

Haskell CISD SHAC  
Meeting Minutes 10/30/2024

Haskell CISD SHAC held the councils second meeting for the year on Wednesday, October 30th in the performing arts center. Christi Wheat called the meeting to order at 5:15. Members in attendance: Tommy Rodriquez, Crystal Gonzales, Barry McBroom, Janet Adkins, Caitlin Lewis, Kristi Stewart, Billie Lindsay, Jenny Camacho, Lonnie Hise, and C. Wheat. Members received packets with the minutes from the last meeting, agenda for this meeting and information on Tucker's Law, HB 3908, and TEA policy requirements. K. Stewart made the motion to approve the previous meeting minutes and B. McBroom seconded, unanimously the minutes were approved.

Starting off the discussion with facts about fentanyl and that October is Fentanyl Poisoning Awareness Month, Wheat informed the council that the state requires instruction for grades 6-12 annually on abuse prevention and awareness. Although it is not required on our elementary campus, counselor C. Gannaway provides guidance lessons to elementary students and pamphlets for parent education to fourth and fifth graders on risks of overdose and fentanyl poisoning. C. Gonzales appreciated the age appropriate information for all students from our school counselors and teachers. C. Lewis added that it is important for even our young students to receive education related to these issues. K. Stewart told the members that the Abilene Recovery Council comes to our high school and junior high with a program presenting the dangers of opioids, risks of drug addiction, fentanyl poisoning and resources available for our community. The group discussed Red Ribbon Week activities on all three campuses, that Texas is second in the US behind California for deaths involving fentanyl, and "overdoses involving fentanyl among ages 10 - 19 increased by 182% from 2019 to 2021" according to *Texas Health Data*.

Wheat showed the council the naloxone (Narcan) that each campus has available for opioid overdose and described how it would be used. HCISD staff are all made aware that the naloxone is available in the staff meeting that starts off the school year. Each campus has trained employees capable of using the intranasal naloxone.

C. Gonzales made the motion to recommend to our school board to continue the current program for our students that our school counselors use for fentanyl abuse prevention and drug poisoning awareness. The motion was seconded by J. Camacho and approved unanimously by the council.

The meeting was open for questions, comments and suggestions for our next meeting.

T. Rodriquez made the motion to adjourn, seconded by J. Adkins and the meeting concluded at 5:40.