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University-Wide Tobacco-Free Town Hall

Murray State University

January 21, 2015

3:30 p.m.

Wrather Museum Auditorium

History

- Kentucky Governor Beshear issued an Executive Order for Commonwealth buildings, grounds and fleet to become tobacco-free on November 20, 2014.
- A Presidential Task Force, in concert with the University Insurance and Benefits Committee, provided options for Board of Regents' (BOR) consideration.
 - Survey of campus
 - Survey of Faculty Senate, Staff Congress and Student Government
- BOR voted on December 4 for Murray State to become tobacco-free during 2015.

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Our Focus

- Murray State University joins with 1,014 universities to move to a tobacco-free university.
- The plan is for Murray State owned and leased property to become tobacco-free in August 2015.
- This presents an opportunity for us to promote a healthy environment and life style.

Tobacco Free Implementation Steering Committee

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Key Points

- Healthy Environment
- Clear definitions of tobacco, tobacco-like products and smoking
- Use of tobacco/tobacco-like products prohibited on all property owned, operated, leased, occupied or controlled by the University
- Promotion of available cessation services
- Application to all Murray State University regional and local campus locations

Key Points (Continued)

- Allows for Exemptions and Special Circumstances
 - controlled research, religious ceremonies, theatrical performances (with prior administrative approval)
 - Property owned by Murray State Foundation
 - Presidential exemptions for SPECIFIC places and purposes

Policy Management

- Proposed Effective Date: August 5, 2015
- Management Process:
Goal is to be informative and helpful; not punitive
 - Employee reported to supervisor and/or HR
 - Student reported to Office of Student Affairs
 - Visitor reported to Murray State employee with authority to handle the situation
 - No reprisals against reporting party (Success of policy depends on cooperation and consideration of all members of Murray State community.)
 - Violations of policy to follow process in Student Life Policies, Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual or other regulations/policies

Important Items



- Communication, Communication, Communication
 - Signage
 - Faculty, Staff, Students and Visitors
 - Publications, Announcements at events, etc.
- Education
- Resources for Cessation

Feedback and Time Frame

- Comments and Suggestions to any member of the Steering Committee OR to the President directly by January 30, 2015
- Feedback by Steering Committee and final advice to the President by February 6, 2015
- Policy draft sent to Board of Regents and University by February 13, 2015
- Board of Regents will vote on the policy at the February 27th meeting

Questions/Comments

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Murray State University will soon join over 1,014 other universities and colleges by becoming a tobacco-free university.

Thank you for supporting our effort for a healthy environment.