



**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 13, 2011**  
**3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Palm City Boys & Girls Club**



<b>Attendance</b>	<u>Adults:</u> Maureen Ryan, MCHD;, Dr. Barry Hummel, Quit Doc Research & Education Foundation Valerie Graham, TPSMC,; Marilyn Leeds, EAHED; Rob Raneiri, Keep Martin Beautiful; Maureen Robertson, Martin Memorial Hospital; Robin Vanover , School District; Jim Vojcsik, United Way Martin County, Darcy Flierl, Project Northland; Genaris Haston, SWAT, Mike Sancho, Boys & Girls Club, Charlie Nail, ACS, Russ Buhl, Citizen, Jill Sheppell, Shared Services Network <u>SWAT Youth:</u> Giovanni Sancho, Aalyha Darville, Kashia Darville, Dana
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<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	<u>Self Introductions-</u> Valerie Graham, the Tobacco Prevention Specialist for Martin County, facilitated the meeting and asked everyone to state their name, organization, and briefly state what they can contribute, or have to gain from, being on the Tobacco Free Partnership (TFP).	
<b>Items for Approval</b>	<u>Overview of May 2011 Annual Meeting; Quarter 1 of FY 2012 Budget Report-</u> Motion to approve made by Robyn Vanover, Seconded by Mike Sancho	Approved Unanimously
	<u>Bylaws &amp; 2012 Bylaw Charter-</u> Motion to approve made by Darcy Flierl, Seconded by Charlie Nail	Approved Unanimously
	<u>S.M.A.R.T. Objective Strategic Plans for FT 2012-</u> Motion to approve made by Jim Vojcsik, seconded by Jill Sheppell. Tobacco Prevention Specialist, Valerie Graham, was commended for her work on this project and for coordinating the input of numerous partnership members, and community partners, to complete each strategic plan. Chairpersons responsible for each strategic plan signed their documents at this meeting.	Approved Unanimously

<b>Community Partner Updates on Tobacco Prevention Initiatives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Shared Services Network- will be kicking off new campaign called “Be the Influence” at the Veterans Day Ceremonies. This campaign will highlight that every community member has a responsibility to think about what influence they are having on the youth they come in contact with. A tobacco prevention message is incorporated into the campaign materials.</li> <li>○ Keep Martin Beautiful- SWAT youth presented before the County Commissioners and were successful in getting “No Tobacco Zone” signs posted in every county-owned beach and park. These signs will help to cut down on tobacco trash and protect children from secondhand smoke.</li> <li>○ Project Northland- The tobacco/alcohol advocacy component is being developed and will be incorporated into the enforcement of the new K-12 model tobacco policy once that gets in to place.</li> <li>○ Quit Smoking Now &amp; Quit to Get Fit Cessation Programs- cessation referrals are increasing and numerous classes are being provided throughout the community by Martin Memorial Health Systems Wellness/Health Department; AHEC provides the cessation</li> </ul>	To get more information or enroll visit the MMHS or EAHEC websites
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<p><b>Legislative Priorities</b></p>	<p>facilitator training for both programs and also has CME/CEU programs available for medical professionals. A new program called “Tools to Quit” is being offered- this is a 1-1.5 hour class session that includes all of the supplies and information a person needs to successfully quit using tobacco products.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SWAT Facilitators have been asked to provide names of interested youth to serve on the TFP Advisory Committee.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SWAT youth from the Boys and Girls club are going before the County Commissioners on on September 27 asking for a Resolution to repeal/amend the FCIAA preemption clause.</li> <li>○ SWAT youth from Martin County High School are going before the County Commissioners on September 27 asking for a Resolution to restrict or ban the sale of candy flavored tobacco products.</li> <li>○ One of the SWAT Advisory Council Members is speaking before the Martin County Legislative Delegation on community-based tobacco prevention programs and SWAT initiatives in Martin County.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Martin County Health Department has a new Executive Director who is scheduled to meet with members of the TFP and SWAT to discuss ways that the county health department can be involved in community-based tobacco prevention efforts.</li> <li>○ “Mapping the Middle” – this was a prevention workshop offered to parents and caregivers that addressed youth high-risk behaviors such as tobacco/substance abuse. The workshop was well attended and more parenting events like this are being schedule.</li> </ul> <p>Martin County Legislative Delegation, September 30, 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Hummel is on the agenda to speak on legislation needed to restrict the sale of candy-flavored tobacco products, the repeal of the FCIAA preemption clause, and information on the tax loophole regarding various tobacco products</li> <li>○ A Youth Representative of the TFP/SWAT will speak on the importance of community-based tobacco prevention programs such as SWAT and the Tobacco Free Partnership,</li> <li>○ The Martin County Board of County Commissioners has adopted the repeal of the FCIAA preemption clause, restriction on candy flavored tobacco, and closing the loophole on tobacco excise tax as three of their legislative priorities for this year.</li> <li>○ The Treasure Coast Advocacy Coalition has adopted the repeal of the FCIAA preemption clause and restriction on candy flavored tobacco as two of their top Legislative priorities for this year.</li> </ul>	<p>Links to the presentations and information on the results will be posted at <a href="http://www.tfp-martin.org">www.tfp-martin.org</a></p> <p>Tobacco Prevention staff are meeting with the new MCHD director</p> <p>Issue papers and talking points for each of these legislative priorities will be posted at <a href="http://www.tfp-martin.org">www.tfp-martin.org</a></p> <p>The Partnership will continue to track these issues through the legislative session.</p>
<p><b>SWAT Presentation</b></p>	<p>Youth from SWAT presented on their recent efforts to get “No Tobacco Zone” signage in county-owned beaches and parks. They also informed the partnership regarding their upcoming opportunities to ask for Resolutions on the FCIAA preemption clause and candy flavored tobacco and that they are on the agenda to speak at the Legislative Delegation workshop. This presentation was formatted as a panel-type discussion allowing members of the partnership to ask questions and interact with the youth. Feedback from both youth adults was very positive!</p>	<p>Each month the Tobacco Free Partnership of Martin County has SWAT clubs host the meetings to ensure that youth and adults have a chance to interact.</p>