



School Health Advisory Council Meeting # 3 Minutes  
Meeting start time – 4:07 p.m.

**Opening Statements:**

- Meeting called to order by Teresa; Amanda, Chair unable to attend.
- Prior meeting minutes reviewed and approved.
- Pending SHAC items discussed:
  - Vice-Chair position: During the next meeting, a new Vice-Chair position will need to be voted in.
  - The SHAC by-laws have been updated by Teresa.
  - The Human Growth and Development consent and description have been translated to Spanish.

**Health TEKS Related Information provided by Dr. Vu:**

- The Board adopted a resolution during the last Board meeting in order to discuss the updated Health TEKS related to the Human Sexuality Curriculum:
- SHAC requirements regarding mandatory prevention programming reviewed-
  - Further discussion on the below topics will be provided:
    - Parental consent
    - Review and consider potential curriculum resources
    - Discuss the possibility of finalizing board recommendation during next SHAC meeting
    - Along with updated legislation, the curriculum must align with Kennedale ISD Board Policy.
- Relevant legislation passed within the last 15 months reviewed:
  - Senate Bill 9: Requires schools to provide education on prevention related to child abuse, family violence, dating violence, and human trafficking. The focus is on a prevention program and identification/recognition of potential indicators of the above subjects.
    - The curriculum is presented in middle school and high school.
    - Curriculum material must be based on SHAC values and suitable for grade level, as well as reviewed by academic experts.
    - Dr. Vu collected and shared current curriculum resources with staff to obtain feedback that can be taken to the Board along with SHAC recommendations.
  - HB 1525: Requires SHAC recommendations on health curriculum and Board approval, along with parental consent prior to any instruction provided to students.
    - Parental consent must be received no later than the 14<sup>th</sup> day before instruction.
  - Proclamation 22: The current TEA proclamation requires an update on current curriculum resources for physical education and health subjects due to updated Health TEKS.
    - Currently, the TEA only has one vetted resource for an updated curriculum.



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### **Updated Health TEKS:**

- Dr. Vu provided the meeting attendees with a packet that contains the updated Health TEKS by grade level and topic.
- This information was also sent via email to SHAC members.

### **Parental Consent:**

- Parental consent will be required for Human Sexuality instruction and curriculum regarding the prevention of child abuse, family violence, dating violence, and human trafficking:
  - Parents must opt their child in before any instruction is provided.
    - A generic notification will be sent out along with additional consent forms for each of the above topics.
  - A parent has the right to remove the student from any part of instruction at any time.
  - Parents have the right to review and or purchase a copy of curriculum material.
  - Districts may provide sex education to boys and girls separately.
  - Instruction must emphasize abstinence.
  - Districts may not distribute condoms.

### **Curriculum Programs Reviewed:**

- Play It Safe: Health TEKS based curriculum
  - Meets State and Federal guidelines for required curriculum.
  - TEKS- based curriculum that uses videos and scripted discussion materials that are age appropriate.
    - Instruction is provided in a class-by-class basis.
    - Trained Employees provide the class along with teachers present in class.
    - Parents are provided with the opportunity to view the videos and transcripts ahead of time.
- Second Step Curriculum:
  - Current program used by councilors to combine discussion with fun activities and family resources to support mental health and wellness.
- Human and Growth Development Class:
  - Age-appropriate information about personal health and hygiene habits along with teachings of anatomy of the human body and changes that come with puberty.
  - Currently provided by the nurses to all 5<sup>th</sup> graders via an approved video.
- CATCH: Instructional resources for physical education that does not include any human sexuality topics (Informational Only due to Proclamation 22).
- Aim For Success: An assembly presentation provided once in 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade:
  - Provides curriculum instruction on new health TEKS requirements regarding Human Sexuality.
  - Provides parental preview
  - Program promotes abstinence



**Closing Remarks/Q&A:**

- An opportunity was provided for group breakouts to further discuss the above curriculum programs.
  - Q/A of curriculum programs:
    - Parental Access for Play it Safe material: Program representative provided reassurance that parents can access the material at any time.
    - What is the opt-in timeline for parental consent? – Two weeks before each program presentation, parents will be given informed consent to opt-in their child into instruction time.
- Plans for Thursday’s SHAC meeting were discussed:
  - The meeting will start off with a quick informational session regarding updated Health TEKS and legislation requirements.
  - The goal of the meeting will be to move forward with approval on curriculum programs that will then be presented to the board.
  - If approval is not received from SHAC members, an additional meeting can be called.
  - The present SHAC members will be attempting to contact all other SHAC members to ensure their presence during Thursday’s meeting.
  - Teresa will be sending out the curriculum information provided by Dr. Vu to current SHAC members via email.

Meeting end time – 5:12 p.m. Meeting adjourned per Teresa