

## Tobacco Coalition Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2014

A Tobacco Coalition meeting was convened on January 15, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the Paris Room of the Martin Luther King, Jr., University Union, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois. Rachel Hille, Substance Abuse Education Coordinator, presided.

Attendees: LaCretia Brazzleton, Health Studies/Coles County Health Department; LeeAnn Bryant, Coles County Health Department; Dr. Gary Bulla, Biological Sciences; Don Dawson, Gateway Program; Dan Deeken, EIU-EHS-Safety Officer; Brittany Doose, HERC; Rachel Hille,HERC; Amanda Harvey, HERC; Laura Humphreys, HERC/IHEC; Kelsey Merritt, HERC

### **Progress on Proposal**

Rachel Hille shared the final version of the proposal with those present. Amanda Harvey passed this to each member for review and signature. She informed the coalition that once all the required signatures are acquired it will be forwarded on to Dr. Nadler for review. Amanda will keep the coalition posted on the progress.

### **New Business**

Amanda asked members if window clings near entrances/exits reminding smokers about staying 15 feet from the door while smoking is something the coalition would support. Lee Ann Bryant said that the Coles County Health Department would provide these to campus free of charge. Amanda will check how to proceed with placing these in each building on campus.

Lee Ann also shared information about the Baby & Me Tobacco Free program the health department offers to expecting and new mothers. Brochures for this program are available at the HERC office. In addition to these brochures, she also offered informative handbills about the official health marketplace for Get Covered Illinois. These too are now available at the HERC.

### **HERC events**

Amanda discussed spring efforts in the HERC. There are plans to have more tabling, social marketing, and general information on tobacco cessation, in addition to other topics. The Safer Spring Break Fair will take place on March 4<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 3pm in the University Ballroom.

### **Next Meeting**

The next scheduled coalition meeting will take place February 19, 2014 at 11 a.m. in the Paris Room of the MLK, Jr. University Union.