

**Together For Jackson County Kids  
Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 5th, 2009, 10am**

**Jackson County Health & Human Services Office, Conference Rm. Main A**

**Present:** Monica Lobenstein (UWEX), Kristi Hanson (DHHS), Karla Gearing (DHHS), Brody Bayus (VISTA), Sara Sexton (VISTA), Lisa Hodge (DFC)

Meeting was called to order at 10am. Leadership Team members discussed all issues on the agenda. Minutes from the previous LT meeting were approved.

**Introductions:** Sara Sexton and Brody Bayus were introduced and welcomed to the group. They are the new VISTAS hired to work with 4-H and TFJCK.

**Quarterly Meeting Date/Place/Time/Topic-** Leadership team decided at this meeting that the next quarterly meeting would take place sometime in October, centered around Red Ribbon Week (Oct.23-31) and Homecoming week (Oct.5-9). Brody and Sara suggested also hosting a mock crash and having someone dressed at the Grim Reaper pull kids from class at the rate people die from Drunk Driving crashes in the US.

**Backstrom's Speaking Event** – The Backstrom's will be here on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, in ACHM. We are working on getting them at the BRF High School on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and then in the evening that same day at the Lunda Center. TFJCK will pay there travel expenses including hotel, meals, mileage, etc. Heavy advertising will be done before the events. Each event takes approximately 50 minutes.

**End of year spend down-** at this meeting we discussed some of the things that we could purchase during the spend down process...

5000 wrist bands showing 21 yrs of age at events serving alcohol, more Clickers, baby Co2 monitor, Lisa will ask SAMHSA about setting aside money for next VISTA, and Karla will forward information about suicide prevention materials. If there are other ideas for spend down, let Lisa know.

**Strengthening Families Follow-up-** Kate was not at this meeting, but the last round of SF was a success. We are planning another round of sessions for after school starts.

**GR8 SK8-** was a success! With over 50 kids in attendance and many, many others in the audience, we were busy. The t-shirts give away went very well, along with the trophies, medals, and door prized so kindly collected by Michelle and Karla.

**Meeting topics for LT in September** – Spend down, Backstroms, RRW, Homecoming, quarterly meeting in October

**Miscellaneous-**

- Patrick Guarino leaving Boys & Girls Club/LT, we will need to fill his spot on LT when we vote in November.
- Fun Night planned by Suzanne had no youth but she is going to try one more time.
- Fair booth follow-up- TFJCK had a booth at the fair. We handed out information about CMCA, the coalition, and suicide. We also administered the Jackson County Crisis Intervention Surveys (93) for the Crisis Intervention Committee.

**The next Leadership Team meeting –**

**Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, 10am, DHHS Building**

Meeting adjourned at 11am

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Hodge