



Child Health Advisory Committee

Minutes

July 21, 2022, 9:05 a.m. – 9:36 a.m. · Zoom Only

Call to order: 9:05 a.m.

Zoom: Josh Phelps, Ashley Williams, Gary Williams, Bala Simon, Lucas Harder, Dave Oberembt, Mike Motley, Tammie Works, Rosa Hatch, Sean Engle

Absent: Jerri Clark, Elaine Prewitt, Melinda Kinnison, Paula Rawls, Patrick Casey, Loretta Alexander, Cheria McDonald, Carole Garner

Vacant: Arkansas Association of School Business Officials, Classroom Teacher

Staff: Shannon Borchert, Shy Whitley

Guests: Faseeia Preston, Kathryn Motsinger, Beth Mathys, Gwen Robinson, Jessica Barker, Reanetta Caffey, Pam Hutchins, Sarah Brisco, Tommie Rogers

Quorum not met.

Review of June minutes: Reviewed with no comment.

Act 1220 & Coordinated School Health Reports: No updates to report.

Old Business: A. Williams, G. Williams, B. Simon, D. Oberembt added to subcommittees upon request. See list below.

- **Wellness Training-** P. Rawls, *C. Tucker, A. Williams, G. Williams
- **Physical Activity:** L. Harder, S. Engle, B. Simon
- **Mental Health:** M. Motley, L. Alexander, M. Kinnison
- **Child Nutrition:** C. Garner, P. Casey, J. Phelps, E. Prewitt, T. Works, D. Oberembt

*Non-member participants/stakeholder

New Business

Development of Recommendations: The upcoming CHAC meeting format will allow for committee business to be addressed first and subcommittees will meet after the committee adjourns. Coordinators will facilitate subcommittee meetings as needed.

CHAC Letterhead, Binder & Webpage Content: Updates are made on an as-needed basis.

Member & Non-member Updates:

Carole Garner (Arkansas Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics): Information regarding the Child Nutrition Reauthorization Bill is available [here](#). The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics priorities that are in alignment with the CHAC are:

“*National School Lunch Program:*

- Expand community eligibility to reach 9 million more students with free meals

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Next meeting: Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting Only

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- Offer emergency waivers or modifications on a nationwide basis
- Direct certification for children receiving Medicaid benefits
- Increase reimbursement rate of school meals
- Support school kitchen equipment and infrastructure improvements
- Provide technical assistance for schools to meet nutrition standards

Additional provisions included:

- Establish permanent nationwide Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program
- Address lunch shaming and unpaid meal debt
- Routine updates to nutrition standards for meal patterns to be consistent with most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans”

Tammie Works (Arkansas School Nutrition Association): Arkansas schools losing the school meal waivers made available due to COVID-19 Pandemic will increase barriers to feeding students and nutrition services budgets. Reaching out to state and national leaders to discuss the barriers and highlight the need to provide nutritious meals for Arkansas students was encouraged and the option of a letter from CHAC to Arkansas legislators was discussed.

Adjourn 9:36 a.m.