

School Health Advisory Committee Minutes  
September 13, 2018  
Lee County Public Education Center  
8:30-10:00am

Members/Guests/Presenters

Beth Wipf	LCSD- School Nurse, SHAC Secretary
Leisha Roy	LCSD- Health Educator
Mary Fischer	Lee County School Board Member
Pam Peters	FSW- Professor
Beverly Tardiff	LCHD- Public School Health
Brendan Donohue	LCHD- Tobacco Free Lee Coalition
Casandra DeBoer	LCSD- School Nurse
Pat Freve	LCHD- Nursing Specialty Program, Private School Liaison
Sue Grohs	LCSD- Health Services Coordinator
Michele King	Director GCHS SWFL
Amy Carroll	LCSD- Supervisor Food Procurement
Lauren Couchois	LCSD-Registered Dietician Food Services
Deborah Comella	Drug Free SWFL
Terry Tucker	Southwest Florida Ophthalmologist Association
Heather Parker	LCSD-Wellness Coordinator
Lauren Harkins	MADD
Heidi Brescher	Fort Myers Police Department
Marcia Eckloff	Lee County Department of Health
Mary Beth Reindea	Lee County Department of Health
Ruthanne Thongkai	Student Fort Myers High
Jennifer Wolff	Evangelical Christian School
Yuri Velasquez	Lee County Department of Health

Meeting called to order at 8:30 by Leisha Roy

Introductions made by all present

Approval of the 4-12-18 meeting minutes

**New Business**

Nomination and approval of Lisa Canale, Lee County School Nurse, as new SHAC Secretary.

Pam Peters from Florida Southwestern College presented a PowerPoint on her study regarding Binge drinking among teenagers. The presentation showed statistics and data regarding how many students admit to binge drinking and reasons why they do it. The student included high school and college students who were interviewed for the data. Pam has been working with MADD in Lee County to get the word out about the dangers and concerns with drinking in under age population. Lauren Harkins, program coordinator for MADD also presented on statistics and

the decrease she is seeing in underage drinking trends. She wants to work with students in Lee County to continue sharing why drinking and driving is so dangerous and to educate the community on how to prevent more people from drinking and driving. She would like to see more MADD high school clubs in our Lee County Schools.

Ruthanne Thongkai, a Fort Myers High Student, presented a PowerPoint on Human Sex Trafficking in Lee County and Nationwide. Her data showed the increase in reports of children being trafficked. She began this project and presentation as part of her assignment for a school project but has become passionate about continuing to find ways to identify and stop sex trafficking in our area. She would also like to present her PowerPoint to the School Board. Mary Fischer will coordinate that effort and request her to present at the next School Board Briefing meeting.

### **For the Good of the Order**

Meeting adjourned at 9:55am