

Beeville ISD School Health Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes 2/2/12

The Beeville ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) met on Thursday, February 2, 2012 in the BISD administration building. Those in attendance were Karen Harvey, Debra Velasco, Becky Williams, Bonnie Schendel, Lucas Guerrero, Carrie Morin, Jan Danmier, and Cindy Clendennen Co-chair. Guest speakers were Jerry Dugan, Community Educator for Women's Shelter of South Texas and Traci Younts, Project Director of the Beeville ISD ACE Program.

Items on the agenda included:

Presentation from Jerry Dugan, Community Educator of Women's Shelter of South Texas

Jerry Dugan gave a presentation about the Women's Shelter of South Texas. The Women's Shelter was established in 1978 for the purpose of providing emergency shelter and support services to victims of domestic violence. In 1993, services were expanded to include survivors of sexual assault. In 1994, the organization built a new facility that allows the agency to shelter up to 65 clients. In 1995, a Batterers Intervention and Prevention Program was established. Today, the Women's Shelter is a non-profit organization that supports and empowers individuals affected by family violence and sexual assault through safe shelter and outreach while providing advocacy, education, and resources to create a safe, supportive community. The agency operates 24 hours daily, 365 days a year providing services to twelve counties: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, McMullen, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio. Other services include:

24-hour hotline, 1 800 580-HURT	24-hour safe shelter	Food, clothing, and personal items
Crisis intervention	Individual counseling and support groups for adults and children	
Hospital accompaniment	Criminal justice advocacy	Children's program activities
Volunteer training and support	Community education and awareness programs for all ages	
Primary prevention	Batterers Intervention and Prevention Program	

Transportation to safe shelter, medical care, housing, job assistance, legal, law enforcement, and social service appointments

Information and referrals to resources, including job training, employment assistance, educational resources, mental health, and substance abuse referrals

Other

The last meeting for the SHAC is April 5th. Traci Younts will give a presentation about the BISD ACE Program.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm.

Submitted by Cindy Clendennen