

McKinney ISD

School Health Advisory Committee

September 14, 2017

Attendance: Jean Begala, Julie Blankenship, Kimberley Frank, Lauren Hickman, Stephen Issa, Madison Jackson, Karin Klemm, Megan Patterson, James Shoemake, Danielle Stewart, Kenneth Ussery, Lisa Evans, Heather Tippett

Meeting called to order by Julie Blankenship at 6:34pm

Introductions around the table.

Reviewed minutes from May 11, 2017; James Shoemake made motion to approve minutes and Danielle Stewart second the motion.

Mr. Issa opened the meeting discussing the Bedrooms, Backpacks and Beyond event that Frisco ISD had about 5 years ago.

The event shows attendees where children hide substances. There will be a mock up bedroom. Many vendors will be in attendance that service substance abuse, psychological care and more. This event is for parents/adults, not students.

Julie Blankenship spoke about a new House Bill passed about Lice notification to the parents in the classroom. Julie reviewed MISD policy before the new notification law. The new law states EVERY case of lice needs to be reported to all the classroom parents.

Julie reviewed the MISD flow sheet to discuss how a case of lice is identified, treated, and readmitted to school. Siblings on the same campus are checked.

New law states the district has 5 days to notify the classroom parents at the Elementary level only. Exclusion of the student begins if the child returns with live lice. If seeing multiple cases within a 2 week period the nurse will do a little more investigating within the classroom and the environment as well as a whole class check. At secondary level only the common class is where the letter goes.

Lisa Evans asked what specifically the state has asked to be on the letter that goes home. Julie stated it must contain a link to CDC info about lice. Lisa stated the letter may have too much info. Lauren Hickman stated the info is helpful to new parents and those that do not have computer access. Kim Frank stated as a parent, she appreciates the heads up early.

Julie is concerned about the child being identified and bullied. Children talk, parents talk. Julie asked that if there are parents talking, please direct them to Julie.

Next meeting is October 12, 2017 at 1pm at Central Office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm

Addendum: October 12, 2017 meeting was cancelled and attendance of the Bedrooms, Backpacks and Beyond event was encouraged.