## **Grand Prairie ISD School Health Advisory Council**

**Minutes for**: Apr 24, 2024 12:00-1:00 p.m. Location: GPISD Education Center BoardRoom C

Meeting of the School Health Advisory Council was called to order on Apr 24, 2024, at 12:03 p.m. by Patience Baity.

**Attendees:** Patience Lewis Baity, Umeka Wright, Dr. Dana Jackson, Gwendolyn Sanders, Zhiloh Israel, Dulce Ramirez, Vanessa Baum, Brandy Davis Wyeth, Chris Hamilton, Jasmine Gaines, Rosie Mendez, Rich Laffey, Elsa Zamora, Ruth Minoti, Patrica Calahan, Dr. Debra Boozer

Patience Baity, Executive Director of Health and Wellness Services, introduced herself and welcomed everyone and outlined the purpose of the SHAC meeting. Mrs. Baity acknowledged our community partners, parents and Board members and thanked them for their commitment and dedication to the School Health Advisory Council.

#### **Open Forum for Agenda Items:**

A. No agenda items for open forum

**Minutes Approval:** Rosie Mendez motioned to approve the minutes from February 28, 2024. Motion was second by Dr. Dana Jackson, motion was presented, properly seconded and carried.

#### **New Business/Presentations**

- A. Health & Wellness Services Department Updates
  - 20,381 students served by staff
    - 109,755 student clinic visits documented in Skyward
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  - Required annual screenings completed by staff
    - o 10,054 vision screenings
    - partnered with ONESIGHT Essilor Luxottica Foundation to provide vision exams and glasses at no cost to students at three campuses
  - 9,776 hearing screenings
  - 1,794 spinal (scoliosis) screenings
  - 3,171 employees served by staff
  - 163 students immunized by Parkland Mobile Immunization Unit on their school campus. Two additional mobile units are scheduled before the end of the school year.

# A. Child Nutrition & Food Services Update, Dustin Seymour, Director of Operations for SFE

Flavor Fest 2024 (Student Voice and Student Choice)

- Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy Students met with 14 vendors and sampled food items and provided feedback.
- ii. A video of Flavor Fest was shown to recap the successful event.

# B. Playground Safety Initiatives, Patience Lewis-Baity, Executive Director of Health & Wellness Services

- a. What are we already doing?
  - i. Preventive maintenance
    - 1. Equipment
    - 2. Fall zone
- b. What can we do?
  - i. Shade structures for playground areas
  - ii. Phase-out/convert metal surfaces/bars to plastic
  - iii. Ensure age appropriate structures are used by students
- c. Goals
  - i. Reduce injury
  - ii. Promote health and well-being through safe activity

# C. Summer Wellness Tips for Families, Umeka Wright, Director of Student and Employee Wellness

- a. Self- Care for Families
  - i. Shared tips and resources for family self care ideas.
- b. Positive Affirmations
  - i. Shared affirmation ideas

Action Item
No Action Items

### No announcements

Patience Baity- Thanked everyone for coming!

Meeting Adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 2, 2024