SHAC Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2015

Attendance: Julie Blankenship, Jean Begala, Natasha Bryant, Ashlyn and Heather Day, Shelly Casper, Kimberly Frank, Lauren Hickman, Madison Jackson, Elyse Jensen, Karin Klemm, Stephanie O’Dell, Megan Rasberry, James Shoemake, Vanessa Vaughter

Called to order at 6:40 pm by Julie Blankenship

We welcomed the new members of our 2015 SHAC committee.

Next meeting will be a lunch and learn catered by Aramark on January 14, 2016 12-1:30pm

September 10, 2015 minutes reviewed. Motion to approve by James Shoemake and seconded by Danielle Stewart.

Vanessa Vaughter of Hopes Door gave presentation on their program Safe Dates Program which is free to the District.

Viewed a trailer for a made for TV movie; Reviving Ophelia for Lifetime TV.

1 in 3 teen relationships are an abusive relationship.

Preventing Dating Violence at the Middle School and High School level.

Programs:

Safe Dates: 8-10 sessions curriculum geared to 6th-12th grade. Meets the Texas Health TEAKS.

*See Handout*

Teens don’t know how to deal with the subtle control measures that boys tend to put on girls, such as intimidation, threats, social status – navigating the power/control wheel. Overcoming Gender Stereotypes. Healthy ways to feel anger. How to resolve conflict with nice words, not violence.

Start Talking: Peer led program. High School level only.

Coaching Boys into Men: Teaching young men that “manly” stereotype is not realistic or correct. Using Coaches to do a 15 min lesson once a week during practice.

White Ribbon Campaign: Pledge saying they don’t treat women poorly in private but also in the community. Some cities do this with Police, Fire, and/or Community Leaders.

Some of the programs can be tailored as needed.

Karin asked if Vanessa could do a professional development for staff, yes, they can.

Staff program called “In their Shoes” helps staff see life thru the eyes of the teens that they serve.

Karin stated the Safe Date program would work well in the Middle School level because of the number of students as well as the critical age groups.

Julie asked what if a child has an outcry. Schools are required to step in and help. It is hard to prove, so authorities need to step in. About 2% are false reports of abuse/assault. At age 15 they can get counseling on own without parental consent.

Karin would like to have someone come in and learn about the apps that kids use and parents need to know about. Kim Frank suggested telling McKinney groups about Homeless services.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm