

**Together For Jackson County Kids  
Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 2nd, 2009, 10am  
Jackson County Health & Human Services Office, Conference Rm. Main A**

**Present:** Monica Lobenstein (UWEX), Kristi Hanson (DHHS), Beth Smetana (DHHS), Michelle Schoolcraft (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.

**Backstroms-** Dates were chosen at this meeting for re-scheduling the Backstrom speaking event. January 28/29 and February 4/5. Lisa will contact the Backstroms and BRF high school. Kristi will contact ACHM high school. Everyone will be contacted once a date and time have been scheduled.

**R5 (partnering with FCCLA students to bring this event to our schools –** Brody has been in contact with Tina Gilbertson, BRF FCCLA advisor, to bring the R5 motivational speaking event to BRF and possibly ACHM. *R5 has developed one of the most powerful and effective youth presentations in the country. R5 has a unique ability to communicate on many different issues facing your student body in a one-hour school assembly. R5 has a multi-layered presentation that uses drama, video, music and powerful motivational speaking. Though R5 touches on such subjects as drug and alcohol abuse and a right choices message, the main focus of an R5 presentation is that every student has a story and is entitled to respect. Bullying and social profiling are doing more damage to the morale of public schools more than ever before. R5 will paint a picture for your student body of what it is like to walk a mile in another person's shoes.* Lisa will check with SAMHSA to see if we can use DFC money to help pay for these events. The schools have a small amount of AODA money to use towards the cost also. We will also see if we can use a portion of the money from the DHHS Meth Grant.

**By-laws and voting, LT recruitment-** According to the TFJCK by-laws, it is time to vote new members to the Leadership Team. Lisa will contact Mara from BG Club and see if she would be willing to sit on LT temporarily, until a new Executive Director is hired. We will also do some recruitment activities during the next TFJCK quarterly meeting to build capacity for LT and membership. Lisa will send invitations for the meeting to specific community, business, and organization members such as Kathy R, Eric E, Mara, Mark M, HCN-Ian, etc. Beth Smetana has a student coming to DHHS in January who may also be willing to get involved while she is here.

**New grant applications will be due on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, gather new data-** Lisa will begin work on the next grant continuation application. We will need to do an updated Community Assessment and complete the next YRBS process. Letters will be sent to school Administrators in Jackson County for permission to administer the survey once again to students. Monica and Lisa will meet to work on YRBS letters and questions for the surveys.

**Next Quarterly meeting-** It was decided at this meeting that the next TFJCK quarterly meeting will take place on **Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 12pm, at UWEX**. We will do recruitment activities, grant planning, and lunch will be served. Lisa will send invites and notices.

**Meeting topics for LT in November –**TFJCK quarterly meeting, R5, Backstroms, DFC continuation

**Miscellaneous-**

- **The DHHS Meth Grant must be spent or invoiced by Dec.31<sup>st</sup>, 2009**

**The next Leadership Team meetings –  
Wednesday, January 6th, 2010, 10am, DHHS Building**

Meeting adjourned at 11am  
Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Hodge