

# Dixie County Tobacco-Free Partnership: Quarterly Meeting 9/21/2011

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## ***Attendance:***

Quit Doc Tobacco Prevention Specialist; Quit Doc Policy Manager; Town of Cross City Clerk and Manager; Dixie Chamber President; Dixie Education Foundation leader; Dixie School Board Policy/Facilities Director; High School SWAT Leaders; Family Medical Practice Manager; AHEC Representative; Dixie County Times Reporter/Photographer; Dixie High SWAT Advisor; Dixie High Principal; Pure Water Wilderness representative; Dixie High teaching and guidance staff

## ***Agenda:***

By-Laws, Executive Committee Election, Policy Objectives, SWAT Report, and upcoming outreach opportunities

## ***Meeting:***

Several key items such as the requirement to review partnership by-laws and maintain officers, concentration on 2011-2012 policy objectives, and reporting of what's happened in the last quarter and what is coming up for the next.

## ***Summary:***

The Chairwoman welcomed old members and new guests to the first partnership meeting of the new 2011-2012 fiscal year. New guests included the town's new city manager, a new AHEC representative, Family Medical Practice's new director, and a couple guidance counselors, one who happens to be the spouse of a local tobacco retailer. Old business successes on this past quarter's passage of a candy-flavored tobacco product placement ordinance and school planners with tobacco-free messaging were mentioned. A reminder about the new fiscal year and emphasis on policy change was also shared with the review of by-laws and election of 2011-2012 Executive Committee officers immediately following. The current Chair and Co-Chair maintained their positions and the Executive Committee gained a new Youth Representative in addition to the current officer from last fiscal year. Policy areas and progress on change were specifically explained item by item, particularly for guests so they could know what the purpose of the partnership is. SWAT officers gave their report and several announcements were made about upcoming events for potential partnership participation and policy exposure. These included the county's legislative delegation hearing, a kids' fishing tournament, the annual health walk, the partnership's new section at the public library, and a possible highway clean-up with other community organizations.

## ***Adjourned:***

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07pm.