

# Center Independent School District School Health Advisory Council

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Center Independent School District's School Health Advisory Council met on Wednesday, April 26, 2023.

**Present:** Tina Byrnes, Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE)  
Marcus Camp, CMS Principal  
David Hailey, Businessman/Youth Pastor  
Marlene Hernandez, Parent  
Jennifer Jones, Parent, Chairman  
Casey Lout, Parent  
Pete Low, CISD Police  
Amber Mathews, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and RTI  
Denise Merriman, Shelby County Children's Advocacy Center  
Lindsay Montario, RN, CISD RN Coordinator  
Joyce Permenter, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

**Absent:** Otis Amy, CHS Principal  
Brandy Bennefield, FLM Principal  
Carey Agnew, Director of Special Services  
Crystal Chisenhall, CES Principal  
Latrese Barkins, Parent  
Cynthia Huffstetler, CHS Student Needs Liaison and Intervention Coordinator  
Amanda Kirby, CISD Transportation/Safety Supervisor  
Lisa Miller, Grandparent  
Ashley Wulf, Parent

**Visitors:** Kim Hennigan, SFE Secretary

## 1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Jennifer Jones called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

## 2.0 MINUTES

Members of the SHAC had an opportunity to review the minutes prior to the meeting. There were no changes made. Minutes approved.

## 3.0 OLD BUSINESS

### 3.1   *Suicide Prevention/Mental Health Awareness*

Cynthia Huffstetler was unable to attend the meeting today but Lindsay Montario noted that the bullying link on the District's has been restored. Lindsay Montario announced a webinar on Friday, April 28, 2023 with UT Tyler on t-chart. TCHAT (Texas Child health Access – Through Telemedicine) provides telemedicine free of charge to school districts to help identify and assess the behavioral health needs of children and adolescents and provide access to mental health services with licensed professionals.

Denise Merriman noted there is a free mental health first aid class that CISD staff could take. Pete Low and Carey Agnew requested the link.

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**Merlene Hernandez arrived at 8:40 a.m.**

### **4.0. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **4.1 Resignation of Lisa Miller**

Lisa Miller has resigned from CISD's School Health Advisory Council as she has started teaching in Carthage and it is almost impossible for her to attend meetings. Jennifer Jones asked for a show of hands in favor of Lisa Miller's resignation. All members were in favor.

#### **4.2 Member(s) Attendance**

Each SHAC member received a copy of the Bylaws related to attendance. It was noted that member attendance shall be monitored by the Chair, who shall work with members to try and resolve any attendance problems. Non-attendance for three (3) consecutive meetings within a one-year period may result in removal. It was brought to the attention of the members that Latrese Barkins has missed three (3) consecutive meetings. Jennifer Jones asked for a show of hands in favor of removing Latrese Barkins from SHAC. All members were in favor.

#### **4.3 Increase in Student Pregnancies at CISD**

The members of SHAC met with Jen Biundo, Policy Director from Health Futures of Texas. Members were briefed on the number of pregnancies for the 2022-2023 school year there are/have been as well as the numbers for the State of Texas and the nation. Jen Biundo indicated that there are numerous resources for the District as well as the family/student. Lindsay Montario suggested we do better and be proactive and have protocols in place for pregnancies. The consensus of the members for the higher pregnancy rate at CISD is the lack of education and breakdown in family/home. Jennifer Jones noted the area churches would annually have a retreat "True Love Waits". It was also discussed to possibly have a guest speaker talk with the students regarding teen pregnancy and what happens after the baby is born.

**Amber Mathews left the meeting at 9:04 a.m.**

### **5.0 MENU COMMITTEE**

Due the length of the meeting, there was no discussion regarding the Menu Committee.

### **6.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tina Byrnes introduced her new secretary, Kim Hennigan.

### **7.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.