## School Health Advisory Council Meeting Summary American Lung Association of Florida

## March 8, 2018

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Introduction	Meeting led by Dr. Johanna Albrecht. She welcomed attendees and asked them to introduce themselves.	
Approval of Agenda	Approval of agenda following motion by Dr. Marsha Fishbane seconded by Dr. Cathy Burns.	Agenda approved.
Approval of Summary	Approval of summary following correction on the WPTF report, change Palm Grove to Pine Grove. Motion by Dr. Cynthia Clayton seconded by Dr. Cathy Burns.	Approved summary For 2-8-18.
Old Business	Mental Health Committee – Dr. Seth Bernstein informed that The School District was very busy last month after the Parkland shooting. The committee discussed the mental health and safety needs of the youths and the feelings of the students, faculty, educators and parents in the system. The committee offered to mobilize and help the District to go into schools to lead conversations with educators, school leaders or students. The community along with many organizations are supporting the District with behavioral health needs. The Healthier Together Initiative created safe spaces for staff and students to talk about their feelings and anxieties. The Mobile Crisis Team had an increased in call volume, as well as JFK Medical Center North was overwhelmed with clients. There are new guidelines for Baker Acts versus voluntary commitment being worked out at the State level. There is an emergency meeting of the executive committee of the Birth to 22. They created a mental health sub-committee that is meeting tomorrow looking at the increased needs for mental health services and safety of students. Deputy John Ledford, PBSO provides the Run, Hide, Fight presentation -aka, active shooter, if you are interested contact him at: <a href="LedfordJ@pbso.org">LedfordJ@pbso.org</a> . The next SHAC MHC meeting is on April 17th at 10:30 am at the MHA, all are welcome to attend or call in.  Wellness Promotion Task Force (WPTF) – Paula Triana informed that their last meeting on Food Security and Hunger Relief was well attended by 138 people. They distributed a survey on their Expo to receive feedback and additional collaborators. Their next WPTF meeting will be on April 19th, on School Safety. They are working on safety in the school, the playground and the whole school set up. Also working on the Florida Healthy School District Gold Application. They have been Gold level for the last four years, and hoping to continue that into the next two years. Working with the Palm Healthcare Foundation for the Let's Move Campaign. This is the fir	SHAC Mental Health meeting call in # 1-888-670-3525 Participants pass code: 3482285528 #  If you are interested in attending the District's WPTF meetings please email Paula Triana at: wellness@palmbeachschools.org with your information so that it can be added in the WPTF Constant Contact Distribution List and invitation/RSVPs will be forthcoming prior to each meeting.

**CDC Grant Advisory Committee** – Pete Stewart informed that they were not able to meet this month, but will meet next month before the SHAC meeting. The end of February they had Pink Shirt Day to recognize anti-bullying. They had many call after the Parkland shooting related to their *We Are All In Campaign*. PrideFest will be on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, they met with all their GSA students and advisors at the Norton Museum. They had three observers from Martin County that want to duplicate the presentation in their County. The school police are once again sponsoring PrideFest, last year they had about 200 students attend. The new Grant application is due on April 13<sup>th</sup> to fund these programs for another five years. They had it for four – five year cycle and are looking forward to the next five year cycle.

**School Health Services Report –** Ginny Keller informed that while they have many schools reporting high numbers of ILI (Influenza-like illness) symptoms this year, they are still considerably lower, nearly 2,000 fewer than this time last year. This can be attributed to the flu shots so many students have received this year.

## New Business: "Human Trafficking"

T. Smith, a Victim Witness Specialist for the FBI, stated that human trafficking is a form of modern day slavery. The FBI has human trafficking outlined in two parts: 1. Sex Trafficking and 2. Labor Trafficking. In order for the feds to get involved, it has to be considered severe. Under sex trafficking it has to be some kind of recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision of obtaining a person through the use of some kind of sexual act. If the individual is under the age of 18, they do not have to prove force, fraud or coercion. Under labor trafficking is recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision of obtaining a person through the use of some kind of force, fraud and or coercion. These victims are more afraid of the pimps than the law enforcement. They are threaten with their lives and the lives of their families. If the feds can prove that they are under the sex trafficking or the labor trafficking umbrella, victims will get benefits and protection regardless where they are from. The pimps will be prosecuted for rape, beatings, confinement, fraud and torture. Smuggling versus trafficking is a thin line but there is a difference.

Tanya Meade, Crime Victim Practitioner for the Coalition for Independent Living Options, stated that human traffickers could be anyone, male, female, young, old, students, different social economics, race or religion. Between 2010 and 2012 worldwide 30% of traffickers were women. Traffickers don't work alone, they usually have spotters or recruiters. Just like anyone can be a trafficker, anyone can be a recruiter or spotter. Kids are vulnerable through social media, a huge recruitment tactic, also in malls, parks, bus depots, bowling alleys, schools and parties. Anyone can be a victim, all victims have one thing in common: vulnerability. Traffickers develop caring relationships with their victims to gain their trust. The youths are more vulnerable, because of their age. Forms of trafficking: sex, labor, health & beauty, restaurants & food service, travel sales, housekeepers and much more. There are approximately 21 million victims in the world at any given time. That equals to about the entire population of Florida. Trafficking has been reported in all fifty States.

	Florida ranked 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the nation for reported call volume to the National Human Trafficking Hotline, Palm Beach County ranked 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the State. People who are trafficked have warning signs. If you see something call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1888-373-7888.  The Human Trafficking PowerPoint is attached below:  HTCPB SHAC TRAINING 03.08.18.pp	
Announcements	Patrice Schroeder informed that the 211 book has the Human Trafficking phone number and information. The School District has purchased additional copies to go out to the transitional grades. They have a student film contest, How Text Can Save a Life, for students' age 10-24 years old, prizes for \$500, \$300 and \$100. More information on 211PalmBeach.org.  Jamie McCarthy informed that March is National Nutrition Month. They are hosting a health fair at Acreage Pines Elementary next Tuesday, March 13 <sup>th</sup> during the school day. They have 15 vendors confirmed.	
	Alexa Lee students in middle school and high school can now sign up for the Youth Summit at PBCYouthSummit.org.  Allison Monbleau informed that Hungry Living has truckloads of FEMA food at the Palm	
	Beach Post Building for distribution. Notice was sent to principals to pick up pallets of food to distribute out to the students. Communities are also distributing food through different organizations. Get in touch with Allyson if you are interesting in registering.	
	Dr. Albrecht mentioned if anyone from the committee is not attending the meeting, please email Miguelina at Miguelina.Cesario@flhealth.gov a report on your committee.	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:38 pm. Next meeting April 12, 2018.	