

**Executive Roundtable of Indian River County
January 28, 2021 @ 9AM
Virtual via Zoom or In Person
Sebastian City Hall
1225 Main Street
Sebastian, FL 32958**

Minutes

Members Attending in Person: Paul Carlisle, Caryn Toole, Kip Jacoby, Carrie Maynard-Lester, Aimee Hill

Members Attending Via Zoom Dan Acosta, Bob McPartlan, Mara Schiff, Casey Lunceford, Mark Mathes, Kip Jacoby, Keith Touchberry, Michael Kint, David Moore, David Currey, Carrie Lester, Ann Berner, Pedro Bernabe, Barb Schlitt-Ford, Peter O'Bryan, Heather Parker, Nathan Peterson, Kyleigh Savoie, Angelia Perry, Milory Sneat, Casey Lunceford

Guests: Jill Amos, Substance Awareness Center, Christopher Seagrist, DJJ

I. Chairman Carlisle opened the meeting at 9AM

II. Chairman Carlisle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Introductions were made and all were welcomed.

IV. Community Presentations- Carrie Maynard-Lester, Substance Awareness Center-

Carrie Maynard-Lester gave the following presentation: The Substance Awareness Center uses an evidence-based program for life skills. If law enforcement makes the decision to do a civil citation (CC), it goes to their office. They then reach out to the family and schedule an orientation with the family. A prevention assessment tool is used to determine risk and need. At the very least, they all receive the evidence-based curriculum. Also incorporated in the program is yoga, and a community service component which holds the youth accountable and helps them give back to the community. During the program they look at, what are other needs of the family? They connect the family to services that they need. They look at the whole picture.

Jill Amos stated that they really look at connecting with resources. The youth is asked if they are in any activities or if they want to be in any activities. They think outside of the box. Ms. Amos gave an example of a family they helped recently who was connected to many services through their program.

Ms. Maynard-Lester mentioned that when a youth completes the program successfully, they notify LE. If they aren't successful, they also notify LE. They sometimes have to be aggressive with some of the families who don't want to participate or engage. They work really hard with those families to remove barriers. They want every kid to have a chance.

There is a subset of kids who do come to them with a substance abuse disorder. They don't believe that kids need to go through DJJ to get those services. If they don't follow through, it has to go back to LE. At least five times a year or more, a youth will come back to them because they need some kind of background for LE or military, etc. If a CC was given, they don't have to worry about it.

In our circuit, a youth has three chances at a CC. They can commit a misdemeanor act three times and still be eligible for CC. After that, no.

Chairman Carlisle stated that intervention is always the key. He asked about the success rate of the program.

Ms. Maynard-Lester stated that it is between 85% and 90% on successful completion. Between 4 and 6 percent of the youth reoffend.

They do a pretest and posttest on the kids. There is also a comment section. Many of the youth have positive and heartfelt comments. They are really making a difference with some of these kids.

- V. Approval of Minutes (December 10, 2020) – Chairman Carlisle.** Motion to approve by Kip Jacoby with a second by Casey Lunceford. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Treasurer’s Report- Kip Jacoby-** Current balance of \$23,736. Mr. Jacoby gave overview of balance sheet and P&L statement. Motion to approve by Caryn Toole with a second by Carrie Maynard- Lester. Motion passed unanimously.
- VII. Old Business**
- A. Juvenile Justice Update- Nathan Peterson, Christopher Seagrist-** Nathan Peterson mentioned that at the last Roundtable meeting, there were many questions from members. He invited Mr. Christopher Seagrist to explain to the board why we are involved in the CC process.
- Christopher Seagrist- Explained that civil citations are saving the county a huge amount of money. He stated that DJJ is making a point to address racial and ethnical disparities in our county. There was a memorandum of understanding signed by LE and community partners relating to that. As a circuit they are at 43%. There are many counties in the state at 100%.
- Keith Touchberry stated that members are well versed on CC purpose and goals. Stated that the purpose of him speaking was to clarify why the Executive Roundtable is hearing from the DJJ on civil citations. What is our role, by statute? Why do they report to us? He asked Mr. Seagrist to explain to our members why we have DJJ attending the meeting and what is our responsibility?
- Mr. Seagrist responded that the Roundtable is acting as an oversight committee The statute requires an oversight committee.
- Chief Touchberry stated that he was chairman when the Roundtable agreed to be the oversight committee but that many new members may not understand why we hear from DJJ in the first place. Mr. Seagrist stated that they have a great MOU and he looks forward to working with LE.
- B. 2021 5K Update – Chairman Carlisle, Aimee Hill-** Chairman Carlisle stated that we could not have asked for better weather during the 5K. The runners loved the event and the venue. We netted 9,399.79. He thanked everyone for their hard work on the 5K and to the volunteers that helped during the event.

VIII. New Business

- A. Capstone Project – Casey Lunceford-** Mr. Lunceford stated that the Executive Committee met in December. They talked about rebranding and refocusing on our mission. People don’t seem to know what the roundtable does. Mr. Lunceford approached the college with a Capstone project proposal. These are seniors in business who are in their last semester. He stated that he and Executive Director Aimee Hill wrote up a synopsis and the project was accepted. Aimee and Casey met with the team last night and explained what the Roundtable does, etc. The student team will be working with us for the next twelve weeks on ideas, marketing, etc. They may come and spend one of the next meetings talking to members about their options, etc. They will have to present at the end of the class.
- B. Executive Committee Workshop Update – Chairman Carlisle-** Chairman Carlisle stated that during the Executive Committee meeting, one of our challenges discussed has been funding. Commissioner O’Bryan commented about finding philanthropic dollars. The Roundtable has to brand and get this out to reach those people. We have such limited funding. We talked about maintaining 50% reserve in our budget. We need a membership contribution of \$19,500 to do that.

Mrs. Rosario from the school board asked where the members are coming from.

Kip gave overview of the budget he compiled and explained his findings.

Chief Touchberry mentioned that the Roundtable is underrepresented on the barrier island and could focus on getting more members from the barrier island. Chairman Carlisle stated that he will reach out to them again.

Chief Currey stated that it is important for outside donations to keep us afloat. So many members are involved in other committees.

C. Golf Tournament Subcommittee Update – Chairman Carlisle, Aimee Hill

Chairman Carlisle stated that we had a golf tournament subcommittee meeting yesterday. We are working on the flyer and will send out a list of volunteers needed. Will need everyone to step up and get sponsors. It will take all of us to do this.

Kip Jacoby stated that if we could tie this back to the capstone project, we should all develop an elevator pitch.

Carrie Maynard-Lester stated that an elevator pitch would've been helpful at the 5K.

Chairman Carlisle suggested a handout we can work on with the branding.

Chief Touchberry suggested circulating the bylaws to members. Aimee will send out.

IX. Member Matters- None

X. Adjournment- Adjourned at 9:52

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee Hill, Executive Director