

Minutes of the Safe Schools Committee  
Regional School District 14 [www.ctreg.org](http://www.ctreg.org)  
January 25, 2019

The Safe Schools Committee met on Friday, January 25, 2019 in the Conference Room of the Central Office, 67 Washington Ave, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present were committee members Janet Morgan, Maryanne Van Aken, Mike Devine, Mike Molzon, Julie Luby, Jodie Roden, Sgt. Roden, Cono d'Elia, Wayne McAllister, Dr. Olzacki. Also in attendance via phone conference was Mo Mirpuri from Raptor and BOE clerk Natascha Schwartz

Missing: Suzi Greene, Bill Nemec, Alyce Misuraca, Carol Ann Brown.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Van Aken at 12:03 pm.

Ms. Van Aken introduced Mo Mirpuri of Raptor Technologies who joined in by teleconference to present the Raptor Visitor Management System which is designed to keep control over visitors to the schools. This system flags unsafe visitors and registered sex offenders to keep the schools safer. The committee had further discussions after the presentation and decided to move forward with system installation.

Ms. Luby was asked to share information regarding the temporary cameras at NHS. She advised where the new cameras have been placed and discussed when the balance of the cameras will be installed.

The committee went on to discuss the possibility of installing vaping detectors in all of the bathrooms at NHS.

Sgt. Roden advised the committee when ALICE training will be taking place in each school.

Ms. Van Aken stated that the BOE received a letter from Woodbury Ambulance advising that they would be happy to have Bethlehem help out with overflow emergency calls should WAA (Woodbury Ambulance Association) be unable to respond. She added that the ambulance company needs a memorandum of understanding put into place before this can happen.

Ms. Morgan requested that the vaping policy and vaping detectors be added as a topic of discussion for the next BOE meeting on February 4, 2019.

Other business:

Sgt. Roden discussed the two social media incidents which happened in the schools over the past month. He was pleased to inform the committee that Officer Marsh came up with a social media "how-to" reference guide for parents. Sgt. Roden went on to mention that the State Troopers office and ASAP (Advocates for Substance Abuse Prevention) would like this to be a co-sponsored event for parents. They are currently looking for dates and locations to capture as many parents as possible. The target audience would ideally be for 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade parents and they'll also be looking for some help from the district to get the word out.

Ms. Luby attended the Edusafe conference and let the committee know that it raised some good ideas and questions. She will forward the information to Ms. Van Aken.

Mr. Devine asked what initiatives have been put into place for the "See something, Say something" campaign. Ms. Roden advised that her building has approached it in several ways: Working with Officer Bobby, the students have created posters, have learned about treating people with kindness by opening doors, etc. and students have presented to their peers during the lunch waves. Ms. Luby advised that Officer O'Toole started up a safety club for NHS students who meet Wednesdays after school and they are working on how to create a student generated campaign. Ms. Van Aken asked if Dr. O could get an update from WMS and BES

Hearing no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12pm

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "N. Schwartz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Natascha Z. Schwartz  
Regional School District 14 Board Clerk

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