



**Texas Action for Healthy Kids**  
***Steering Committee Meeting Minutes***

*August 5, 2016 — 9:30– 11:00 AM*

Attendees (call-in): Michelle Smith, Sandy Bristow, Patricia Mouser, Alice Kirk, Jim Conditt, Sarah Jefferson, Laurie Anderson (Katie Hargrove and Joann Knox not in attendance, but submitted written reports)

1. June Minutes (no July meeting) – Reviewed and approved with two minor typo corrections
2. Review TAHK budget: Year-to-Date budget for May received from AFHK. Approximately \$2200 balance for team use in current budget. New Budget for next year provides \$3,000 for Wellness Trainings and attending conferences, in addition to \$1000 for printing.
3. Old Business
  - I. Review progress on Grants/Reports:
  - II. Possible grant applications – BCBS/Tyler Foundation on hold
  - III. RGK Grant final report being completed
  - IV. Breakfast Grants progress – 47 grants currently total \$68,500. There will be 20 new Game On grants open next year for the 5-state area and Texas should receive some!
4. Reports of Conferences/Trainings/Meetings since June Meeting
  - a. TASN – June 19-22: Michelle presented to approximately 20-25 attendees
  - b. Texas PTA-July 22-24: Approximately 74 attended session and over 100 signed-up for AFHK membership at the booth. Very successful. Karen Burnell is the new PTA Healthy Lifestyles Chair.
  - c. ITS TIME TEXAS – Aug 1-2: Over 600 attended. Announced a new partnership between It's Time Texas and the U T Health system. A new "Healthier Texas" initiative is being developed.
5. New Business
  - II. 2016-17 Deliverables for State Coordinator/Other Plans: AFHK "Monthly State Coordinator Tracking Log" now streamlined and more efficient. State "Team Action Plan" will be submitted this month.
  - III. 2017 TAHK Summit Speaker Confirmed: Jessica Laurence, sponsored by DSHS  
Awards of Excellence: met w/THI and streamlined
  - IV. SHAC trainings/webinars 2016-17: tabled
  - V. Partnering for School Health with TEA/DSHS/TDA: short (30 minute) webinars scheduled with TEA, DSHS and TDA First one in Sept., on Whole Child Model
  - VI. Upcoming Meetings/Conferences
    - a. Wellness Policy training-Houston Sept. 20 (ESC 4)
    - b. SOS 2016 Nov 13-15 Houston TX
    - c. Dept of Ag Wellness Committee: Next meeting TBD. Jackie Cantu has changed positions and a new chair will be announced.
    - d. Wellness Policy training-Waco Nov 30 (Education Service Center)
    - e. Texas Obesity Awareness Week: Thursday 9/15/16 the Texas Health Champion Award Winner will be announced: Michelle Smith; Texas Action for Healthy Kids state coordinator!!

f. Agrilife Extension Agent Training will be conducted the end of August

VII. Awards of Excellence nominations needed-extended to August 31!

VIII. Monthly newsletter/website  
Newsletter going out late next week/still have time to get info in

6. Organization Reports/Other

Oliver Foundation: Sandy Bristow

1. Youth presented at Healthy Living Matters Meeting
2. 30 grant applications were received by the 7/15/16 deadline, for consideration
3. Ft. Bend ISD "Kids and Cops" camp completed 8/4/16. Very successful.

DSHS: Lauri Anderson

1. TSHAC will hold it's first meeting of the new year 9/12/16 and will include new member orientation of approximately one half of the committee.
2. TAPHERD webinar is scheduled 10/5/16.
3. Applications for the School Health Grants are available on-line.

It's Time Texas: Sarah Jefferson

1. The annual summit 8/1 and 8/2 was a big success, with over 600 attending.
2. The new partnership with UT Health System is being developed.
3. Dates for Healthy Texas Week are being finalized.
4. A new position is being posted for Impact/Evaluation Coordinator position
5. Kristin will be the TAHK contact while Sarah is on maternity leave (due date end of October!).

Texas Academy for Nutrition and Dietetics and Texas Association for School Nutrition; Tricia Mouser

1. Both organizations installed new officers this summer and updated contacts have been requested
2. Thanks to Michelle Smith for presenting the "Wellness Session" at TASN Conference in June.

AHEC: Jim Conditt

1. Excitement about Dell Medical School opening. They preceptor approximately 200 4<sup>th</sup> year medical students a year and there will be a transition period.
2. Summer Camps complete and planning for the new year is underway.

Texas Hunger Initiative: Katie Hargrove (filed report)

1. THI will be ending our contract with HHSC to support the Community Partner Program starting September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Below is a statement about the shift in our work resulting from this.  
*As you may have heard, the Texas Hunger Initiative is undergoing a transition and shift in funding streams. This will mean some changes in our staffing and office locations. We will be consolidating several of our offices, and, after Aug. 31, we will not have offices located in **San Antonio, Amarillo, Tyler or Ft. Worth**. These areas will still have continued relationships with and the support of and THI, even when there is not an office located directly in each city. While this was not in our plans, these changes allow us to focus our resources in strategic areas. We have built a strong team and will be able to keep a strong regional presence across the state. We are 100% committed to maintaining the integrity of the work we've done, continuing forward with the projects we have, and working to alleviate childhood hunger.*
2. We won't be hosting the "Together at the Table" Summit in Waco this year. Instead, we'll be joining two of our friends – The Alliance to End Hunger and the Texas Christian Community Development Network at their conferences and encourage others to attend one as well.
3. 2016 National Hunger Free Communities Summit: October 5-6, 2016, Indianapolis, Indiana  
Register >> <http://www.hungerfreecommunities.org/summit/>

4. 2016 No Need Among You Conference  
October 5-7, 2016  
Dallas, Texas  
Register >> <http://txccdn.net/events/no-need-among-you/>
3. Texas Hunger Initiative in the Rio Grande Valley created a pilot program with PepsiCo, funded by Share Our Strength, to bring vending machines that provide free meals to low-income children. [http://www.themonitor.com/mvvc/news/vending-machines-at-nature-center-to-provide-free-meals-for/article\\_692af152-5608-11e6-8145-bfed5957cd85.html?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_campaign=user-share](http://www.themonitor.com/mvvc/news/vending-machines-at-nature-center-to-provide-free-meals-for/article_692af152-5608-11e6-8145-bfed5957cd85.html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook&utm_campaign=user-share)

Dairy Max: Joann Knox

1. We have awarded equipment grants for improving healthy eating to schools. The list of schools awarded will be available next week. This grant was in conjunction with USDA and funded requests under \$5000.
2. Also it is official Dairy MAX is the Official Nutrition Partner of the Dallas Cowboys because of dairy's natural power to fuel star performance
3. GenYouth and Dairy MAX will be conducting a town hall meeting in October focusing on the Whole Child Empowerment in regards to nutrition and hunger, physical activity, leadership and the learning connection . If you are interested in participating reach out to me for more details.

Partnership for Healthy Texans: Michelle Smith

1. Working on priorities for 2017 Legislative Session. New co vice chairs.
2. Presented at "It's Time Texas Summit

Next Meeting: Sept. 16, 2016 at It's Time Texas offices  
October meeting 10/14  
November meeting 11/18