

School Nurse Advisory Council Meeting

Date: January 28, 2014

Minutes

Council Membership Attendance:

Donna Kosiorowski, Gary Brochu, Gary Maynard, Stephanie Knutson, Leah Hendricks, Steve Updegrave, Suzanne Couture, Theresa Kane, Verna Bernard-Jones.

Absent: Ann Milanese, Gayle Pagoni and Marie Burlette

Meeting convened at 8:45 am.

Item 1. Call to order

Item 2. Approve Recommendations of Connecticut School Health Advisory Council- Final Document

- Correction: "Steve changed to Stephen" on cover page
- Change- "the highest" to "a" before priority, page 2, first paragraph, last sentence.
- Motion made by Donna Kosiorowski to "approve Recommendations dated January 2014, with the correction and changes as noted".
Seconded by Gary Brochu. Approved by all participants in the meeting.

Final document to be submitted by Council Secretary, Marie Burlette, to Commissioners of Education and Public Health and Chairs of Education and Public Health Legislative Committees by 2/1/14.

Item 3. Determine meeting schedule for 2014-15

- February meeting cancelled.
- Next meeting: Tuesday, March 25, 2014.
- Same location at Department of Education, Middletown, 8:30 am- 10:30 am. Subsequent meetings, as previously scheduled, will be driven by the agenda.

Discussion:

SDE School Health Survey revision to obtain information on the qualifications of school nurses working in the profession; i.e. level of education- AD, Diploma, Bachelors, Masters etc. The current survey data provides status of nursing supervisors but none on school nurses.

- What needs to be done?
- What value is added by increasing educational levels of school nurses?

Members of the Council are asked to provide feedback on the Council's *Recommendations* from the organizations they represent.

Next Steps: For March 25, 2014

1. **(3) *Protocols for Emergency Medication Administration***- Donna Kosiorowski, Verna Bernard-Jones, Sue Couture, Leah Hendricks.
2. **(4) *Protocols for evaluating certain temporary medical conditions that may be symptomatic of serious illnesses or injuries***- Stephanie Knutson.
3. **Identify entry level qualifications for school nurses- Council members.**
4. **Facilitate meeting with Superintendent Group- Theresa Kane**
5. **Facilitate meeting with CABA- Gary Brochu**

Meeting ended at 9:15 a.m.

Recorder: Donna Kosiorowski