

Minutes for the District Wellness Committee Meeting on April 12, 2021:

Meeting was called to order at 9:00a.m via Zoom.

Welcome by Drew Cone.

Nurse Rachel Bond reported all nurses have completed vision and hearing screenings. They are still working on scoliosis and BMI screenings, which the State has extended the deadline.

Nurses continue to teach CPR and STB trainings to students and staff. VBSD has only 1 Covid positive test since spring break. Only 8 flu cases have been reported this year. Nurses are preparing for kindergarten registrations.

Roy Kendrick, Child Nutrition Director, provided April menus and informed the committee of the following:

All students are able to eat free breakfast and lunch until June 31, 2021. They still have to turn in to the State the amount of free/reduced students. Not sure yet if the State will extend free meals to next year.

Funds have been provided from the State to allow us to continue on our plans to start an aquaponics site to produce our own fresh organic fruits and vegetables to students. Plans are to start the project at the end of this summer if our maintenance staff is able to schedule it.

Working on summer feeding programs and fresh fruit and vegetable grants.

Aimee McCabe made a motion to approve menus; Becky Goerig seconded the motion, menus approved.

FoodCorps representatives Alissa Haskins and Jake Batchelor reported about the work going on at their respected schools. A lot of activities are happening in the gardens and in the classrooms. Earth Day event in Downtown Van Buren on April 24.

Miranda Curbow with the Guy Fenter Coop reported about a mental health trainings this summer.

Joni Padilla with the Arkansas Dept. of Health reported there are vaccines available at Sebastian County Health Unit.

Tristin Bolton, Extension Agent with the University of Arkansas System reported about the serve safe certifications required in our cafeterias. We have a 11 cafeteria workers that will be trained.

Drew Cone reported:

- The City's Colley Park is nearing completion and is open for the public with numerous trails to walk, bike, ride horses, etc.

- SHI reports at each school are due at the end of the school year.

- The VBSD held a staff wellness event called the Pointer Hotshot Classic

-The VBSD will be advertising all the trails and fitness parks at the schools for the community to utilize.

-Recognized our student committee members Bailey Woodard and Tanner Callahan.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00a.m.

This is all the wellness meetings for the 2020-21 school year.

Have a blessed summer!