

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015
Time: 11:30- 1:00pm
Location: Dixie High School Media Center

Tobacco Free Partnership of Dixie County Meeting

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome Partners & Guests – Reece Kruggel Youth Representatives

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) Tobacco Free City Parks, Town of Cross City

During the last DCTFP meeting Jovonte suggested that the city already had a policy on smokefree/tobacco free parks. After checking with the Town manager, there is currently no policy on smokefree/tobacco free parks even though they have posted signs that have been stolen or destroyed. It was discussed posting heavy metal signs at the City Parks.

III. New Business

A) New “No Tobacco” Signs at DCHS and Fields.

The partnership shared the need for better, bigger more colorful signs at all ball parks in Dixie County. There also was discussion about placing no tobacco signs at the Little League fields due to complaints from parents. The partnership voted to purchase signs for the high school and for the little league fields after receiving permission from the league manager.

B) SWAT Reports

- i) Ruth Rains Middle School SWAT Report Richard Whittington
RRMS SWAT shared previous SWAT events for Kick Butts Day. They SWAT presented tobacco free facts at a joint Softball and Baseball

Games at the Middle School. Students and fans signed selfie posters to commit to be “Not a Replacement”. RRMS SWAT plan to hold a booth at the Fly in Expo, Cross City Airport, Sat. May 16 to do SWAT recruitment and to educate on smokeless tobacco.

- ii) Dixie County High School SWAT Report SWAT Youth shared the activity that they conducted for Kick Butts Day, through with Chew week and the Great American Spit out. In the month of May, they plan to present to both elementary schools about smokeless tobacco before the summer break.

C) Tobacco Free Florida Week 2015, April 29 – May 1, 2015

- i) Quit & Tell, the Dixie County Tobacco Prevention Specialist shared information about the current campaign and several members shared that they would have their family members who have quit to participate in the website activity.

D) Quit Doc Tobacco Summit, June 26, 2015 Ocala, Fl.

E) StoreAlert Survey 2015 will begin May 1st and the partnership and SWAT students were invited to help complete the form for every retailer in Dixie County. The data from the survey helps build support towards policy change in Dixie County.

F) Partnership Chair and Co-chair for 2015-16

There was discussion about the Chairwoman, Charlotte Lord, is retiring and will step down from the leadership role. Jovante Teague, the current co-chair is interested in stepping up and Mrs. Angie Land said that she was interested in the co-chair position.