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## **STISD SHAC MEETING**

**April 18, 2024**

**South Texas ISD Administration Building**

**Minutes**

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Meeting was called to order by Marcos Flores at 5:33 pm.

Attending: Dr. Javier Saenz, Ileana Hinojosa, Ricardo Viader, Hanani Vasquez, Alicia Rios, Marcos Flores, and Janette Bristow.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Dr Saenz motioned to approve prior minutes from March 20, 2024 meeting.

Ms. Vasquez second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Flores thanked all SHAC members for their commitment and for all the work they have contributed this year.

### **Reports:**

#### **Parent Protech**

Mr. Flores announced partnership with Parent Protech. He explained this technology is a platform for teachers, students, and families to be more informed about using technology. Equips everyone to safely navigate technology. Helps students develop healthy digital habits. Teachers will also be able to use Protech in their classroom as well. Mr. Flores spoke about a study which correlated how much time a student spends on a computer and depression. Protech will give information to parents on how to foster a safer home environment. The developer of Parent Protech will visit STISD during the fall semester.

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## **Youth Mental Health**

Mr. Flores explained 100% of all staff who interact with students, i.e., teachers, bus drivers, cafeteria staff etc., need to be trained by 2028/2029 school year in increments of 25% each year. Right now, our district is exceeding more than 25%. During the upcoming professional development in the month of May more staff will be trained. Our district LPC in partnership with Tropical Behavior Center are training our district. Everyone will be trained to know what to look for in case of a crisis. Mr. Flores explained that the training identifies signs of mental health crisis. It provides resources and how to address situations involving our students.

## **District Doctor's Standing Orders**

Doctors standing orders approved by board and in place at all our campus. For example: Narcan medication in place at all our campuses. Also working with our school nurses for clarification of certain orders.

Mr. Flores reflected back on the topics SHAC committee has worked on this year. States all STISD including our superintendent Dr. Lara thanked SHAC committee again for their participation this year.

## **Meeting Adjourned**

Dr. Saenz motioned to adjourn meeting. Ms. Vasquez second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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