

SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 17, 2012

The School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) met on Wednesday, October 17, 2012, at the Elementary School Campus in Camp Wood with the following members present: Jimmie May Baxter, Doris Miles, Nicole Bingham, Veronica Perez, Kris Powers, Luci Harmon, and Karen Collins, and guest Fredlyn Wideman.

The meeting was called to order at 2 p.m. and the Minutes of the last meeting (May 23, 2012) were approved as read following a motion by Mrs. Baxter, seconded by Mrs. Powers.

Mrs. Powers reported that the Health Fair held on August 10th was very successful, and that plans are being made to have an even better one next year. Backpacks with school supplies, shoes, baby formula, and fresh produce were among the items given to those who attended along with informative brochures and health information. Representatives from UTSA were also in attendance.

The recent school and cafeteria inspections were reported to be very good, with no points taken away from any area.

Mrs. Widener from the Department of State Health Services stated that a bat was touched by students in a nearby school, and tests were being conducted to determine if it had rabies. She suggested that our school principals might want to distribute information warning students not to touch wounded or dead animals and all agreed this would be the right thing to do. She also spoke about immunizations and agreed to provide more information about what is needed and available. She also reported that grant money is available for nutrition projects.

Mrs. Perez stated a need for health and sex education for students in our lower grades, and Mrs. Harmon, Mrs. Miles, and Mrs. Wideman agreed to find useful materials and plan for meetings with sixth graders in the near future. Mrs. Harmon commented that she was meeting with a person on Friday that might have such programs to offer to us.

Members agreed that the next SHAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 16, 2013.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 following a motion by Mrs. Powers, seconded by Mrs. Baxter, and passed unanimously by the group.

Karen Collins, Acting Secretary