Durham School Health Advisory Committee Meeting AGENDA

January 19, 2022 12:30-2pm Facilitators – Jim Keaten and David Hackney

Attendees: Natalie Byer (DPS, Board of Ed.), Morgan Medders (DCo Public Health), Mary Jane Palmer (DPS HR), Armenous Dobson III (Insight Human Services), Jamie Mancuso (Southern HS), Chris Soto (DPS, SEL/Mental Health), Jasmine St Denny (DCo Public Health), Erin Carroll (DPS, Outdoor Learning), Liliana Marin (American Heart Association), David Hackney (DPS), Raina Goldstein Bunnag (DCo Public Health), Teresa Dafford (DPS Comm. Ed.), James Keaten (DPS, School Nutrition), Brittany McCoy (DPS, School Nutrition), Deborah Pitman (DPS Asst. Superintendent) Icebreaker – What is your dream for this year? Welcome and introductions A lot of people are working on spending more time with family/friends, improving diet and exercise, self-care, and even writing a book! Summary of presentation (refer to slides for more detail) **DPS Outdoor Learning** • Opening activity – picture of a stick and a toy car– How might you presentation – Erin Carroll have played with these as a child? Lots of good answers. Theme - stick has more versatility, this can be applied to outdoor learning, there are many ways to approach it. Lots of benefits to outdoor learning – physical, social/emotional, equity, environmental, academic, etc. Outdoor learning in DPS: Want to build teacher capacity through school-based experiences and a network – BOLD Outdoor learning website https://sites.google.com/dpsnc.net/outdoorlearning/home Questions from SHAC: o How can we do more lunch/meals outside? O How can we get more of this information to all schools? (outdoor learning may help with winning alliance for a healthier generation award) School gardens – how can they be utilized at more schools? 1. Athletics – David Hackney **Updates** a. Most athletes are vaccinated. Not a lot of community spread within teams. Athletes are getting COVID mostly from out of school time b. In constant communication with nursing staff to keep athletes safe - making changes as needed. 2. Youth involvement in SHAC –Armenous Dobson a. Application will be sent out next week (week of 1/24) b. If you have any students in mind for SHAC, please email

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	3. Mental Health – Chris Soto
	a. Referrals are up significantly. It is good news that more
	students are being referred and served. However, there
	are capacity challenges. Mental health agencies are
	required to hire new staff to ensure schools have the
	needed clinicians to meet referral numbers. Hiring
	Spanish-speaking therapists is another challenge.
	4. Wellness Policy R&P
	a. Nutrition – Please look at attached R&P document and
	share any feedback with Jim and Raina
	b. Mental Health
	i. There is a new mental health policy for all DPS staff
	to have training. This is good timing for R&P
	updates.
	ii. R&P is drafted, just needs a few edits and can also
	pass along to full SHAC for further edits/questions
	c. Physical Activity – Elizabeth Sims is leading group and
	there will be updates soon. Will make sure to be in
	compliance with state PA/PE guidelines. Also will include
	creative ideas for teachers to include PA in classroom.
Announcements	Please complete <u>feedback survey</u> to help us plan meetings and
Aimouncements	goals for the year
	2. SHAC member announcements
	a. SNS – will start planning summer meals soon
	 i. Site application will be out soon. Please share with any potential sites
	ii. SNS will also look at open sites for the areas that are most underserved/food insecure –
	1. Comment - NE central Durham is area of
	need
	iii. SNS will be supporting DPS summer programs with
	meals
	b. SNS is working on restructuring department to align with
	DPS restructuring – provide additional structure and
	support for employees; SNS will also take over food
	warehouse functions
	3. Timing of SHAC meetings – need to protect student instructional
	time – maybe earlier in the AM when we get students on board