

Minutes

District Safety Committee

9:00AM – January 17, 2014

ELSC, Room C254

Those Attending:	Absent:
Lorie Bateman	Jill Cirivello
Kandi Bekeris	Sue Clapp
Anita Brandon	Laurel Day
Tom Day	Kim Hernandez
Matt Dunbar	Suzy Ketelsen
Andrew Eley	Grant Schultz
Brian Gardemann	Rhoda Shepherd
Steve Graham	
Rob Kleinsmith	
Brian Krob	
Chris McGuire	
Tom Roth	
Gayle Schanou	
Denny Schreckengast	
Aaron-Marie Thoms	
Sue Wilber	
Richard Wright	

Welcome.

Mr. Graham welcomed members of the District Safety Committee for the morning meeting of the District Safety Committee.

Review Minutes. Motion to approve made by Mr. Dunbar; second by Ms. Bateman. No discussion, minutes approved.

Review Safety Concerns.

Ms. Wilber reported on two new concerns since the last meeting. Mr. Kleinsmith reported that the concern at Jackson has been addressed. The other concern regarding bleachers at Jefferson has been addressed by welding them shut at this time. Mr. Dunbar thought it is possible we have same issue at Washington regarding bleachers in the original gym.

Workers Compensation Update

Ms. Wilber provided a summary listing of injuries in January, sixteen injuries and only eleven work days. Eleven of the injuries were due to slips/falls and nine of the eleven were due to snow/ice. Mr. Dunbar shared procedure in clearing parking lots and use of sand & salt mixture. Ms. Thoms suggested communication to staff regarding district procedures for clearing parking lots and tips on walking in winter weather. Mr. Schreckengast inquired if we have a total number of slip/falls by students? Ms. Wilber indicated she did not receive those numbers but Ms. Shepherd would have them.

Ms. Wilber shared the message that had been communicated to staff for the month of December. The EMC review of kitchen safety had their first meeting on January 15, 2014.

Alternate meeting locations

Mr. Graham inquired about committee thoughts on having the February meeting at another location. Concerns expressed regarding parking at the buildings. It was determined committee could take a bus from the ELSC for a building site visit/safety tour. Ms. Wilber suggested it would be better to have the meeting at an alternate location in the spring either the March or April meeting.

Other Items of Interest.

Ms. Thoms shared that she was able to find break-away lanyards from wholesalers at a cost varying from .38¢ to \$15.00 per lanyard. Ms. Thoms thought maybe the district could use break-away lanyards as reward for safety measures, etc. Mr. Krob inquired if committee wanted to require buildings purchase break-away lanyards when ordering their own. Ms. Wilber will communicate recommendation to staff that they should be wearing break-away lanyards.

Mr. Schreckengast reported that the State Transportation department did not recommend placing stickers on the back of buses for reporting driving concerns.

The request for allowing the public to use the same safety concern submission website as staff was denied. If parents or public have concerns it is recommend they contact their neighborhood school so concerns can be addressed quickly by principal and building staff if possible. Ms. Wilber will send a statement to the buildings requesting they include it in their newsletters regarding safety concerns. Other recommended sources for placement of statement were the twitter and facebook accounts. Ms. Graham thought Ms. Hughes could give a number of recommendations regarding placement for public notice.

Mr. Gardemann shared concern for buses and narrow drives. Mr. Kleinsmith noted that the district is making long term plans to address concern and planning direction is to keep busses separate from cars but this is long term planning.

Adjourn 10:12 am

Submitted by Chris McGuire