Critical Health Problems (CHP)

&

Comprehensive Health Education (CHE) Advisory Committee aka

School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)

January 8, 2014 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Illinois State Board of Education
Alzina Building
100 N First Street
3rd Floor (V-Tel)
Springfield, Illinois

Illinois State Board of Education James R Thompson Center 100 West Randolph Street, 14th Floor (V-Tel) Chicago, Illinois

Illinois State University Campus Technology Development Center 301 S. Main Street Room# 103 D Normal, Illinois

I. Opening Remarks:

Meeting was called to order by Chair, Yamani Hernandez at 2:40 p.m. Yamani welcomed everyone to the Committee Meeting and went over the meeting objectives. Roll call was made and quorum was established.

II. Committee Members Present:

Yamani Hernandez, Chicago Office, V-Tel Room Alexandra May, Chicago Office, V-Tel Room Jeffrey Clark, Illinois State University Sue Ickes, Illinois Association of School Boards

Lise Jankowski, Springfield, V-Tel Room (Proxy for DHS member Harris)

Committee Members Participating by Telephone:

Conny Moody, IDPH
Victoria Jackson, IDPH
Kim Peck, DCFS
Vince Champagne, DCFS
Linda Kimel, IL. Assoc. School Nurses

Committee Members Absent/Excused:

Tom Schafer, IDPH Dan Harris. DHS

ISBE Staff Present:

Jessica Gerdes, Chicago Office, V-Tel Room

III. Approval of Agenda Items and Minutes from October 2013 Meeting

Chair Hernandez requested that discussion on the US Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, pamphlet and guidance on education of students who are pregnant, be added to the agenda. There was no objection.

The minutes from the October 2013 meeting were reviewed, changes were recommended and approved.

1st Motion: Jeff Clark
 2nd motion: Sue Ickes

IV. Discussion and Decisions

- **A.** Jessica reviewed each of the following guidance documents being drafted by ISBE:
 - a. PA 98-0190, school boards adopt a policy on teen dating violence
 - b. PA 97-1147, sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention education
 - c. PA 98-0353, repeal public health notification to principal of student's HIV/AIDS status
 - d. PA 98-0441, comprehensive sexual health education

Recommendations for revisions to the guidance documents were made, and motion made to request that the revisions be forwarded to ISBE administration. Motion passed unanimously.

1st Motion: Sue Ickes
 2nd Motion: Jeff Clark

- **B.** U.S. Dept. of Education Letter to State Boards of Education regarding Teenage Pregnancy and education issues. This will be added to the April agenda for further discussion. SHAC committee will advise ISBE on this subject.
- **C.** Monitoring: Discussion on enforcement of existing and new laws regarding school health education. It was suggested by Jeff Clark that Jeff Aranowski (ISBE) be added to April agenda to discuss monitoring. ISBE will contact Mr. Aranowski with the request.
- D. Discussion on PA 98-0408, The Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. The Act was revised to add that school personnel must complete, within one year of hire and every five years thereafter, training by a provider or agency with expertise in recognizing and reporting child abuse. Vince Champagne of DCFS said that his agency has such training and because DCFS is the agency responsible for investigation and findings, the DCFS Mandated Reporter Training is the most logical and comprehensive source of the required training. The online training is a

module available on the DCFS website and can be accessed by anyone at https://mr.dcfstraining.org. The committee by voice vote unanimously directed ISBE to include the DCFS training resource on any guidance document or other information provided to schools about the Act.

1st motion: Jeff Clark
 2nd motion: Sue Ickes

- **E.** Vince Champagne led discussion on a letter sent to local superintendents at the beginning of the school year to raise awareness about child abuse and neglect. The letter referred to "You Are Not Alone" campaign, and encouraged schools to publicize the campaign locally. Mr. Champagne will provide the letter to ISBE staff for distribution to the others on the committee.
- **F.** Conny Moody and Jessica Gerdes briefly reported on the status of the new learning standards for physical development and health, which completed public review comment period and is up for a decision by ISBE later this month. The changes to the learning standards were a part of the Enhance PE Task Force on which Ms. Moody served.
- G. Chair Hernandez led a discussion about future projects of this committee and how the committee should focus on education, resources, policy, monitoring and accountability. The committee is interested in learning more about how the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act can be revised to improve delivery of school health education. It was decided that in order to learn more about the process, State Rep. Linda Chapa-LaVia, who is a frequent sponsor of school health legislation, be invited to a future meeting, as well as someone from ISBE legislative staff.
- H. The committee discussed "mapping out" current health curriculum at the next meeting. Discussion would involve how to survey schools to learn what is what is taught/not taught in relation to Illinois Learning Standards and legislative requirements, and draft of a proposal to a legislator for revisions of the Act. ISBE staff was asked to re-send a document that contained all the known legislative requirements concerning school health education mandates.

V. Public Comment

There were no members of the public at any of the three locations of this meeting.

VI. Future Meetings:

A. The remaining meetings this calendar year were set for July and October, 2014. Secretary to SHAC Committee, Jackie Ruenzi, will search for potential dates and report back to the committee.

- **B.** Agenda for meeting April 1, 2014 would include:
 - a. 1. Discussion on issues around teen pregnancy and education
 - b. 2. Discussion with Jeff Aranowski of ISBE monitoring
 - c. 3. Discussion with Amanda Elliott or someone else in ISBE legislative
 - d. 4. Curriculum mapping
 - e. Other agenda items should be submitted to either ISBE staff or Chair during early March.
- **C.** Agenda for meeting in July or October to include guest State Rep. Linda Chapa-LaVia depending on her availability.

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

• 1st motion: Jeff Clark

• 2nd motion: Alexandra May

All in favor; meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.