

Douglas County School District
Family Life Sex Education/Aids Committee Meeting
Administrative Services Building
Minden, Nevada
Monday, February 1, 2016

Minutes Approved
April 4, 2016

MINUTES

Present:

Committee Members:

Pam Gilmartin – Principal, Jacks Valley Elementary School
Jennifer Tyndall – Chief Nurse, Douglas High School
Carrie McGill – Teacher, Douglas High School
Sherry Martin – Counselor, Douglas High School
Vincent Gonzales - Student
Deonne York - Parent
Sarah Demuth - Parent

Present:

Brandon Swain, Director of Education Services Area 4

1. Call to Order

Mr. Swain called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

2. Public Comment #1

Valerie Cauhape from Carson City Health and Human Services shared that there has been a high number of young teen pregnancies reported at the Douglas County Clinic. This is an area of concern and they want to make sure that the young people have the resources needed to make wise decisions and protect their health moving forward. The Clinical Services Manager from Douglas County is offering the services of their nurses to provide one-on-one counseling or any other services that may be needed for these young teens.

3. Approval of Minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting

The minutes from the December 15, 2015 meeting were approved, as presented, by those committee members in attendance.

4. Review of possible replacement materials for 9th grade FLSEA curriculum

Mr. Swain discussed looking at alternatives in upgrading some of the pieces of curriculum that have become outdated. Mrs. Gilmartin did some research on models of the anatomy and books for a resource library for students. Handouts were provided with information on the following models: the human male prostate anatomy and a model of the breast and the male scrotum to teach students how to do self-exams. These models are very expensive. The information being provided for the committees review is from vendors with reasonable pricing. Books that were suggested for the resource library are: The Period Book - Everything you don't want to ask but need to know and for the male, What's going on down there – Answers to questions that boys find hard to ask. Mr. Swain suggested that a list of priorities should be made on what is most important to augment the curriculum. Currently, there is no existing budget for this area of curriculum. With the 9th grade now being at the high school only two sets of models would be needed and could also be shared between the schools. The curriculum is not being changed, we are just providing supplemental materials so that teachers are able to present and have children understand what it is they are trying

to teach in a more effective way.

In the 9th grade there isn't much anatomy taught, but it does go in line with the teaching of sexually transmitted diseases so models would be very helpful. The female pelvic and breast models, as well as a model of the male testicles with a linear cross section would be the priority. Mr. Swain will check with Whittell high school to ensure that they have the resources to purchase the same kind of models for their school so that both high schools are using the same resources. Many videos are outdated. The videos have to be viewed prior to purchasing and this is time consuming. Mr. Cramer knows of a few companies where partial videos can be previewed on-line. The teachers will have a discussion to decide which videos they would like replaced.

5. Make recommendations about changes in the existing curriculum as noted in the minutes from the December 14th meeting

No recommendations were made.

6. Public Comment #2

No public comments were offered.

7. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Submitted by,
Margaret Guzman, Administrative Secretary
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