

School Health Advisory Council
Administration Board Room
October 19, 2016
4:00 p.m.
Minutes

SHAC Chairman John Hudson welcomed members to the first meeting of the 2016-17 school year. Seventeen SHAC members were present for the meeting. Mr. Hudson thanked all the members for their willingness to serve the community and school district by participating on the council. Members were informed that there would be at least four meetings throughout the year and more if needed. New student members Natalie Aviles and Jennifer Torres were introduced to the other SHAC members.

School nurses Angela Springer and Amanda Franks gave a nurse's report. Ms. Springer said it has been an uneventful beginning to the school year at the Primary and Elementary campuses with just a few cases of fever, lice, and strep. Ms. Franks reported one confirmed case of influenza so far this year as well as a few cases of strep, lice, and impetigo. Ms. Franks reported numerous cases of stomach virus. Dr. Boles confirmed similar results at the clinic this fall. Mr. Hudson gave a brief update on the Zika outbreak in Florida and the efforts to control cases in the Houston area. The area of the outbreak in Florida is spreading and pregnant women have been advised to not visit the area. Mr. Hudson said some good news on the Zika front is that Congress has finally after two years of political wrangling decided to spend some funds to help combat the Zika outbreak in this country. Mr. Hudson said more cases of West Nile virus are appearing in Texas at this time, particularly in the metroplex area. Occurrences of both diseases should subside somewhat as colder weather reduces mosquito activity this winter.

SHAC members discussed updating the Wellness Policy. Mr. Hudson and Mr. Lenamon presented a copy of new federal guidelines issued this fall for implementation by school districts into their Wellness Policy. Mr. Hudson pointed out some of the new requirements in the guidelines including public involvement and notification, triennial assessments, and recordkeeping. SHAC members discussed the new FFA(LOCAL) template concerning the Wellness Policy. Mr. Hudson said the proposed FFA(LOCAL) incorporates the new federal guidelines and is also modeled on the FFA(LOCAL) that was recommended by the SHAC last school year and approved by the board in June. Dr. Boles asked what the letters FFA stood for in the proposed policy FFA(LOCAL). Mr. Hudson explained that board policy is divided into categories labeled A through F with each letter representing governance policies of a certain part of school operations. Policies within each category are alphabetized usually with 3 or 4 letter call names. Mr. Hudson also explained to the SHAC members the difference between legal and local policy. Following discussion, Tonya Burgess made a motion to recommend the proposed FFA(LOCAL) to the school board for adoption. Charles Mooney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SHAC members reviewed a template from TASB that could be used to develop a Wellness Plan based upon adoption of a new policy. Members were asked to consider goals, objectives, action plans, and possible obstacles for the plan. Mr. Hudson said he would work on the template of the plan and submit it to members for consideration and input. Another SHAC meeting will be called to develop the plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.