

**School Health Advisory Committee Minutes
Clay County Health Department
Ed Stansel Administration Building
Administrative Conference Room
1305 Idlewild Avenue
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
January 8, 2013**

APPROVED

Members Present:

Leslee Bryan, CCSD, Health Educator	Maria LaRocca, CCHD, School Health
Chastity Choulat, Parent Representative	Dotty Morford, CCHD, School Health
Dr. Tara Hackney, Baker Clay Dental Clinic	Sue Nelson, CCHD, Communicable Diseases/Epi
Shanna Hostetter, CCSD, Health Educator	Kim Thompson, CCHD, School Health
Pam Hughlett, CCHD, School Health	Donna Wethington, CCSD, Student Services
Linda Jordan-Morey, CCSD, Health Educator	

Agenda Topics

Welcome:

Discussion: Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes

Chastity Choulat

Discussion: All members present signed in. The October 18, 2012 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved by all present.

Fluoride Treatment Program Update

Maria LaRocca

Discussion: Maria reported that School Health (she, Dotty and Pam) presented a fluoride treatment demonstration to teachers and faculty of both Clay Hill and Wilkinson Elementary schools, including how to administer the fluoride – swishing, spitting out the fluoride, etc. Baker Clay Dental Clinic is supplying the materials to provide the services. About half of the materials have been delivered to the schools. Roughly 50% of students' parents in each of the schools have opted to participate in the program. They hope the participation rate will increase after the program has been in place for a while. Dr. Hackney indicated that 75% participation is a good target goal.

Maria explained the student participation information was sent out in December. Pam indicated the School Health team has done everything possible to make it easier for the schools to administer the fluoride, including creating participation lists for each of the schools so the statistics can be reported monthly. Both schools recruited parent volunteers to separate and bag the fluoride materials at their respective schools.

Chastity asked if anyone knew the cost to provide the services. Dr. Hackney did not have that information available, but said she would find out and let the SHAC members know.

Donna asked if records were going to be kept on it, such as the cavity prevention rate, etc. Maria said the student participation numbers will be entered into the CCHD's HMS program as dental prevention, and then submitted to Tallahassee at the end of the year.

Discuss CCSD Human Growth and Development Education

Chastity Choulat

Discussion: Chastity reported that some of the growth and development policies of other county school districts had been researched for comparison ideas. Based on what the Health Educators (HEs) found, there is a wide variety of programs available for comparison, as different counties have different policies (see attached). Most of the SHAC members preferred the Alachua and Collier programs. Depending on the program, the grade levels vary (specific programs for 7th and 8th, 7th – 12th, 9th – 12th, etc.). One possibility is to have one policy for students in KG – 12th grades.

Donna said we need to include the Sunshine State Standards in the revised policy. Pam suggested that the teachers aren't sure what the policy terms actually mean, which leaves it open for individual interpretation. Donna said we need to address any concerns we have and change it accordingly.

Chastity felt the current policy needs improvement (updating), and liked that the Alachua County policy also includes nutrition, prevention, etc. Dotty indicated the Alachua policy addresses what we want, but allows it to be simple enough to understand.

Donna said the curriculum goes before the School Board (SB), and asked if the SHAC members want her to take the required steps to amend our policy. They said yes, so she will work on it and bring it back to the members at the next SHAC meeting.

Donna asked for ideas to consider as she will need this information to go before the SB. Two suggestions from the members present were:

- Break down to elementary, middle and high school grade levels, and include the number of hours required (Baker and Volusia breaks it down by grade level; Osceola requires one full semester for graduation)
- Based on Epi statistics, students should have G & D education before the 8th grade

She said the HEs will do more research and bring back their ideas and suggestions at the next SHAC meeting. She suggested a more comprehensive policy with generalized verbiage to discuss and present to the SB when she requests approval to update the current policy. She also thought providing STD statistics would be very helpful in supporting the request.

A current copy of the CCSD Human Growth and Development policy was provided, and is attached.

Agency Reports

Baker Clay Dental Clinic – Dr. Hackney reported the dental clinic did not receive the Blue Foundation grant. They had applied for it to be used to renovate a county owned building in the Clay Hill area so they can offer dental services to the area residents. There were some questions as to the acceptability of the building due to some air conditioning issues.

They are postponing starting a sealant program in the elementary schools as they have lost a team member and cannot hire anyone to fill the position at this time, due to budget issues.

Clay Action Coalition – Donna reported that about 1,200 "Know the Law" brochures have been printed and are being distributed to the public.

The Florida Youth Risk Behavior Survey results were released. Based on these results, the use of drugs, cigarettes and alcohol are down overall. The number one location where the students drink is either at home or in another person's home. A copy of the report is attached.

Epi – Sue reported Communicable Diseases/Epi is currently in transition, with a new supervisor and TB nurse. However, she reported flu is prevalent. The CCSD nurses no longer report influenza-like-illnesses (ILIs) to the department. She now has access to CCSD's Focus program, and can obtain absentee statistics. Based on this information, they can determine if there is cause for concern at the school level.

School District – Student Services - Donna reported that she is working on a \$400,000 guidance grant application which will allow them to hire additional social workers and guidance counselors.

School Health – Dotty reported that the students from the University of Florida's College of Pharmacy would love to present their drug program to the students in Clay County schools. Kim will e-mail their contact info to Leslee to contact them about doing so.

Dotty also indicated she and Pam had taught some puberty classes in the schools. She said as SH currently has a vacant RN position, it was difficult for them to manage it time wise. However, they were successful in providing the classes.

Donna said the HEs are planning to present the growth and development classes in the 5th grade classes in the basic schools, and would like Pam and Dotty to present the classes in the full service schools. Pam indicated she would love to attend one of their classes to witness their presentations firsthand.

Set next meeting date

The next meeting date is scheduled for March 21, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Clay County Health Department's Administrative Building's Conference Room in Green Cove Springs.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.