

## **SISD Grants and Federal Programs Board Report**

May 17, 2019

### **Cold Water Safety Training:**

Eleven students participated in this class on the Thorne Bay dock. There was one student over 16 and he earned his US Coast Guard AMSEA certificate. The other students learned the same skills but AMSEA does not issue cards to youth under 16. The instructor was Earl Jeffrey who has taught the class for us before and is an excellent teacher. This was a great opportunity for our students!



**HRSA grant:**

We were awarded a grant for \$200,000 from Health Resources and Services Administration, US Dept. of Health and Human Services. The grant is called Rural Communities Opioid Response Program. Priscilla, Heidi and Colleen Watson, Public Health Nurse, worked as a team to submit this grant. The project director will be hired by SISD and will work closely with the Prince of Wales Health Network. The abstract of the project states:

*If awarded the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Planning grant, the following core activities will take place during the one-year planning period:*

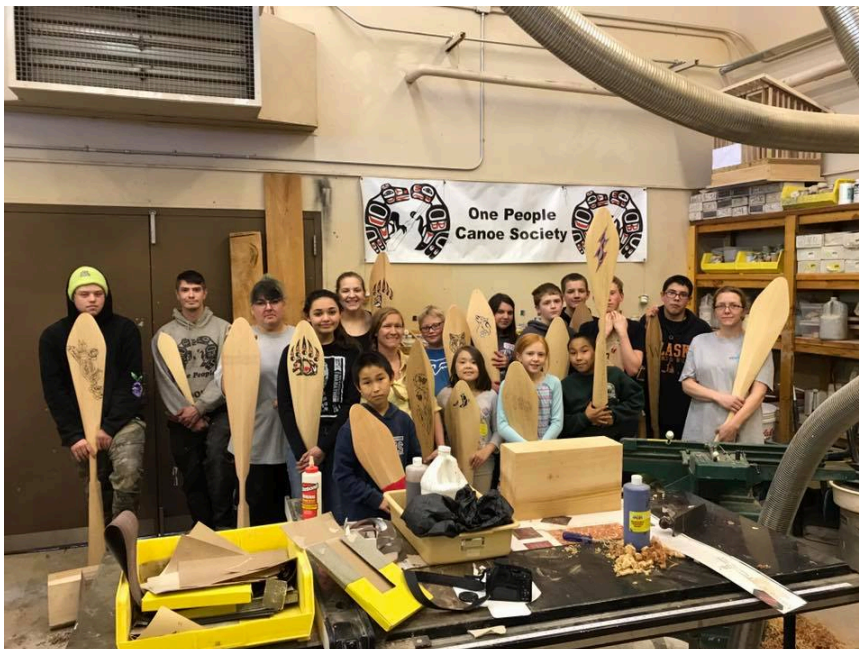
- *Developing and Strengthening the Prince of Wales Opioid and Addiction Task Force*
- *Conduct a detailed needs assessment with a detailed analysis of gaps and weaknesses surrounding substance use disorders.*
- *Develop a comprehensive strategic plan that addresses the gaps in OUD prevention, treatment and recovery services.*
- *Develop a comprehensive workforce plan that addresses the needs identified.*
- *Leverage existing OUD efforts at the local and state level.*
- *Develop a multi-faceted plan to track and maintain data related to OUD service provision.*
- *Identify strategies to communicate with the community about peer and other counseling/support resources available.*
- *Establish a Peer-to-Peer Recovery Community Model*

While the grant does not directly affect our students, its impact on the island will be significant. Another benefit to the school district is the grant comes with an indirect amount of approximately \$14,000 and will also cover 7% of the salary of the new grants manager.

**Paddle making workshop:**

This activity at the Thorne Bay School wood shop was requested by Naukati School and in addition to nine of their students, other students around the district were invited who are of American Indian or Native Alaskan heritage. The 3-day workshop was funded by the **Indian Education grant, Title VI** of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

Our grant for next year has already been approved with about a \$4000 increase over this year due to increased enrollment of eligible students.



**SCUBA class** is going well despite rainy cool weather. Students are culminating the class with the open water dives in Coffman Cove. The equipment for this class is funded by the **Carl Perkins grant**.

**RUS grant application:**

The district joined Hydaburg City School District in applying for the Rural Utility Services Distance Learning grant. We joined Hydaburg on this grant last year without success due to one of the partners not completing the paperwork. Lauren speaks to this grant in his board report.

**Migrant Education Summer Camp:**

The camp is going to be held at Thorne Bay School from June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>. We were awarded a competitive grant of \$50,000 for each of two years. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year and the end of the funding. This year students will be building kayaks out of pvc pipe and heavy duck cloth stretched over a frame. The book being used to guide this activity is Math in a Cultural Context, which is rich in measurement skills. Mark Gunkel is leading this section. We will also be hosting Zach Desmond, writer, dramatist and student of the Julliard School of Performing Arts in New York. He is a captivating instructor and inspires kids to write! The goals of the camp are to increase math and writing skills. We have an outstanding team of certified teachers and are hiring high school migrant ed students to be student mentors at the camp.

Because of the specific funding streams some of these events are unfortunately not for all students.

Please come and make your voice heard at our meeting for input and information about next year's **Title I, Title IV and Migrant Education grants**. We need parent and community involvement in order to make a plan to spend the money next year. This meeting will be at 5:15 pm Tues. May 28<sup>th</sup> via VTC. The flyer is attached on the next page.

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**Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Parent and  
community informational and input meeting**

**Tuesday, May 28th, 2019 5:15 PM**

Please come and help guide and decide how the district  
uses the grant money for next year (Title IA, IC Migrant  
Education, Title IV).



**Where: VTC room at your school**

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