

# **Bylaws of the Hemphill Independent School District**

## **School Health Advisory Council**

### Article I: Purpose

Section I: The purpose of the Hemphill Independent School District (HISD) School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) is to serve in an advisory capacity to HISD's School Health Program in order to promote student performance by promoting healthy lifestyles.

Section II: The School Health Program is defined as the structure that supports education through health education, physical education, health services, counseling, food services, a safe and healthy environment, staff/work site wellness, and integration of school and community.

### Article II: Membership

Section I: The council shall be composed of a minimum of eight members. Each member will serve a staggered two year term, and may serve for more than one consecutive term.

Section II: Members will include parents, other members of the community, and school personnel.

Section III: Candidates for membership must be interested in promoting healthy lifestyles through a well coordinated and effective school health program.

Section IV: Vacancies shall be filled by an affirmative vote of the majority.

### Article III: Meetings

Section I: All meetings will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order and meetings are subject to "open meetings" law.

Section II: Regular meetings will be a minimum of four times per year.

Section III: Regular meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the months aforementioned, beginning at 2:00 p.m., unless otherwise agreed upon.

Section IV: Special meetings may be suggested by any member and be called by one of the council co-chairpersons. Notice of a special meeting will be made in writing at least three days in advance.

Section V: Quorum: The presence of one-half of members present at any meeting, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting.

#### Article IV: Officers

Section I: Two of the members of the council will serve as co-chairpersons. The superintendent will appoint one co-chair employed by the school district. The other co-chair will be elected by majority vote of the council and must not be employed by the district. A secretary will also be elected by majority vote of the council.

Section II: The officers of the council shall serve a two year term, and shall be elected at the regular first meeting. The officers may have consecutive terms.

Section III: Any vacancies may be filled for the unexpired term by election of SHAC.

#### Article V: Amendments

Section I: The bylaws may be amended, repealed or added to, or new bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote of a quorum at a meeting duly called for the purpose according to the articles or bylaws.

#### Article VI: Committees

Section I: The council may establish one or more committees as the need arises.

#### Article VII: Communications

Section I: Any internal or external communication shall be reviewed and disseminated through the HISD office via mail, e-mail, fax, telephone or by any other means.

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