



## Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Location: Mrs. Marty's Deli, Media, PA

Attendees: Bonnie Breit (Chairperson); Karen Russell (RMH); Deb Mantegna (RMH); Aqeel Dix (HPC); Katee Yorke (HPC); Jessica Scott (HBHS); Kara Chivalette (BMH) Maura Haslam (ALA); Dave and Beth Mullen (Community Members); Sarah Tegtmeyer (HBHS – NEW); and Aria Burgess (HBHS)

### I. Smoke-free PA

- Coalition members were all very happy to see the new Clean Air legislation was passed.
- It was agreed that the Coalition would send thank you letters to legislators.

### II. Summer Events

- B. Breit explained to the Coalition that new signage (No Smoking Children Playing) is now available to be placed in playgrounds, parks, etc. in Delaware County.

### III. RFP Update

- B. Breit explained the RFP process to the Coalition members.
- B. Breit stated that because of the new Clean Air legislation, the Coalition would now target parks, bars, and outdoor recreation facilities to become smoke-free and that this was stated in the RFP.

### IV. Outside Parks

- R. Mullen informed the Coalition that she contacted the CEO of Crozer about the Board of Parks and Recreation.
- It was suggested that B. Breit contact the Chairman to obtain a list of the board members to be sent out to Coalition members.

### V. Smoke-free Homes and Cars

- K. Yorke suggested that the Coalition should push for Police, EMT's, firemen, etc. to not smoke in uniform.

### VI. Negative E-mail

- An e-mail was written regarding the cessation program and the limited amount of nicotine patches.
- K. Russell emailed the unknown sender back and asked them to speak to her about it. As of yet, there has been no response.

### VII. Fire Prevention Outreach

- K. Chivalette will be assisting in finding a fire chief for October Fire prevention month.
- Main concern: Children seeing more adults smoking on the street because of new legislation.

### VIII. Comcast Newsmakers

- B. Breit informed the Coalition that a local student will be making an appearance on show sometime between mid-June to mid-July to speak about the April clean-up. The show will be aired in August.
- Idea for next show: Get police officer (in uniform) from Upper Darby to talk about their smoke-free establishment.

### IX. Updated Brochures

- B. Breit gave out the new brochures and asked Coalition members to try to think of different slogan for the bottom of the front page. Current slogan says "Want to quit? Let us help!"

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### **X. Brandywine Restaurants**

- B. Breit explained that she had spoken to Tori Fiori, who is part of the Brandywine Visitors Bureau, and that the Coalition was going to target restaurants but because of the new legislation, is now going to target bars to go smoke-free.

### **XI. Tobacco Provider Mailings**

- To be sent out within the next 2 weeks. A. Dix is going to provide 600 brochures for the mailings.

### **XII. AHEC Training**

- K. Yorke attended this training and spoke about it. It focused on oral health and pregnant women. Materials used in this program can be ordered in large quantities.
- K Chivalette may be offering this at BMH.

### **XII. Community Updates**

- K. Russell: Informed the Coalition that an organization, Media Place, wanted to provide a cessation program for its employees. She is preparing a one hour informational session on TSP before the cessation class and offered the idea to incorporate with other programs. K. Russell also informed the Coalition that she attended the PA-SWAT summit at the end of May and they defined their goals and initiatives for the next year. She also spoke about the July 2 event that the PA-SWAT and BUSTED! students will be participating with in Philadelphia, PA for Independence from Tobacco Day.
- M. Haslam: The ALA was excited to see the Clean Air legislation passed in PA. She will continue to do tobacco prevention programs with camps this summer. She also reported that she still has \$100 grants for any TATU programs.
- K. Yorke: will be working on all the RFP's!
- J.Scott: Introduced Sarah, the new BUSTED! person.
- A. Dix: Excited to report that sales to minors in Delaware County are now down to below 10%. At one point, it was at 29% - one of the highest in PA – so this is a great achievement.
- D. Mantegna: Reported that Riddle has been smoke-free since May and is making significant progress.
- K. Chivalette: Reported that BMH will be running another round of the Chantix programs. She also spoke about going to camps this summer with the new age software. BMH has set dates for the summer cessation programs.
- D. & R. Mullen: Want to work with Knights of Columbus to go to Councils of Delaware County to push smoke-free homes and cars. They are also thinking about targeting unions as well.

### **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, July 10, 2008 9:30 a.m. at HBHS (Media)

### **Future meeting dates:**

Tuesday, August 19, 2008 9:30 a.m. at HBHS (Media)

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*Minutes Submitted, Typed & Edited: Aria Burgess, Secretary.*