

## BOARD STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2022

### **Call to Order**

President Rivera called the Study Session of the Shoreline Board of Directors to order via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. on June 14, 2022.

### **Roll Call**

Present: Rebeca Rivera, President; Emily Williams, Vice President; Sara Betnel, Director; Meghan Jernigan, Director; and Sarah Cohen, Director.

The following topic was discussed:

### **2021 Healthy Youth Survey Results**

*Rebecca Anderson, Executive Director of Student Services, presented.*

#### **Background of Healthy Youth Survey (HYS)**

- Collaboration of WA Department of Health, OSPI, and public health agencies
- Administered in this form in Washington schools every two years since 2004 (except October 2020)
- Grades 6, 8, 10, 12 took it in October 2021
- Different forms have different questions so not every student answers all items
- Some questions are combined in some analyses

Ms. Anderson noted that because the survey was not administered in 2020, we lost the cohort data that we previously had. In previous years students were tracked as they progressed through the grade levels. This information should be interpreted with some caution. She stated she would be comparing many of the slides and the data shared with 2018 data but it's important to note that this is a different group of students than previously surveyed.

#### **Background of Healthy Youth Survey (HYS)**

- Carefully designed for accuracy and statistical reliability
- It varies by item, but generally a 3-5% difference over time or between groups is statistically significant. (Each 1% on the HYS item reports represent approximately six students, depending on the item and grade level.)
- Schools received their reports in mid-March
- State, county, and Educational Service District level data are available to the community at [www.askhys.net](http://www.askhys.net)
- District level results are password protected

#### **Use of Data**

- The Healthy Youth Survey data is reviewed at the district, school, and community levels.
- The primary users of the data at the school level are the school administrators, counselors and psychologists, health teachers, and any intervention staff.
- Although the results are in summary form only and there are no individual student scores, the staff review the results for their school to determine areas of improvement since the last survey and areas of ongoing or emerging concern.
- Past HYS results have been reported to the Board of Directors, the PTA presidents, and community service providers who are very interested in any trends which have implications for the services they provide.
- District staff who support students in various areas such as special needs, bullying and harassment intervention, and equity also review these results to plan for interventions and track progress over time.

#### **Shoreline School District Student Participation**

This year our participation was fairly consistent with statewide participation and also mirrored our participation in 2018. Although not required, students are encouraged to participate as the information is very useful.

- 566 (86%) of grade 6 students
- 606 (84%) of grade 8 students

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- 582 (81%) of Grade 10 students
- 476 (59%) of Grade 12 students

Ms. Anderson provided demographic information before getting started, showing the different ages through the grade bands as well as the home language of students who participated. There is also information to see a breakdown of race and ethnicity represented. A data point to analyze is identifying populations that may not have participated and encourage participation moving forward.

Director Betnel asked how the language selection option was provided. Ms. Anderson said it is provided by the survey. One of the first questions students are asked in the survey is to identify home language spoken at home with the option of choosing 'other'.

Director Betnel wanted to understand if that was how the survey had asked the question or was that reflective of the response rate somehow. Ms. Andersson said question ten on the survey specifically asked about language; the options given are English, Spanish, Russian, Ukrainian, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and other. Based on the survey question, it does not allow students to type in 'other', it just gives a specific percentage of students who selected 'other'. Something to note is several more students are identifying as questioning, something else, and indicating that they don't know what this question is asking. Therefore, we are seeing some different trends in that data. There are similar patterns regarding gender identity in terms of an increase in students identifying as either being transgender, questioning, something else, or more than one, and there is a decrease in the number who answered I don't know what this is asking.

The number of students who responded yes when asked about eligibility for free and reduced lunches significantly increased. This should be interpreted with caution as all meals this year were free to students due to the pandemic. That is something to note in this particular slide with this data point.

Ms. Anderson continued with a deeper dive into many different data points as she presented the PowerPoint. She noted different trends while comparing Shoreline student answers to the statewide numbers.

Ms. Anderson said without the cohort tracking it is difficult to really get a perspective on allover trends.

The Board gave praise and thanks to Ms. Anderson for presenting the lengthy, in-depth information and presenting it in a way that is digestible for everyone.

President Rivera concluded the session at 7:28 p.m.

Adjournment: 7:28 p.m.

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Rebeca Rivera, School Board President

Attest: August 2, 2022

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Dr. Susana Reyes, Secretary  
Shoreline Board of Directors

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