



School Safety Advisory Committee Minutes
Thursday, November 21, 2019
2:00 pm

1. Establishment of Quorum. In attendance: Norman Comparini, Karen Fitzgerald, Alexandra Russo, Dr. Bruce Tabor, and Michele Morales.

Meeting started 2:04pm.

2. Public Comments. No public comments
3. Review and approve minutes of last Safety Advisory Committee Meeting held on October 21, 2019.

Norman moved to approve the minutes as written, Alexandra moved all in favor, motion passed 3/0.

4. Discuss results of shelter drill.
 - a. Update on Walkie-Talkie systems for all communities and Administration

Shelter drill done last week for tornado. Discussed how it was done and locations for everyone. Next drill will be a lock-down drill. Security locks have been installed in modular building. A badge is available for adolescents to come into the building. We are thinking about putting a fence up by the portables. We'll be getting a wifi phone for the portables.

Walkie-talkies: We will go with the digital Motorola unit Model DLR 1020 - 2 channels. We will need thirty of them.

5. Trauma Stations. Both are up. One upstairs and one by the primary wing, south side west entrances.
6. Safety concerns discussed and proposals to include in Safety Plan.

There is an issue with the barn doors. For the expansion we want to take all the barn doors out and put in walls. There are several options we can do in the meantime:

- Go into the floor and block out the bottom to close permanently.
- Support the bottom of the door and the top as well to put a permanent anchor into the wall to permanently close and close up the gap so you can't see through it.

We will give up functionality of the barn doors, but it would be harder to get through.

To secure the front office window area there are layers of kevlar material to take the place of drywall in that area. We can take a wall and add it to the bottom and it can take a lot of punishment.

Students emotional behavior instances: Ways of safe-guarding children and behavior in classrooms has been hard. Guides need to understand trauma. Communication with parents from/to school is very important so we know what is going on at home and can help children better. How do we get more people involved?

There are clear consequences on discipline issues. We need to figure out how to get more people involved.

7. Safety Budget allotments and recommendations from the staff.

Of the \$10,000 we have for safety. \$5,000 to be designated to mental health. Many of the behavior issue we see is because of some kind of trauma issue in their life. We will invest in a TBRI training kit and a social/emotional training kit. More energy needs to be spent on helping students and guides to learn how to cope.

The other 5K will be used for buying walkie-talkies. We'll be buying 30 of these. We will try and purchase by December 6th.

Cameras cannot see southside of the portables. Will get a new camera if existing camera cannot be adjusted to show that side. We'll get a 360 camera to see everything outside in back.

There is a new grant available. We will try and get speed bumps throughout the parking lot. We will also get a Stop sign and a right turn only sign. We'll get a gate by the primary doors to go across the street and that will be locked throughout the day.

Ideas that we might do: Security doors on primary wing. Capability of locking down all doors. Convert to automatically locking in primary wing. Changing the fence to a higher fence. Cameras that we will put out in the orchard so we can see everything out there.

Agreement on spending allocated amount to walkie-talkies

8. Next meeting date to be determined.

Putting together safety plan. Draft/ template sent out before meeting. . Next meeting Monday, February 10th, 2020, 2-3pm.

9. Adjourn.

Alexandra moved to adjourn at 3:05pm, Norman seconded all in favor motion passed 3/0.