Tobacco Task Force Minutes

Meeting 2/7/2011

Meeting commenced at 3 pm

Sara Aierstuck and Dawn Ellinwood both introduce their charges.

Brief discussion on parent participation

Transparency-important will be part of the force. Will minutes be posted on Daily Digest, maybe Health Service Website, or Community Health Collaborative website? The idea for a parent blog was raised, closed blog which only parents of Hampshire students have access to.

Do we want to invite people to email question and concerns to bring voices from community in? These responses will be taken into consideration but individual email responses will not be written.

Give access to community members (students, staff, faculty, & parents) through a login. To be discussed with Family Relations on how to make this possible.

Overview of agenda.

The packet of information distributed at the meeting leans toward the idea of a smoke free campus- not necessarily intentional.

Packet contents:

Enforcing an Outdoor Smoking Ban on a College Campus Effect of a Multicomponent Approach.pdf application/pdf 551.85 KB

Frequently_Asked_Questions_Tobacco_Free_Campus.pdf application/pdf 29.92 KB

Hamp-smoking data.doc application/msword 63.72 KB

smoke-freecolleges.pdf application/pdf 142.98 KB

Position Statement on Tobacco_Sep2009.pdf application/pdf 164.03 KB

Selected College Tobacco Policies.doc application/msword 60.30 KB

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Linda Mollison gives a brief history of smoking on Hampshire campus.

Fall 2004-05 smoke free and smoking rooms were designated. Dining commons decided to go smoke-free. Smokers were very upset.

A registration for smokers in their mod request process was introduced. It didn't work great because some smokers wanted to live with non-smokers and vice versa.

Today- there is still a smoking population present on campuses who "feel they have the right to smoke where they choose."

Substance free was always a great alternative living situation for those who did not want to be around substances, people are now requesting this designation to avoid smoke.

Nancy Apple spoke on the laws which dictated smoking practices.

1998- Amherst passes 1st smoking by-laws.

1999- Hampshire passes 1st smoke-free policy- smoke free workplace. Staff and Faculty could no longer smoke inside.

2009- All smoking must take place 25 ft from buildings.

Jessica Gifford reviewed smoking data provided in packet.

The committee spoke about where to go next.

Enforcing policies already in place?

New smoking policy?

A major problem agreed upon was smoking indoors- primarily in the dorms and mods.

Next meeting is 3/7/2011-speak about indoor smoking.