

Safety Committee Agenda/Meeting Minutes

April 13,2023

6:00-7:00p.m.

High School Library

Attendees:

Officer Don Wilson (DARE/SRO)

Garrett Baker (Community Member)

Officer Jason Huelsman (DARE/SRO)

Scott Gilbert (Exec. Director of Business)

Kyle Martin (High School Principal)

Jessica Jones (Asst. Principal-Clearcreek)

Jeff Rippl (Asst. Principal-Dennis)

Garrett Baker (Community Member)

1. Grant Fund Improvements:

The committee reviewed the improvements the district has made utilizing the \$300,000 district safety grant from the State of Ohio. The district has utilized this funding to make improvements in each of our buildings and operations. These improvements include:

- Installation of Vape Detection system installed at the high school and junior high school. Mr. Martin has made a positive impact at the high school.
- Installation of new video surveillance software that provides greater flexibility in viewing capabilities
- Replacement of older analog video surveillance cameras, in each building, to IP cameras
- Adding video surveillance in various areas as collaborated with the building administration team
- Replacement of older card access fob readers at buildings
- Installation of a second repeater to provide redundancy for the district mobile radio system
- Installation of new fire doors at the high school
- Installation of new video surveillance software for the bus camera system, pilot project for approximately 15 buses, to more effectively and efficiently download video footage when applicable
- Installation of new directional signage at the main campus (HS/JH/Dennis/Athletic fields)
- Purchase of additional mobile radios
- Installation of new AI phone at Clearcreek Elementary exterior main entrance

2. UComprehensive Emergency Management Plan/Other legal updates

Scott Gilbert communicated the Emergency Management Plan for the district has been updated and approved by ODE. Additionally there are two new laws that were recently passed which include HB123 and Erin's Law in which handouts were provided to the committee members.

3. Building Drill Update

Officer Huelsman provided an update on the 2022-2023 building security drill requirements and all drills have gone well and are being finalized for the year.

MARCS radios have been checked and are fully operational.

Officer Don asked regarding classroom window coverings. Jessica communicated at Clearcreek some do have a covering but it is only utilized in emergent issues such as an interior intruder. Officer Don communicated it is best not to have a window covering to better allow responders to visualize the space.

4.. **Recent Events:**

Officer Don discussed and provided a summary of the most recent shootings in Nashville, Tennessee and Louisville, Kentucky. Officer Don also provided a brief history of how the district has been proactive in establishing protocols in evaluating any threat situation.

5. **Any Other Issues/Questions?**

The committee discussed the possibility of changing the start times for Safety Committee meetings from evenings to late afternoon. It was discussed that most district committees meet during the morning hours, approximately 9:00 a.m... It was determined that if we changed a 3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. start time would be best instead of mornings.

This was the last meeting for 2022-2023. A schedule for the 2023-2024 meetings will be forwarded to the committee in May 2023.

Erin's Law

- Mandates child sexual abuse prevention
- Went into effect **Apr 4, 2023**
- Ohio was the 38th state to pass Erin's Law
- Requires 1 hour of age appropriate education on Sexual Abuse Prevention (K-6) and Dating and & Sexual Violence Prevention (7-12)
- We must utilize an Ohio Department of Education approved evidence based program
 - ODE has not indicated which programs are approved as of 4/4/23

Safety and Violence Education Students (SAVE Students) Act (House Bill 123)

- This bill was enacted by Ohio's 133rd General Assembly regarding school security and youth suicide awareness education and training.
- It will go into effect **Jul 1, 2023**
- It requires annual training for students in grades 6-12 in three areas (one hour each)
 - Suicide Prevention
 - Violence Prevention
 - Social Inclusion & Belonging
- We must utilize an Ohio Department of Education approved evidence based program

What must we do within our district to address each of these laws?

- We are currently delivering content to address Erin's Law in grades 1-5 utilizing the Child Safety Matters (CSM) curriculum.
 - We will continue to use this curriculum as we are comfortable with meeting the goals of the program regarding sexual abuse prevention for our students.
 - We will need to expand our program to kindergarten next school year. We have a kindergarten curriculum for CSM and will choose which lessons to expand to kindergarten.
 - If CSM is not chosen by ODE, we will explore the curriculum that is and add it onto what we are currently delivering.
- We will work with our mental health, counseling, and administrative teams to develop a calendar for the delivery of curriculum for the SAVE Students act in grades 6-12.
 - We will learn more about offered curriculum
 - We will work to establish teams to deliver curriculum
 - We will work on parent/caregiver messaging about the mandate and what we will be teaching in the 2023-24 school year. Most of the training will be semester one with implementation semester two.