Haskell CISD SHAC Meeting Minutes 05/15/2024

The May meeting of Haskell CISD School Health Advisory Council was called to order at 5:16 by chairperson Chandra Ingram. Members in attendance: Janet Adkins, Ingram, Barry McBroom, Lonnie Hise, Billie Lindsey, Michelle Thane, Erin Watson, Vanessa Shiplett, Belinda Lytle, Bette Enriquez, and Christi Wheat.

Members were welcomed, given minutes of the last meeting and the agenda for this evening. Information and outlines for Youth Equipped to Succeed were given to each member also. The motion was made by Hise to approve the minutes from February's meeting. Seconded by Lindsay and minutes were approved unanimously by the council.

First item on the agenda was a brief from Wheat on recent health events happening at HCISD including a puberty/hygiene program for 5th graders and CPR, Stop the Bleed classes at high school.

Next the council reviewed and discussed programs available from the YES! Organization. Formerly known as Aim for Success, the YES! organization has presented programs to our junior high and high school students for many years. Last fall, the secondary campuses participated in an abstinence program, presented 4 times with variations for 6th grade, 7th/8th combined, 9th/10th grades and 11th/12th grades with a parent/community presentation the evening prior. The speaker focused on making good choices and legal issues and consequences. Council members received emails with links to the YES! website to preview information. The organization has programs on numerous topics including overcoming adversity, dropout prevention, character development, drug/alcohol prevention, bullying prevention and sexual risk prevention. Lytle pointed out that school counselors share information in small groups of students throughout the year on similar topics. Adkins mentioned how relevant last year's human sexuality/abstinence presentation was for the high school students. Lytle, McBroom and Watson commented on information our students can't hear enough about and Hise agreed. Hise reminded the council that its purpose is to recommend to the board; that board members will make the final decision on any human sexuality lessons. The council voted unanimously after the motion was made by Shiplett and seconded by McBroom to proceed with recommendation to the school board about the Aim for Success program which includes age appropriate information concerning teen pregnancy, STD's and setting boundaries from the YES! organization. Hise will make the recommendation on behalf of the council at the next school board meeting.

Wheat invited any other comments or suggestions for topics for upcoming meetings next fall and expressed gratitude to all members of the council and special thanks to outgoing member Bette Enriquez. Lindsey made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Ingram and the meeting was adjourned at 5:42.