



Scranton School District

425 N. Washington Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503

Workplace Safety Committee Meeting Minutes 10/22/2019

A regular meeting of the Scranton School District Workplace Safety Committee was held on October 22, 2019, at the Administration Building in the 2nd floor training room.

Chairperson: Bert Gentilezza called to order 3:30 pm

Secretary: Lois Hubshman

Attendance/Sign In

Present: Paula Giordano, Sharon Volpe, Tricia Natale, Melinda Conforti, Gerard Robison, John Sinclair, Luann Henehan, Christina Horne, Heather Moran, Mario Emiliani, Mike Montoro, *Molly Abdalla (certificate of completion needed)*, *Maggie Cosgrove (certificate of completion needed)*, *Nicole Valenzano (certificate of completion needed)*, *Carl Pugliese (certificate of completion needed)*

Visitors:

Sergeant Tom Carroll

- Welcome
- September 24th minutes approved – Jay Robinson ; Tricia Natale
- Molly discussed current federal grants that they are working on for the schools.
 - \$4,500.00 grant to go to cameras for Adams and Armstrong (we should get)
 - \$450,000.00 grant – must submit by November 4th. This grant is competitive and we will not know until possibly February. Molly will be looking for data to back the grant such as surveys and MG Tactical assessments. Money would be spent on
 - cameras for all remaining schools that need upgrades (approximately \$270,000.00)
 - PA system upgrade and South Intermediate and WSHS based on need (approximately \$100,000.00 per building)if money remains it will go to radios. If money remains beyond that she will look into the possibility of adding an additional SRO at WSHS. She will have to contact the chief of police to see if that is an option because district pays ½ and SPD pays ½
- In response to the recent events at both high schools Safe 2 Say committee has come in to speak to the students 6-12. Combined efforts from AGs office, SPD, Sandy Hook Promise, and district administration explained to students that the safe 2 say platform is a great program if it is not abused. Anonymity remains unless it is abuse to cause a crime.
- Sergeant Tom Carroll – SPD is working with the district to help create a safety plan. They will use WSHS as a model. Plan is to “simplify jobs” make sure everyone knows what their “roll” should be in an emergency
- Some members on the committee do not have their certificate of completion for the safety committee training. These members will have to get this certificate in order to be considered members of the district safety committee (state guidelines)

Building Concerns

- Ann Grebek and Paul Dougherty worked with each school to compile a list of safety concerns in each building. Concerns we submitted and distributed at 10/22/2019 meeting. (see attached emails/list)
- Additional concerns (not on original lists)
 - Adams
 - Brick is pulling away from building on wall near gym/playground. Possible from water damage. Carl will go to building to check

- old phone system/no caller ID
- Robert Morris
 - Basement wall in need of repair. Pictures submitted. Carl will go over and look at wall to repair
- Bancroft
 - 2nd floor boys bathroom roof leak
 - Girls bathroom water damage
 - ESL room – water pouring from radiator when heat is on
 - Sewer pipes leaking in basement
 - Carl will go to building to assess
- ECA
 - No Raptor System

Next Meeting (s):
November 26, 2019
December 17, 2019
January 28, 2010
February 25, 2020
March 24, 2020
April 29, 2020
May 26, 2020

Adjournment:

There being no further business, motion to adjourn @ 4:18 John Sinclair/Luann Henehan