

Date: Thursday, March 5, 2015
Time: 11:30- 1:00pm
Location: Dixie High School Media Center

Tobacco Free Partnership of Dixie County Meeting

Minutes

I. Welcome Partners & Guests – Jovante Teague Vice-Chair

Everyone introduced themselves and what tobacco policy that is the most important to them.

II. Old Business

A) 2014-15 Fiscal Year – Policy Goals and Objectives (Melanie Anderson)

- i) Flavored Tobacco Products
- ii) Tobacco Advertising at Retail Outlets
- iii) Multi-Unit Housing and Dwelling Places (Including Smoke Free Parks)
- iv) Cessation Services for Employees (Including Smoke Free Grounds)
- v) Tobacco Control in K-12

B) Dixie County Legislative Delegation-Jovante Teague

Several TFP members attended the delegation to highlight the work that is being done in Dixie County. The two local newspapers covered the delegation.

C) DCHS SWAT Glow Run 5k Lindsey Whittington

The run was a great success and over 25 people ran the 5k. They received lots of free earned media that highlighted the need for healthy, tobacco free lives. The SWAT, Partnership and anti-spit tobacco banners were hung up at the football field and still remain where students have to see them.

III. New Business

A) State & County Data from the 2014 Florida Youth Tobacco Survey (FYTS) presentation-Melanie Anderson TPS & SWAT Officers

- a. Presentation to the School Superintendent
- b. Alternative to Suspension program was discussed.
- c. A subcommittee was developed to address this issue and to share with the partnership at the next meeting.

- B) Statewide Study on the attitudes of adult Floridians on tobacco issues that affect children. February 2015 poll conducted by Republic Polling. Melanie Anderson TPS
 - a. City Parks, Jovante Teague shared that the city just reinstated an old policy of no smoking on any city grounds or property. He committed to provide a copy of the policy to the partnership.
 - b. County Parks still needs to be addressed.

- C) SWAT Reports
 - i) Ruth Rains Middle School SWAT Report Richard Whittington
 - ii) Dixie County High School SWAT Report SWAT Youth
- D) National Kick Butts Day 2015, March 19, 2015
 - i) 20th year of National Kick Butts Day
 - ii) Not a Replacement Campaign, the DCHS SWAT will be participating in the Kick Butts Day campaign.