

**Wichita Falls Independent School District  
Health Science Advisory Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Michelle Wood, WFISD's CTE Coordinator

**PARTICIPANTS**

Andy Kumor- United Regional  
J. Robert Parkey MD- Hospice  
Ryan Matthews- Trans star  
Janet Hohertz- Midwestern HCC  
Amy Christian- Midwestern Health and Rehab  
Shana Drury- Vernon College  
Kathie Williamson- MSU Nursing  
Tammy Kueszwiski- MSU Respiratory  
Britany Schmidt- WFISD  
Carl Bishop- WFISD  
Sherrie Denham-Vernon College  
Nina Feldman- Vernon College  
Shonna Norton- Hirschi  
Ron Gordon- WFISD  
Kenny Hoffman- AMR  
Jon Reese- WFFD  
Melanie Krew- Health & Neck Surgical Associates  
Synthia Kirby, Carrigan  
Michelle Wood, WFISD  
Ann Work Goodrich, communications specialist for WFISD

**BUSINESS**

The group elected a chair (Kathie Williamson) and a Secretary (Shana Drury) to direct the meeting. A WFISD employee may not hold these positions, according to rules put forth by the Perkins Grant, which sponsored the meeting.

**OVERVIEW**

The community feedback from this meeting will help the school district put in place programs that will train students to ultimately meet community needs. The job of the committee is to guide and direct the school district in each area.

**COURSE SEQUENCES**

Students in the Health Science class are part of the Public Service Endorsement. Students now take their courses by following a list of prerequisites. They start as freshmen with the Principles class: Principles of Health Science, followed by Health

Science 1 where students get some medical terminology information. Student are currently enrolling in year 2 of the 4 year program. The third and 4 year courses are looking like Anatomy and Physiology, medical microbiology as a junior and seniors will have an opportunity to take nursing, EMT (dual credit), PT/OT, or Health Information Technology. Those details have not be solidified due to the programs not being offered for enrollment for 1 year.

There was some discussion over wording of documents making sure that students and parents are aware of what is obtainable in high school and what takes higher education to complete.

### **ENROLLMENT**

There are over 500 students in the Health Science program making it the largest CTE program in WFISD. Student enrollment for CNA will increase and many students are enrolling in CNA. Dual credit is the ability for students to enroll in a college and high school at the same time. Not any of the current classes would offer dual credit for students. ATC credit was also discussed as student have the potential to claim this credit if the instructor and the course is certified for credit. MSU spoke to the problem with A&P for their students as well as the patho students. Programs like health science where the ambulance was brought to school to talk about career options opened student's eyes to opportunities.

### **CURRICULUM**

Committee discussed the need for patient care reporting. All scripts at united regional has a "Award Winning" informatics team. MSU faced barriers because it is not student driven and they are using EHS tutor integrated in their sim center. Committee recommended having students take medical A&P that is taught by a RN or RT that focuses on disease process that would benefit students going into healthcare.

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

CNA, CPR, work toward EMT, not sure about HIM. For surgical and pharmacy techs send to Vernon college to work toward associate degree.

### **STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Currently there are two organization NTHS (National Technical Honor Society) and Skills USA. Our health science hopes to be part of those organization when the center opens in 2017.

We are also looking to start a HOSA chapter in Sept 2016.

### **SUPPLIES**

With the addition of the new center the health science programs will get lots of new equipment. We will be slowly purchasing items. We are aware of CNA items, but would like recommendations in all other areas. Your trash is our treasure so keep us in mind as you upgrade equipment to donate still working equipment. MSU stated that

they are getting all new equipment and was going to see if they had anything to donate. MSU recommends dry erase on some of the walls. They are using mobile live feeds from the boards and broadcasting to schools. They work with their AV department. This allows them to record simulations- box over an IP address. Make apt with MSU to see their set up.

### **SPECIAL POPULATIONS**

WFISD takes all kids, regardless of their disabilities, and will provide special accommodations for those who need it, said Mrs. Wood.

CNA is somewhat gender specific but we try to draw draws both men and women equally. Everything is ADA accessible.

Next year in all writing classes students will use career cruising to take interest inventories and incorporate more tours. It helps having male teachers teaching in our nursing classes.

### **OTHER**

The CTE Center will be 123,000 square feet. WFISD will move into it in the summer of 2017 to open Fall 2017.

The advisory meetings will happen two times each year. The next one will be in September 2016. Mrs. Wood will tap community input as she gets closer to purchasing equipment. Nothing has been purchased yet, she said.

The meeting ended at 4:40 p.m.