Wellness Committee Agenda & Minutes

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- A. Welcome & Introductions
- B. Overview of Committee Purpose & Policy
 - a. Board Policy 8510

Review of items tasked by board policy.

Overview of policy – school lunches, nutrition policies

- C. Review of Current Wellness Initiatives
 - a. Mental Health
 - b. Suicide Awareness

Current established committee through Rick Adding threat and suicide component On hold due to training at ISD Avoid duplication of efforts

c. Student Initiatives

Vegetable gardens

Eye Care (partnered with Lenscrafters) bussed student to sites for day, eye exam, lunch, free same day glasses, ended due to COVID but still able to send individual students

d. Staff Initiatives

Wellness competitions between schools (blood drives, walk clubs, listed on Wellness page). Activities tapered off due to COVID, thoughts to bring back.

Partnership with America Heart Assoc (Go Red Day) - successful

e. Nutrition Audits

Minutes on website, publicize goals/accomplishments Assessment every three years Community can attend committee meetings Focus on physical/nutrition education

- D. Identification of Initiatives for next school year
 - a. Focus & direction

Look at SEL committee (social and emotional support for students, Wellness committee focus on staff)

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Walking challenges

Benefits staff out to buildings

Nutrition education review – small pockets mixed in, but not primary in K-12 curriculum

SEL Committee – calming rooms, packets to parent with mental health resources, website can be overwhelming, work on suicide information for secondary schools. Looking forward on mindfulness, restorative practices, diversity and inclusion, trauma and resilience. Staff – cultural competency. Easily available resources through benefits/MESSA.

Hire staff for diverse resources.

Physical health – diabetic nutrition out of control, need education on what to eat, etc.; exercise, healthy eating. Outside resources brought in (MSU extension – nutrition education)

Review Wellness Page (community/staff), send links for resources to Terri, remove out of date information, CARES newsletters on website

- b. Any data collection needed?
 - Previous years surveys
 Mostly focused on what Wellness Committee should look like

E. Action Items

Next Wed

Update on website material
Links to resources/organizations
Additional ideas
Crossover/liaisons with other committees
Health Advisory Board (Brian Aiosa chairs)

Jenn to follow up with Frank for past data/John for past information

Next meeting

Set goals for 2022-2023 (add mental health as goal)

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