



**Tobacco Free Partnership of
Indian River County**
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Partnership Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 19, 2013

3:00pm - 4:30pm

United Way Community Room, 1836 14th Avenue Vero Beach, FL 32960

Attendance, 18

- Indian River Health Department, *Rose Parker*
- American Cancer Society, *Theresa Woodson*
- IR Medical Center, *Don Magee*
- Indian River County Health Department, *Tina Zayas*
- United Way of IRC, *Doris Butler*
- Treasure Coast Community Health, *Moses Santos*
- Boys & Girls Club, *Angela Astrup*
- Boys & Girls Club, *Keisha Rainey*
- Boys & Girls Club, *Rasheedah Ahmad*
- Boys & Girls Club SWAT Youth: *Claudia, Andrea, Margarita, Alina, Oscar, Gustavo, Domion, and Miguel.*
- Quit Doc Tobacco Prevention Specialist *Leslie Spurlock*

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome & Introductions	Tobacco Prevention Specialist Leslie Spurlock welcomed members.	NA
Old Business Quarter 3 Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie gave partners an update on Quarter 3 Activities that included two meetings with School Health Advisory Council, IRMC Tobacco Free Task Force, attending a NOPE presentation at VB High School, participating in the EOC Health Fair, meetings with two City of Vero Beach officials, meeting with staff from the Homeless Family Center and interviews for Employee Cessation with Mr. Small Move and IRMC. Tobacco CFT Presentations were made at Vero Beach and Indian River Exchange Clubs, the Antique Car Club, and outreach was made to parents at the “Roller Coaster Years” Parent Academy night in January. Activities for the work plan are being completed. • No update for SWAT was made at this meeting. 	A copy of the work plan will be sent to Tina Zayas per request.
New Business Rick Bender Video & Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Bender <i>Through with Chew</i> video was shown to foster discussion on candy flavored tobacco among the adults and SWAT students. <p>Ten SWAT youth from Fellsmere’s Boys & Girls Club were</p>	The TPS will attend the Harlem Ambassadors basketball game for NAMI at Sebastian River High School this month to distribute

<p>Fellsmere SWAT Youth Through with Chew Activity & Discussion</p>	<p>present. The children reported seeing candy flavored tobacco at convenience and food shops in Fellsmere. Some shops keep tobacco on the counter. Students have seen others steal the tobacco because of this easy access. The County’s ordinance specifies all tobacco is kept behind a counter where an employee must touch it prior to purchase.</p> <p>A high school SWAT member stated smoking is evident at Sebastian River High School where smoke can be smelled next to student bathrooms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth from the Fellsmere Boys & Girls Club SWAT Club engaged adults in a Through with Chew Activity discussing “Why I’m tobacco free...” The kids were paired into five teams. Each team demonstrated on large sheets of paper using phrases and pictures why they are tobacco free. As a result of two days of preparation for this activity, Fellsmere SWAT club members have a new slogan - <i>Tobacco Free is the Way to Be!</i> 	<p>candy flavored tobacco information to parents and make Quit materials available.</p> <p>TPS will contact the County Sheriff’s Officer Darin Jones and City Officer Megan Dewitt for a meeting regarding smoking on campus and tobacco control surveillance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reasons these young people were tobacco free: 1.They valued their freedom; specifically freedom from addiction. 2. They valued their health and understood the effects tobacco could have on them. 3. Tobacco is more than a drug, it’s a habit. 4. It can start as a habit and then become a total lifestyle. 5. The end of a tobacco lifestyle is death; an early end of life.
<p>Items from Floor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fellsmere SWAT members received a round of applause and were thanked by everyone. The meeting adjourned at 4:30pm. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NA