



SAFE SCHOOLS ADVISORY COUNCIL – MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2025

Meeting attendees: Ron Crowe, Dawn Harman, Justin Wilk, Erica Tredinnick, Jennifer Donnelly, Heather Martinsen, Denise Walker, Neville Welch, Douglass Kastens, Kat Meints, Anna Houseworth, Inmar Romero, and Kim Mercer

Members absent: Vern Bock, Maram Cadwell, Zulma Santos, Tarrazzia Martin, Denise Huebner, Rod Hall

Call to Order, Adoption of Minutes:

- 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Crowe.
- Motion made by Justin Wilk to adopt February minutes; seconded by Erica Tredinnick; 13 aye votes – minutes approved.

Citizen Comment time:

- Dr. Robin Norris
 - Understanding Dyslexia and school safety

Online Safety for Kids:

- Create climate of safety
- Processes to protect against dangers
- CIPA internet safety policies include monitoring online activities
 - No collection of data from under 13 years old
- AI turned off in school division, although Microsoft Copilot is allowed
- 1:1 student devices
 - 51,600 iPads
 - 46,000 laptops
 - 10,000 staff also have devices
 - Microsoft is the primary platform
 - 290 approved apps
- Tech refresh every 5 years
 - Regular reinvestment
 - Repurchase is spread out through leasing options
- Cyber threats
 - From nation-state and geographic areas
 - We use crowd strike
 - Secret Service helps when there are signs of potential threats
- PWCS monitors then hands off to Ron and his team
 - They have locations of all computers
 - Safe search is utilized
 - Sentinel one, end point antivirus scans files
 - Lightspeed monitors all web activity and indexes everything people use
- BARK
 - Connects physical and mental safety
 - Provides alerts

- Monitored 24/7
- Will give immediate alerts
- Work with DHS, Virginia Fusion Center, DoJ, FBI, and PWCPD
- FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
 - If a student does something wrong in school, then law enforcement can have access to data, otherwise they need a warrant
- **Stop, Start, Continue**
 - **STOP (no more reports or has been accomplished)**
 - We are providing adequate security measures and will do an annual assessment
 - Comprehensive knowledge and security procedures
 - Completion of CCTV upgrade
 - Standardized SSO uniforms
 - Engage in after-action assessment
 - **Start**
 - Focus on leadership development by SSOs
 - Earn nationally recognized credentials & certificates
 - Novice certificate cohorts
 - New administration institute
 - Admin intern induction
 - Emerging
 - Certification cohorts
 - Associate protection professional or professional certified investigator
 - Practicing/Proficient
 - Security fellowship and can be a Certified Protection Professional
 - **Continue**
 - 90% of secondary schools feel safe
 - All secondary schools have active SAVE club
 - Enhanced focus on training students & staff in best practices
 - Establish mentoring program for SSO
- **Current tech effort**
 - Vape detector test rollout
 - SOC/Everbridge updates
 - PA announcements via app
 - Smartboard cross notifications
 - Synergy reunification software
 - Firearms detection & alert via CCTV
 - If they detect a weapon, the CCTV cameras will specifically follow that person
 - Divisionwide standardized SSO report writing.
 - Security Data dashboard

Adjournment: Motion and seconded

Next meeting: Monday, April 7, 2025