

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations for Chair/Co-Chairs - Beth Wipf nominated Leisha Roy as SHAC Chair. A second was made by Deb Comella. Stan Wiggins was not at the meeting and no one knew if he was interested in continuing as Co-chair. Beth Wipf amended her nomination to make Leisha Roy the sole Chair of the SHAC Committee and this was seconded by Mary Lynn Rodriguez. Leisha was unanimously voted as the Chair.

Towards the end of the meeting, Heather Starnes informed the group that Stan Wiggins was interested in continuing to be a Co-chair for the SHAC Committee this year. Beth Wipf nominated Stan for Co-chair and Mary Fischer seconded. Dr. Wiggins was unanimously voted as Co-chair.

COVID Update - Beth Wipf presented the School Districts Initiatives related to COVID. She gave several links for the Committee to review at their leisure they are as follows:

School Reopening: https://www.leeschools.net/parent_portal/covid-19/school_reintroduction

COVID-19 reporting: <https://leeschools.net/cms/One.aspx?portalId=676305&pageId=31055434>

COVID-19 Notification Form: <https://cir.leeschools.net> (For School District staff)

These are also located on the school website. This information was given to the parents to help them decide how they would like their student to receive their education for the 2020 school year.

Beth reviewed the role of the School Reopening Task Force that was put together to establish a reopening plan. They were a diversified group that met weekly for 6 weeks and had several subgroups. They compiled their recommendations and presented them to the School Board for approval.

Some of the Health and Safety Requirements were reviewed (see attached presentation).

The purpose and use of isolation rooms was reviewed (see attached presentation).

The Illness Policy was reviewed and updated to reflect the COVID symptoms. Teachers were also given documentation reflecting any medical conditions their specific students may currently have. (i.e. asthma, ADHD, cardiac conditions, etc.) Students that are sent home with a COVID symptom must quarantine for 10 days. They can come back before the 10 days if they have a dated letter from the physician stating that their symptoms are not COVID related. The letter must have a date of return.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) provided by the District for the staff to use was reviewed. The use of the COVID-19 Notification Form and the overall workflow was also reviewed. What happens once a case is reported and how contact tracing is set up and reported to the Health Department.

The purpose of the COVID Command Center was discussed. Hours/days of operation, phone number and email address were given.

School Board Update - Mary Fischer gave a Board update. The Board is continuing our partnership with the United Way and the School District now houses their warehouse with supplies for families in need. It is in the Public Education Center.

We are also working with Lee Health and the Behavioral Health Task Force. We continue to educate the public/families on what we are doing for the mental health of our students.

In October is Red Ribbon Week and we will be working with the Drug Free Coalition to celebrate.

October is also LBGTQ Awareness month and Anti-bullying month. The Board has updated the antibullying policy to be compliant with current statutes. That will all be presented at the next Board Meeting.

There is a new PPE policy which will be voted on October 6th. Board member Betsy Vaughn spear headed a mask collection and was able to collect over 40,000 reusable cotton masks.

The School District is hoping to receive \$685,000.00 to fund the 8th grade mandatory health course. The Board will continue to make comprehensive health education funding one of our top priorities. Debbie Jordan will be the legislative representative this year.

Mary thanked everyone for working together.

Leisha shared that the health education classes are improving at the middle school level but then dropping off at the high school level. She said we need to make sure Health Education stays a priority at all levels.

Health Education Update - Leisha gave an update about Health Education. The Health Education Prep Course did go live last year. Sara Thompson, Kathy Wynne and Leisha have come up with a Substance Use and Abuse Program for the Kindergarten, First and Second grade levels. Kathy has started piloting this program with a 2nd grade class at Tanglewood Elementary.

Lori Brooks spoke about Wellness Wednesdays which was created last year for an implementation this year. There will be 10 designated Wednesdays during the school year, in our middle and high schools, when this curriculum will be delivered. The elementary schools will do it throughout the year. In the Middle schools it will be done through the Science teachers. In the High schools it will be done through a “Drop everything and read” school wide approach. It will be at a designated time for the same class period of time and with the same teachers. We have gotten a good response so far from the Principals and it will start the first week in October.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Heather Parker announced that Health Screenings are coming up for all employees. Flu shots were administered at all the bus barns. She also said that Minute Clinics are giving flu shots for children 3 and up.

The Lift Project which is an on-line mental health program will also soon be available for School District employees.

Hanley Foundation is working with Drug Free Lee Coalition and Drug House Odyssey is going to be at the Lee Civic Center the first week in February. There will be plenty of room for social distancing. It will be with the 5th graders of the Lee County School District.

Prevention Services is creating quarterly newsletters for families. They will be sent to the Principals to disseminate.

Amanda Evans announced that the Health Department is doing walk up COVID testing sites. Hepatitis A vaccines and flu shots will also be available at this time free of charge. We will send out the October schedule to this committee.

There is cyber bullying presentation on the Lee District website. There are also has Facebook Live presentations on the Prevention Services page.

Heather Parker made a motion to end the meeting and Mary Fischer seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40am.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Thursday, April 8, 2022