



Tobacco-Free Partnership Meeting Notes

Thursday, May 24, 2018 • 10:00-11:00am • Kings County Health Dept. Auditorium

Attendees: Muriel Gobeia, Cristhian Ibanez, Jackie Johnson, Julie LeFils, Richard Perez, Victoria Sandoval, Dr. Teske, Dulce Velazquez, Melissa Wescoat, Keith Winkler

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Minutes: The group reviewed the April meeting minutes. Motion to approve, Julie LeFils, second, Richard Perez, motion carried.
- III. REACT Update:
 - The litter clean up event in Corcoran went very well. They collected 700-800 cigarette butts.
 - They are currently taking applications for this year's Youth Leadership Summit to be held June 19th – 22nd.
 - They are looking for meetings or workshops to conduct presentations.
- IV. Kings County Tobacco Control Program
 - Cristhian Ibanez introduced himself as the new Health Educator with the Tobacco Control Program.
- V. Legislative Updates: None to report
- VI. Other New Business:
 - Richard stated that JUUL is being marketed as a flavored tobacco alternative. Sometimes there is THC found in them. Westcare reports local businesses (mostly smoke shops and the mom & pop stores) that sell JUUL to the police. Businesses face fines, their product is confiscated, and they can be shut down. It is against the law for these products to be marketed to children. Dr. Teske recommended finding out what businesses have been fined and writing an article for the Hanford Sentinel & other media sources to make the community aware and discourage other businesses from doing the same.
 - Richard will present on JUUL, how to identify vaping tools, oils, edibles, etc. at our June 28th meeting.
- VII. Roundtable
 - Westcare has 38 youth graduating on June 6th at 5pm at the Fresno Fox Theater
 - KPFP Annual Meeting – Thursday, June 21st from 12-2pm at Lemoore Civic Auditorium

- Julie asked those in attendance to check out kpfp.org to make sure their organization is listed under Local Organizations and to email herself or Melissa with any updates or to list their organization.
- California Health Collaborative has received new grants to work with the Hispanic and Asian communities in Kings, Tulare, and Kern counties.
- Victoria stated that she represents TUPE and is interested in collaborating with the Tobacco-Free Partnership.

Upcoming Meetings:

June 28, 2018 Westcare Presentation	July 26, 2018 Goals & Objectives
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