

**NORTH ALABAMA HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2017**

Present: Berniece Andrus, Lynette Bellomy, Lynn Caffery, Shelia Champion, Valerie Fowler, Denise Johnson, Garry Johnson, Jennifer Borba-Lindsey, Alexis Lindsey, Tosha Malone, Pat McCay, James Perkins, David Pinkleton, Lisa Rhodes, Spencer Schneider, Linda Snead, Rick Tate, Jonathon Ware, and Sandra Watts.

1. WELCOME

- Introductions were made around the room with a special welcome to new members and visitors.

2. Treasurer's Report was given by Pat McCay. Current Balance is \$4,221.79. There are some outstanding expenses that need to be reimbursed for film screening and printing. Donations from the film screening of \$60.00 (less the cost of the bottled water (\$12.00) paid to Kay West).

3. Meeting Minutes for July 11, 2017 were approved as distributed.

4. Rummage Sale for Tennessee Valley Services

- Update and flyers were distributed. The group was asked that donations be brought to Trinity United Methodist Church on August 10 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The sale will be held on Friday, August 11 from 8:00 to 6:00 and Saturday, August 12 from 8:00 to 10:00 with a live auction to follow from 10:01 until all items are purchased.

5. Eight Days" Film Screening- Rick Tate, Chair

- The task force sponsored the film screening of "8 Days" on July 20, 2017, at Trinity United Methodist Church from 6-8 p.m. to raise awareness in the community. No admission was charged, but donations were welcomed.
- Thank you to the volunteers (Tosha Malone, Kay West, Kathy Abalos, Kay Tate; everyone who helped with the booth (Set-up and clean-up), handouts, greeters, and getting snacks. A BIG THANK YOU to Rick Tate for chairing this event. Attorney General Steve Mitchell spoke at the event. "Eight Days" will be shown at Athens State on September 15.

6. Blue Campaign Videos- Pat McCay

- Two videos were viewed at the meeting: one was about truck stops and the other School Recruitment. These videos, part of Homeland Security's Blue Campaign, are part of the task force's ongoing in-service training efforts.

7. Training Coordinator – Rick Tate

- A listing of all upcoming training and speaking engagements was distributed to task force attendees.
- All speaking and training requests should be directed to Rick.
- We will continue in-service training on both sex trafficking and labor trafficking at task force meetings.

8. Community Awareness for Youth (CAFY) – David Pinkleton

- We had a lot of people stopping by the booth on Saturday, July 29, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A large number of brochures and other materials and task force bracelets were distributed to the CAFY attendees who were mostly young people.
- Thank you to Lisa Rhodes, Tosha Malone and David Pinkleton for volunteering to be there on Saturday.

9. Speakers Bureau – Pat McCay and Rick Tate

- We have several task force members who have been working very hard getting trained to participate as a community speaker in the Speaker's Bureau. Training was held on January 20, May 9, May 11, August 26, and August 28 this year. Currently, we have 8 individuals who are ready to do presentations with Rick or myself there as moral support. They have all done a GREAT JOB!

10. Other Upcoming Events – Pat McCray

- January Awareness Event – Kay West, Chair
- In the Fall – Labor Trafficking Event – We will need a Chair for this event.

11. New Business? None

Next Meeting: September 5, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. at the National Children's Advocacy Center.

The meeting Adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Snead, Task Force Secretary