

SHAC Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 12/6/22
Via Google Meets 12:00PM

In attendance:

Johnnelly Green
Melissa Gentry
Serina Marcum-Holt
Kathleen Black
Paul Myers
Kaley Mayer
Sarah Gehrsitz
Kimberly Joy
Maria Eunice
Michele Milinkovic
Toni Griffin
Randell Doty
Jamarr Akins
Verena Vancil

Meeting began: 12:05PM

Johnnelly Green - Introduction of new members:

Michele Milinkovich, Golf Coach at GHS, representing Physical Education component of Coordinated School Health Model.

Dr. Toni Griffin, Supervisor of Student Services

Kimberly Joy, Mental Health Supervisor

Johnnelly Green - Narcan policy - discussions in place for possible pilot in the high schools. Have communicated with other counties who already have policy implemented, namely Leon and Monroe. SBAC Staff Attorney working on drafting a policy to present to Superintendent and Board. This is a work in progress.

Paul Myers (DOH) - Alachua County statistics, 763 residents <45 y/o have died of drug related illness so far this year.

No further questions.

Johnnelly Green - House Bill 173, the following is a summary of this bill:

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2022 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Education

CS/HB 173 — Care of Students with Epilepsy or Seizure Disorders

by Early Learning and Elementary Education Subcommittee and Reps. Duran, Gottlieb, and others (SB 340 by Senator Garcia)

The bill (Chapter 2022-19, L.O.F.) specifies responsibilities for public schools to provide for the care of students with epilepsy or seizure disorders. The bill requires a school to implement an individualized seizure action plan (ISAP) once a parent submits an ISAP to the school principal and school nurse to inform school personnel of the unique health care services required by the student and how to respond in emergency situations.

The bill requires that the ISAP:

- Include specified information, such as recommended care, accommodations, symptoms, prescribed rescue medication, and contact information for medical assistance;
- Be developed by a medical professional in consultation with a parent and signed by both individuals;
- Be submitted by a parent to the school principal and school nurse or other appropriate school employee; and
- Remain in effect until the parent submits a revised ISAP.

The bill requires a school to provide employees whose duties include regular contact with a student with an ISAP with notice of the student's condition, information on providing care for the student if he or she shows symptoms of the epilepsy or seizure disorder, and parental and emergency contact information.

The bill requires a school nurse or an appropriate school employee to:

- Coordinate the provision of epilepsy and seizure disorder care, including administering medication, as outlined in a student's ISAP; and
- Verify that school employees whose duties include regular contact with a student with an ISAP have completed training in the recognition of symptoms and care of students with epilepsy and seizure disorders.

The bill requires the Department of Education to identify on its website one or more free online training courses in the care of students with epilepsy or seizure disorders provided by a nonprofit national organization.

These provisions became law upon approval by the Governor on March 25, 2022.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 106-0

Johnnelly – School nurses and select teachers (with direct contact)s are required to take the online seizure course offered by DOE, principals are aware of this 1-hour online training that is required. We will welcome the doctor provided ISAP/action plan for these students however, at

this time we do not require the “ISAP” within our school district to give care. Health Services has an established Emergency Care Plan (ECP) in place for these students.

Kaley Mayer, Epilepsy Alliance America - Goal is to promote school safety for students with epilepsy and seizure disorders. EAA provides training, support to parents and students, case management, help with medication costs, finding doctors, psychological support, etc. Glad to know that the school district already has an ECP in place. Many schools did not have this prior to the Bill, which is why it was pushed into legislation. In the month of August 2022, over 1,000 teachers have taken the free online seizure training.

Q: Michele Milinkovich -How long is the training?

A: Kaley Mayer- 1 hour, free and online

No further Questions.

Dr. Toni Griffin, Supervisor of Student Services – Resources for mental health provided by the school district include Parent Academy program – covers topics such as bullying in school and in the home, de-escalating and conflict, grief, self-harm, substance abuse, etc.

Program meets every fourth Thursday, offers live webinars, pre-recorded videos, some in person meetings across the district, mobile learning lab, etc.

Links to previous videos are on the SBAC website.

Over 100 families have signed up for this free service.

Kim Joy, Mental Health Specialist - referrals to Meridian, counseling, help with transportation if needed, or helping these services coming into the school for the student, telehealth, some of what they can offer is also free of cost depending of the situation.

No Questions

Sarah Gehrsitz, Tobacco Free Florida - statistics on percentage of local youth/student population who have tried a vape product, which is higher than the state percentage of youth. Fla=19.9%

Ala Co.= 23.8%

Addiction is higher/easier in a youth brain. Florida DOH has endorsed a free online course to provide help to quit. It is “dry content” for teens. There is also a free, text-based program from Quit For Life for teens to help quit that is not endorsed by DOH. Can enroll straight from their own phone by texting Vapefree to 873373

Q: Michele Milinkovich-Are there any other school districts that are implementing a tobacco free curriculum or similar non-punishable option for when students are caught with these products at school? This is our number one referral right now. We would rather see these students sit through a curriculum based, health warning, educational program while in ISD than just sit.

A: Sarah- Not sure, but anyone can enroll in the above mentioned free online programs.

Dr. Toni Griffin – suggested consulting with Dr. Kamman, Supervisor of Discipline, on this topic.

Michele Milinkovich – with Dean at GHS present on screen, asked her specifics about what takes places when a student is disciplined for tobacco/vaping use at school.

Dean - They are issued a referral to Teen Court, an infraction ticket with GPD, and they do have a curriculum that they work on while in ISD, a health-based educational video that discusses several infraction topics, including vaping.

No other questions or comments at this time.

Johnnelly Green - Next meeting scheduled for March 2023.

Meeting adjourned 12:45PM