

Texas School Health Advisory Committee (TSHAC)
APPROVED Meeting Minutes –
February 27, 2023
10:00 a.m.
Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Meeting Site:
TEAMS Virtual Meeting – Robert D. Moreton Building
Public Hearing Room M-100

Table 1: Attendance for Texas School Health Advisory Committee, February 27, 2023 meeting

MEMBER NAME	YES	NO	MEMBER NAME	YES	NO
Dr. Nydia Cabra, Med, ATC, LAT	X		Mr. Michael Mosley, Texas Department of Agriculture	X	
Mr. John Carollo, MS	X		Ms. Michelle Nelson, MHA		X
Mr. Barney Fudge Texas Education Agency		X	Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair	X	
Dr. Julie Gardner, PhD, CHES	X		Dr. Maria Rivera, MD, MPH	X	
Ms. Bena Glasscock, LPC, Vice-Chair	X		Ms. Raiza Ruiz, MPA, CPM Dept. of State Health Services	X	
Ms. Shannon Hoffman, MPAff, MSW, LCDC		X	Ms. Karen Schwind, BSN, RN	X	
Dr. Patricia Kay, EdD		X	Mr. Pete Silvius, MS	X	
Dr. Michael Kelly	X		Ms. Margaret Simpson		X
Dr. John Kuhn, Ph.D.	X		Dr. Zehra Surani, PhD	X	
Dr. Li-Yu Mitchell, MD, MHS	X		Ms. Sharon Vigil		X

Agenda Item 1: Welcome/Call to Order/Logistical Announcements

The meeting of the Texas School Health Advisory Committee (TSHAC) was called to order at 10:01 a.m., Monday, February 27, 2023, by Mr. Eduardo Rios, Presiding Officer. Mr. Rios provided the opening remarks.

Ms. Jacqueline Thompson, Facilitator, Advisory Committee Coordination Office, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Advisory Committee Coordination Office, announced the meeting was being conducted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, conducted the roll call, asked each member to briefly introduce themselves, and announced a quorum of the committee was present. Ms. Raiza Ruiz, Committee Member representing DSHS, introduced DSHS staff, Mr. Hayden Evans, Program Specialist V, School Health Program with DSHS and Mr. Brett Spencer, Unit Director, Health Promotion Unit, DSHS.

Agenda Item 2: Consideration of September 12, 2022 draft meeting minutes.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, instructed members to review and provide edits to the September 12, 2022 draft meeting minutes. There were none.

Motion: Dr. Nydia Cabra made a motion to adopt the TSHAC September 12, 2022 draft meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bena Glasscock. The motion carried by a vote of Thirteen (14) Approval, zero (0) Disapprove, Zero (0) Abstain, and Five (5) Absent: Fudge, Hoffman, Nelson, Simpson, and Vigil.

Agenda Item 3: Review and consideration of revised TSHAC Bylaws

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, recognized Mr. Hayden Evans, TSHAC Committee Liaison to facilitate revised Bylaws for TSHAC discussion.

Mr. Hayden Evans discussed the TSHAC Bylaw updates. The updates come from recommendations and were prepared in accordance with ACCO standard template. Ms. Morgan Constantino, HHSC Legal Services Division, and Mr. John Chacón, HHSC Advisory Committee Coordination Office were in attendance to answer any questions TSHAC members may have about the bylaw changes. Mr. Hayden Evans presented the changes by stating each section in the bylaws and any change(s) that were made. Mr. Hayden Evans informed the committee that Ms. Bena Glasscock proposed changing the language of the description of the school counselor role to the language found in the administrative code.

Motion: Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, requested a motion to approve TSHAC Bylaws with suggested revisions. The motion was made by Dr. John, Kuhn and seconded by Dr. Michael Kelly.

The motion carried by a vote of Thirteen (13) Approve, zero (0) Disapprove, one (1) Abstain: Mosley, and Five (5) Absent: Fudge, Hoffman, Nelson, Simpson, and Vigil.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, reminded members to sign and date the statement by members page in their packet. Scan and send back to the School Health Program email address.

Agenda Item 4: Presentation from Health and Human Services Commission – Texas Targeted Opioid Response on Naloxone resources and tools for schools.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, introduced Ms. Kaleigh Becker, Program Specialist VI, Texas Targeted Opioid Response is addressing concerns and resources available to schools in Texas.

Agenda Item 5: Updates from subcommittees on document revisions and resources

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, announced the Health Education Document update will be presented at the next TSHAC meeting.

Ms. Karen Schwind, TSHAC committee member, presented the subcommittee's updates to the School Health Advisory Committee Annual Progress Report PowerPoint Template. This subcommittee inserted a "how to" use the template and made the presentation more user friendly.

Mr. Pete Silvius, TSHAC committee member, presented the subcommittee's review and updates to the School Health Advisory Council Self-Assessment document for school

districts to access. The updates consisted of editing language, removing overlap, and adjusting resources.

Ms. Bena Glasscock, TSHAC Vice-Chair, provided subcommittee updates on the Bullying Prevention Toolkit. Subcommittee decided to wait for final recommendation from Texas Education Agency's proposed minimum standards.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, announced the committee would not take a break since today's meeting was ahead of schedule. Mr. Rios continued to the next agenda item.

Agenda Item 6: Workgroup assignments for resources updates

Ms. Raiza Ruiz, TSHAC committee member and Manager, Community Health & Wellness, DSHS provided updates to the TSHAC Document Revision Schedule.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, called for volunteers to lead subcommittees noted in Ms. Ruiz's report. Mr. Pete Silvius volunteered to lead the review for Recommendations and Research on Physical Education. Ms. Maria Rivera volunteered to assist Mr. Silvius on this project (Recommendations and Research on Physical Education).

Ms. Nydia Cabra volunteered to lead the review on Physical Activity: Impact on Academic Achievement. Dr. Li-Yu Mitchell and Dr. Julie Gardner volunteered to assist Ms. Rivera on this project.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, called for any suggestions for other subcommittees.

Ms. Karen Schwind suggested updating the Opioid Addiction and Abuse Education document to include policy and regulations on Naloxone. Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, agreed and called for volunteers to form a subcommittee for the revision of the Opioid Addiction and Abuse Education document. Ms. Karen Schwind volunteered to serve as the subcommittee lead for this project. Ms. Bena Glasscock and Dr. Li-Yu Mitchell volunteered to assist on this project.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, called for any suggestions for other subcommittees. With no suggestions, Chair moved agenda forward.

Agenda Item 7: Updates from Texas Education Agency (TEA), Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), and Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

- TEA – No updates
- TDA – No updates
- DSHS – Ms. Raiza Ruiz – Dr. Jennifer Shuford has been named the new Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services. The nurse position for the School Health Program has not been filled and has been reposted. Ms. Olivia Holzum, TSHAC Liaison and Program Specialist III, resigned. Her last day was February 24, 2023. The position for Program Specialist III will post later that week. Ms. Hannah Krebs has been selected for the Program Specialist IV position. Ms. Krebs will start her new role on March 2, 2023.

The School Health Program submitted a grant application for a CDC Funding Opportunity. Ms. Ruiz stated the School Health Program expects to receive a status update by June.

DSHS recently redesigned its website. Errors on the new site have been identified. The agency is working to correct them.

Solicitation for TSHAC members is now live on the website for members whose terms are expiring. Commissioner of DSHS is currently accepting applications for the following categories:

- Parent of a school-age child currently enrolled in Texas school.
- School Nutrition professionals
- Physical Education Educator or Administrator
- School Counselor
- School Administrator

Application must be submitted by March 10, 2023.

Finally, the School Health Program has received bills to analysis for the 88th Reg. Legislative Session which started January 10, 2023 and will end on May 29, 2023.

Agenda Item 8: Open Discussion on current topics and trends in School Health.

Ms. Karen Schwind commented on the revisions of the DSHS website.

Ms. Schwind asked if there is a template school districts could use for developing Bylaws. She suggested that if a template does not exist, creating one would be helpful. Ms. Bena Glasscock asked if there is a template in the resource guide for SHACs. Ms. Raiza Ruiz confirmed the SHAC guide includes recommendations but not a template.

Dr. Li-Yu Mitchell shared that a high school in her school district started a SHAC. She thought other high schools also have SHACs with student leaders trying to figure out what would be helpful for their peers in terms of health and asked for confirmation. Ms. Raiza Ruiz responded that DSHS is not aware of any high school SHACs and turned the question over to the committee. Dr. Julie Gardner commented that she was not aware of any, and suggested this could be a future agenda item for TSHAC on how to get students involved in the SHACs. She also discussed a youth leadership program within Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and the importance of getting youth involved as it gives youth a voice.

Dr. Li-Yu Mitchell discussed a pilot project her school district is working on with implementing a wellness initiative within the school district. Project includes awarding honor cords to students. Academy of Family Physicians is thinking about making the pilot program available to other school districts.

Dr. Maria Rivera, asked for insight from anyone on the committee about protocol and procedures for threat assessment for homicidal/suicidal children and how to address the assessment results.

Agenda Item 9: Future TSHAC agenda topics and priorities.

- Threat assessments: suicide / homicidal students
- Mr. Eduardo Rios called for future TSHAC agenda topics and priorities to be brought to the floor.
- Ms. Bena Glasscock commented on Agenda Item 8. Ms. Bena Glasscock suggested the Texas School Safety Center has a guide you can contact for help. Dr. Maria Rivera thanked Ms. Glasscock for the information given.

Agenda Item 10: Scheduling of the next TSHAC meeting and future meeting dates.

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, announced the next TSHAC meeting may take place on Monday, September 25, 2023. Mr. John Chacón, Assistant Director, ACCO, HHSC advised Mr. Rios the September 25, 2023 meeting date is not definite. Mr. John Chacón stated ACCO will confirm the date, time, and place with Mr. Hayden Evans, TSHAC Liaison.

Agenda Item 11: Public Comment

Ms. Rebecca Austin, Representing RA United Enterprises pre-registered for oral and written comment. Ms. Austin did not attend the meeting or provide written comment.

Agenda Item 12: Adjournment

Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, provided closing remarks and thanked committee members and members of the public for their attendance. Mr. Eduardo Rios, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

Below is the link to the archived video of the February 27, 2023, Texas School Health Advisory Committee meeting that will be available for viewing approximately two years from date meeting was posted on website and based on the DSHS records retention schedule.

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