

Minutes of the Safe Schools Committee
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March 30, 2017

The Safe Schools Committee met on Wednesday, March 30, 2017 in the Conference Room of the Central Office, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, Connecticut.

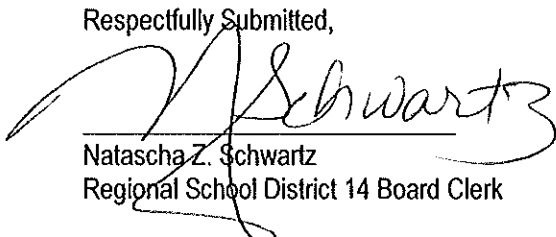
Present were committee members Maryanne Van Aken, Carol Ann Brown, Dr. Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Wayne McAllister, Bill Nemece, Mike Molzon, Sgt. Joe Roden, Janet Morgan, and BoE clerk Natascha Schwartz. Absent: Officer Cono d'Elia, Kim Culkin, Bill Butterly, Len Assard, Mike Devine

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Van Aken at 11:07 am.

- 1) Outside numbering: The committee continued their previous discussion regarding outside numbering of buildings
- 2) Indoor cameras at NHS: The region is in discussion on how and when the indoor cameras will be installed during the renovation project.
- 3) Social Emotional education follow up – Dr. Anna advised that Ms. Fensore shared that PL was done and is hoping to have all staff members trained. All teachers are implementing the second step curriculum. The Middle School curriculum will be worked on to add some components to it.
- 4) SROs use of body cameras – no consensus on the legislation, but it is recommended. Dr. Anna to seek legal counsel and have a more concrete answer for the next meeting.
- 5) Background checks for construction workers during NHS renovations: To make sure that all workers are background checked in advance and have some form of identification. To confirm with O&G.
- 6) School/climate/racial issues at NHS: search survey results – need to work on getting programs/workshops in place at all levels within the community
- 7) Other business:
 - a. Ms. Van Aken and Sgt. Roden attended the quarterly statewide SRO meeting – Next meeting will be hosted by Region 14.
 - b. Dr. Anna asked what the impact would be to the SRO MOU if there is no Resident State Trooper in Bethlehem. Sgt. Roden commented that it would result in all SROs losing 500 hours of work. The MOU would need to be renegotiated so that to have daily coverage, the region would need 6 people at 1000 hours. This would equate to 6 part-time SRO's to cover the 4 schools. Sgt. Roden also advised that for Bethlehem only, the Woodbury Police chief would need to determine if he would deploy a Woodbury officer to Bethlehem Elementary School, understanding that almost 50% of students that attend Bethlehem Elementary are Woodbury children.
 - c. Mr. Nemece brought up the afterhours parking when parents are picking up students after activities. Currently there is a lot of congestion and he was looking for a solution going forward.

Hearing no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:14pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Natascha Z. Schwartz
Regional School District 14 Board Clerk

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