

Avella Area School District
Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 10, 2019 8:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Shola at 8:05 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Cyril Walther	Brian Smitsky	JT Mylan
Officer Watts	Laura Shola	
Sheryl Wright-Brown	Zack Zebrasky	

III. Introduction of Visitors

IV. Review and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the safety committee meeting minutes from December 6, 2018 by Mr. Mylan and was seconded by Officer Watts.

V. Unfinished Business

The committee continued the discussion on “no weapons allowed” signs to place at the building entrances, and at each staircase leading to the football field. The signs have been installed.

The committee discussed door alarms for the gym and cafeteria doors in both buildings. Mr. Wargo received a quote from Allegheny Safe and Lock and Mr. Smitsky is waiting on AG Mauro to provide a quote for door alarms.

VI. Review of Accidents

A cafeteria substitute tripped on a floor mat and hurt her wrist. Several cafeteria mats will be replaced as the edges are turning up and creating a tripping hazard.

VII. Review of Facilities Inspections

No issues were noted in the elementary center.

Door handles in the jr./sr. high school still need addressed.

VIII. New Business

The committee reviewed the draft of the Emergency Operations Plan that will be presented to the board for approval at the January 16th school board meeting.

Mr. Walther introduced the new Act 44 anonymous tip line established by the state called Safe2Say Something. The tip line gives students, adults, and community members the ability to anonymously reports threats of violence against the school, students, and bullying. The district created a crisis team, which is mandated by Act 44. The members consist of Ms. Wright-Brown, Mr. Zebrasky, Mr. Walther, Mr. Nikolopoulos, and Officer Watts. Training will be given to teachers and students to inform them of Safe2Say Something.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.