

Hitchcock ISD School Health Advisory Council Meeting held on March 29, 2023

The meeting was called to order.

Members in attendance: Sue Taylor (parent), Drewann Perales LVN, Ginger Williams, Belinda Chambers, Karen Peterson RN (faculty), Symone Woods, Ja'nya Bailey, Kendall McCardell, Zoey Bryan and E'lia Bell (students).

Minutes reviewed from February 1, 2023 meeting.

Topics for Discussion - Eight components of coordinated school health should be the priority focus area for the SHAC: 1 - Nutrition Services - Discussed with the students present if the snacks and drinks discussed at the last SHAC meeting had been implemented in the cafeteria. The students responded by saying the snack options had improved and a salad bar was available but the drink selections had not changed. They are suggesting adding Capri Sun, bottled water and Gatorade. Many do not like the V8 juices.

2 - Health Services - Blood drive is scheduled for April 4th in the gym; Covid testing is still available in the clinic. Very few cases since the last meeting, about 3 reported.

3 - Healthy & Safe School Environment - Question raised about any changes since the accident in the crosswalk in front of the school. The School Zone sign near Schiro is back up but is not functioning at this time. There is still a temporary lighted sign on with the school zone speed posted at that corner. Police currently sit most mornings in the turn lanes with their yellow bar lights on during the morning school zone time. The school is currently discussing crossing guards.

4 - Counseling & Mental health Services - counselors are available on the campuses.

5 - Staff Wellness Promotion - It's Time Texas Challenge completed on March 9th. No report on any participants.

6 - Parent & Community Involvement - The Galveston County Fair and Rodeo has a blood drive scheduled for April 13th during their Community Sneak Peek Week. Community wide Parade and Pep Rally to celebrate the High School Boys Basketball Team's win at the State Tournament. The parade is to start at 3 pm and travel to the football stadium for the Pep Rally at 4 pm. Volunteers needed to assist with the hot dogs and drinks.

7 - Physical Education - A question was posed regarding the poles on the playground at HPS. The poles are reported to have signage on them. Many of the children run into these poles and end up in the nurses clinic for an ice pack. Can any of these poles be removed? HPS is having their Hitchcock Roundup on July 22nd. HIS Ministries will deliver pallets of backpacks and supplies for 250 backpacks on July 10th. Volunteers are needed to help put the backpacks together. The Cheerleaders will assist after returning from Cheer Camp. Some of the community resource groups that will be present at the Roundup are the Girl Scouts, Blood Bank and the SonShine Shop. They will have a pageant during the RoundUp.

Future Meeting Dates are to be scheduled after the start of the 2023-24 school year. School starts on August 14, 2023. Registration dates are unknown at this time. .

Meeting was adjourned.