

Tobacco Free Partnership of DeSoto

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday August 23, 2016

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Meeting called to order by Jodie DeLoach @ 3:48pm

- Minutes, no concerns, June's meeting minutes approved
- Review of By-laws, no concerns, By-laws approved and signed

TFP Updates

- Jodie met with Judy Wertz-Strickland who is a supporter of TFP. She suggested TFP waits until the election is over before presenting to the City Council
- Considering the use of tobacco butt dispensers in parks to help eliminate butts on the ground
- Jodie continuing to work on Tobacco Free Parks
- Xenia (AHEC) and Jodie will be partnering to work on Tobacco Free Workplace Initiatives within the community

Point of Sale Presentation

- 44 Stores in DeSoto County. TFP will need to assess 33 stores
- Jodie is planned to utilize youth and community members to assist with store assessments. TFP is unsure how this information will be utilized by the State at this time.

SWAT Updates

- Approximately 50 sign-ups @ Back to School Fair
- Working on ideas for more recruiting events and activities
- SWAT Advisor at High School is Kandice Browning, approval received from school for Kandice to hold meetings in her classroom
- Jodie will meet with Dr. Britton in hopes to find an advisor for the Middle School
- Melissa Mendoza (community based advisor) is working on getting a club up and going at San Juan Bosco
- Tentative Recruiting / back to school jam Events: Sept 9th @ DMS and 10/28th @ DMS
- SWAT plans to participate in the Trunk or Treat @ Turner Center

Suggestions: SWAT youth suggested TFP works on a Social media experiment or PSA to involve other youth. Advisors will look further into idea.

Meeting Adjourned