

SHAC Minutes for 12-3-24

Members of the SHAC met on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria on the secondary campus. Those present were Jenny Carpenter, Michelle Fairchild, Jill Chesson, Tamie Arnold, Lydia Nichols, Stacy Cabaniss, and Catherine Kern. The minutes from the October 8, 2024 meeting had been emailed to members prior to the meeting for additions and/or corrections. Jill Chesson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Lydia Nichols seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Counselor News-

IES: Annie Jones, IES Counselor, emailed an update to the committee, as she was unable to attend the meeting. The Elementary school was able to serve Thanksgiving meals to 20 families and is currently working on coordinating Christmas gifts for over 30 students. Students will be taking benchmark tests before the break: RLA on 12-4-24 and Math on 12-11-24. Students will be able to attend the Book Fair during school hours from December 9-13. It will be open to families from 5:00-7:00 pm during Annual Literacy Night, which will be held on Thursday, December 12th. There will be activities for families, pictures with Santa, as well as a photo booth and milk and cookies.

IMS: Allison Page, IMS Counselor, also sent an update to the committee, which was shared at the meeting. MS was able to serve 15 families Thanksgiving meals, and a total of 25 families from MS were served due to overlap from IES and ITM. Anyone interested in sponsoring a student for Christmas may contact Mrs Page, and will be given a profile of the student's needs, wants, and favorite items to choose from.

ITM: Ms Arnold, ITM Counselor, reported that 12 ITM families were served Thanksgiving meals, which included 5 that were purchased by Gateway Church. The church also donated 5 meals each to the elementary and middle school, for a total of 15 meals districtwide. HS will be sponsoring 13 families for Christmas, with 39 children who will be receiving gifts. Ms Arnold has placed flyers throughout the community and anyone interested in participating should contact her before December 6, 2024 to receive a student profile. ITM students will be taking benchmark exams on December 4-5, and Dual Credit exams will be held December 6-13.

Nurse News-

IES: Amber Chavira, IES Nurse, did not have any updates for the committee at this time. All required screenings (hearing, vision, Acanthosis Nigricans, and spinal) have been completed, and students who are new to district are being screened as they enroll.

IMS/ITM: Catherine Kern, Secondary Nurse, also reported that all required screenings have been completed. The Annual Report of Immunization Status, which is required for all public schools and accredited non-public or private schools in Texas, is due by Friday, December 13,

and will be submitted for Ingram ISD by December 6, 2024. ITM has decided to host the presentation *When Sean Speaks*, featuring Sean Carter and his mother Jenny, every other year. Sean and Jenny shared their powerful story about the consequences and choices associated with drunk driving during the 2023-2024 school year. Middle School 7th and 8th grade students will be participating in the *Worth the Wait* program during the Spring semester. Ingram ISD partners with The Parenting Resource Center in Kerrville to bring this abstinence-based presentation to students. Parents will be receiving a letter detailing the program and will have the option of allowing their child to attend. Boys and girls will be separated during the program for an added level of comfort. Also during the Spring Semester, High School students will be attending a presentation about the dangers of and risks associated with Fentanyl use and exposure. This will be scheduled by the secondary nurse, and more information will be shared with the SHAC as it is available.

Gym News-Michelle Fairchild, teacher and coach at IES, shared the results of the annual Walkathon with the committee. The Walkathon was held on November 22 at the ITM track, and the school walked close to 1600 miles total. Students will be receiving awards for their accomplishments during a ceremony on December 6. Hill Country Telephone Cooperative and Student Council provided the turkeys for the annual Turkey Bowl, which was held in the IES gym on November 22. Students in 3rd through 5th grade are participating in Fitnessgram testing, and have already completed the mile and curl ups.

Cafeteria News-Jenny Carpenter reported that the cafeteria served the annual Thanksgiving lunch to 350 students and staff on November 14, and 1068 people, including students, staff and family members at the Elementary School on November 21.

New Business-there was no new business to discuss, however, the SHAC was pleased to welcome Stacy Cabaniss, RN, from the Kerrville Health Dept to the meeting. Stacy will be joining the SHAC, and brings a wealth of information and knowledge that will benefit our students and families.

There was no further business to discuss at this time, and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria on the secondary campus.

Respectfully submitted by-

Catherine Kern, Secretary