



**Drug Free DeSoto Task Force  
Board Chambers  
May 6, 2009**

**Attendees:** Superintendent Cline, Bristol, Story, Yost, Hrstka, Dubbert, Schlabach, Bremer, John Million, Jennifer Goodwin, Pella, Bonville, Harms, Keen, Goodman, Barnwell

Welcome to John Million and Jennifer Goodwin

**Step Up to a Drug Free DeSoto Award Presentation: Allyson Harms**

- Chamber Early Bird Breakfast 5.7.09
- DeSoto County Health Department 8:00 a.m.
- Award presented to West Elementary for most money raised

**Back to School Health and Safety Fair:**

- DCHS Gym
- July 18, 2009
- Community reminder: If you are coming as a vendor remember what you are there for; youth and child related items only.

**Youth Activities Report: Director Dubbert**

- Flyer for approval; advertising to begin
- Event August 15, 2009
- Volunteers needed: Advise Director Dubbert or Cathy Miller
- Flyer modification: Add DECC
- This is not an event for graduates to come back; rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders participate in high school events and rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders participate in middle school events.
- See graduates for additional help
- Jason Story movie selection

**Gang Activity Report:**

- No Report

## **DFD Task Force member Report:**

### **Director Dubbert**

- NCLB conference attended by Mr. Dubbert, Mrs. Halvorson, Mrs. Yost
- Grant provides safe and drug free services and programs for students
- Services provided are: Too Good for Drugs, Cyber Bullying, Life Skills, Homeless
- Looking at some bullying poster to be provided to each school
- Principal Bremer requested the previous speaker for cyber bullying
- Book on bullying for DMS & DCHS
- Mrs. Yost will look into for next year

### **Director Hrstka**

- Facilities is ready to assist

### **Jason Story**

- DCHS has two popcorn poppers available for the movie day
- Jason sending a letter to Wal-Mart distribution, Coke, & Tropicana for donations
- Rebecca Yager from Wal-Mart Distribution Center will do what they can; items cannot be sold

### **Dottie Yost**

- HOSA going to nationals in June 2009

### **Danyiell Bonville**

- TPPA: last DMS session completed today
- One more session at DCHS
- May 18, 2009, Winn Dixie donating hot dogs
- Women's Club will make desserts
- SFCC Panthers' Camp
- Be the Wall: DFD to participate next year
- Geared towards the adults to sign the bricks to keep the students from drinking
- Town Hall meetings to speak to all parents of all ages
- Deputy to speak, mental health, prevention professionals to speak
- Targeted stores to post the bricks
- Contact person: Debbie Lees Highlands Sheriffs Dept. Dottie Yost to make contact.

### **Karen Pella**

- West is here to assist in raising money

### **John Million**

- No Drug Abuse program at DCHS; one session remaining
- Survey results for DCHS Students out soon
- Cameras were donated to SADD chapter

- Director Dubbert will contact Principal Terry. Excellent partnership; great things for the school district.

**Dr. Goodman**

- Continuing to educate the students at DECC about drugs
- Pre-K students tell everything they see at home

**Allyson Harms**

- Rewrote tobacco grant one year ahead
- SWAT will be in DMS next year
- SWAT sponsored the DJ for Project Graduation
- \$28,000.00 raised at the dinner
- Every senior will receive a monetary gift, that stays until the end
- Come as a pair, leave as a pair

**Praise Reports:**

- Karen Pella: Do the Right Thing recipient from WES was a wonderful push

**Allyson Harms**

- After a visit to LaBelle; DeSoto is blessed

**Dottie Yost**

- Assisted Mrs. Goodman with DCHS students to Orlando; excellent behavior

**Principal Bremer**

- DMS Show Choirs boys and girls in Orlando Excellent Ratings and First Place for the boys.
- Superior for the girls.

**Superintendent Cline**

- Commented that we focus on the negative too often; we are blessed with the students we have here in DeSoto
- Student Schlabach full scholarship to SFCC

**Next meeting: August 5, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.**