

**Human Sexuality Advisory Committee**  
**October 20, 2009, Meeting Minutes**

Present: Cole Williams, Olivia Lawson, Ashley Kallgren, Suzanne Allen, Sherri Driscoll, Wendy Beech, Don Jackson, and Kerri Comai.

Kerri Comai opened the meeting at 1:49 p.m. Given no public comments the regular meeting began immediately. The September 29, 2009, meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Kerri Comai reported the current status of the Gardasil presentation. Cindy Scharns is willing to approach Day One Health again to see, if they would be willing to present information on Gardasil in a community forum setting. Information concerning the vaccine and a question and answer period would be included. Kerri will continue to work with Cindy on this project.

The committee had a general discussion regarding the Youth Advisory Council. Sara Urspruch is Pennfield High School's student representative on the Youth Advisory Council. Suzanne Allen will talk with Sara regarding the operations of this council and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

The committee had a general discussion regarding the video, "Life's Greatest Miracle." It is still being viewed by committee members. We will discuss it at the next meeting and determine a recommendation regarding whether or not it should be considered for adoption. Those who had seen it had the following comments:

- Very scientific, very detailed
- Will students remain focused throughout the entire video?
- What are the targeted age groups to watch this video?
- Live birth is very graphic
- What is the intended purpose of using this video?
- Is it to supplement current curriculum or use in the parent library?

Suzanne reported the she and Mary Jo continue to meet with key individuals to attempt to align the current curriculum with the scope and sequence. A concern arose as to whether the scope and sequence is a guide to what should be taught when or what is actually being taught and when. Jerry Mueller, Curriculum Director, is also involved in this process. To date an attempt to get all the building principals together to discuss this issue has been unsuccessful, but Ed will put it on

the November 20, Administrative meeting agenda to discuss. Currently, instruction regarding HIV/Aids or human sexuality is not being offered in the high school. Among the committees concerns are...it is reported that we only have two teachers at the high school certified to teach the HIV/Aids requirement, HIV/Aids education should be addressed in every building, Health is a Michigan Merit Curriculum requirement - how do we handle students failing it in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade or transferring to the high school without the required credit for graduation, and how do other districts fit it in. The committee strongly recommended that the lack of HIV/Aides instruction in the high school be addressed by administration and brought to the school board's attention.

The next meeting will be Tuesday November 17, 2009 at 1:45 p.m. in the conference room at the high school. Please e-mail Mary Jo Andrysiak at [andrysim@pennfield.net](mailto:andrysim@pennfield.net) or call 441-9834, if you are not able to attend. Given no additional business the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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