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BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMITTEE – SCHOOL SAFETY
MINUTES
April 16, 2024

This meeting is a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee – School Safety of the Board of Education held in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

PLACE OF MEETING: Douglas Elementary School Upper EI Learning Commons
261 Randolph Street

TIME OF MEETING: 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

Amanda Frank called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Frank Marro III, Eric Birkholz, Amanda Frank

Dr. Tim Travis, Candy Crabill-Klynstra, Dr. Mark Smaller

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

4. ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA

Amanda Frank noted we would be tabling some of the agenda items for the next meeting to allow plenty of time for our guest speaker. Specific agenda items were tabled as noted below.

5. COMMITTEE GUEST

- a. Bob Tease, OAISD Director of Security Services**

Committee guest Bob Tease has extensive knowledge and experience on the subject of school safety and works within the OAISD to provide school districts support regarding school safety. Mr. Tease provided background information regarding school safety best practices to the committee. He engaged in a lengthy question and answer session with committee members. He discussed various models of law enforcement involvement within school districts. He also discussed law enforcement involvement in a Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) team. He discussed various training and communication/learning opportunities for school districts and law enforcement community partners/SROs with respect to school safety in the OAISD and beyond. He provided names of additional helpful contacts within the OAISD (those with mental and behavioral health expertise) and the Michigan State Police (from the Office of School Safety).

6. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

a. General update

Dr. Travis provided a detailed update regarding continued training for district faculty and staff regarding school safety.

b. SEC assessment update

Dr. Travis reported that initial information has been exchanged and he is coordinating dates for the onsite assessment. SEC should issue a report to Dr. Travis approximately 4-6 weeks after the onsite assessment.

7. DISCUSSION

a. Be Smart

i. Frank Marro to provide update

Item tabled until our next meeting.

b. Final report features

i. Continue discussion of general outline of final report to help guide committee progress over time

The committee briefly discussed final report features, but largely tabled the discussion until our next meeting.

c. Resource Mapping

- i. Begin discussion of resource mapping

The committee briefly discussed resource mapping, but largely tabled the discussion until our next meeting.

- d. Data collection

- i. Eric Birkholz to provide update
- ii. Continue discussion of categories of data to be collected and process for collecting

Eric Birkholz discussed potential categories for district-specific data collection. Eric will report back on these categories of data at our next meeting. The discussion of other data collection was tabled until our next meeting.

- e. Committee guests

- i. Amanda Frank to provide update

Amanda Frank reported that Amanda and Dr. Travis will be meeting with Chief Kent of the Douglas Police Department and Captain Ensfield, the Operations Commander of the Allegan County Sheriff's office. Amanda and Dr. Travis will invite them both to be committee guests.

- ii. Discussion regarding future guests

- f. Stakeholder input

- i. Continue discussion of input to collect and process for collecting

The committee briefly discussed potentially using an anonymous survey to allow for teachers and staff members to provide their input regarding school safety within the district. Difficulties with this approach were noted. This item was largely tabled until the next meeting.

8. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Minutes

- i. Approve minutes from 3.18.2024 School Safety Committee meeting

The committee approved the proposed minutes from the 3.18.2024 School Safety Committee meeting.

b. Upcoming meetings

i. Select date for May and discuss agenda items

Given the full school calendar of events in the month of May, the committee selected June 4 at 6:30 pm, location to be confirmed, to be the next committee meeting date.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

10. UPCOMING DATES

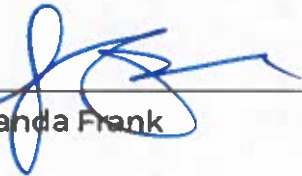
Next committee meeting will be held on June 4, 2024 at 6:30 pm, location to be confirmed.

11. ADJOURN

The chair must adjourn the meeting.

Amanda Frank adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Frank