

Minutes

Safety and Security Committee Meeting

DATE October 23, 2023

TIME 6:00pm

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Angela Nash, Chair at 6:00pm

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustee Angela Nash, Chair
Trustee Lashonda McFadden, Vice Chair
William Epps, Teacher of the Year, 2023-2024
Lydea Williams, Safety and Security Manager
Lt Tom Reupke, Richland County Sheriff's Office
Jeff Temoney, Principal, Spring Valley High School
Mark Sims Principal Richland Northeast High School
Tatiana James, Student Rep. Ridgeview High School
Mikayla Spencer, Student Rep. Ridgeview High School
Chris Woodard, Student Rep. Spring Valley High School
Benjamin Jordan, Student Rep. Spring Valley High School
Mrs. Denean Rivers, Parent Rep.
Mr. McGee Moody, Parent Rep.

New Business

Subcommittee Discussion

Ms. Denean Rivers led a discussion on the importance of a Special Education Subcommittee. She stated the following:

- Additional support and safety training is needed and should include Administration.
- Additional Classroom training for teachers
- Revamped transportation training for Special Needs Students to include equipment usage and driver training
- Special Times allotted for drop off and pick up
- SPED Emergency Plan for school Level and district level to include conversations with parents
- Grab and Go Bags in the case of an emergency.
- Classrooms as well as infrastructure of the schools should be equipped to handle students in the case of an emergency.
- Teacher and Classroom Coverage
 - Adequate teacher assistance to support the primary teacher in case of emergencies.
- Unencumbered Planning Time
 - Additional planning time added to their regular school day.
- Ms. Rivers will email Safety and Security Committee Chair a list of possible members for the Special Needs Committee.

Committee Goals

Mrs. Nash discussed with the committee possible goals for the year. They included:

- Formulate Special Education Committee
- Conduct Community Events
 - Parent University 2024 at R2i2
 - To be held the last week of March 2024
 - Discuss and learn different aspects of Safety
 - Cyber Security Workshops.
 - Anti-Bullying Panel: To discuss creating a safe space at schools
 - Mental Health Initiative: Create a quiet space with calm lighting

- Student-Led Advisory Panel – To discuss topics such as:
 - Mental Health and Anti Bullying Initiative
 - Possible beginning 2024-2025 School Year.
- Safety Screenings – Metal Detectors.
 - Reconfigure Safety Zones
 - Add Middle Schools to the Safety Check Zone Areas.
 - Board to visit other area schools that have safety check zone that is currently up and running.
- Dare Programs – 4-week high school program that began in the late 1980's. Topics include:
 - Conflict Resolution, Alcohol and Drug Awareness as well as Gang Awareness
 - Due to the rise in mental health issues, possibly adding a mental health program for Elementary, Middle and High school students as well as Vaping Workshops.

Next meeting

December 11, 2023

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15pm

Respectfully submitted by: Ms. Tanedra Washington

October 31, 2023

Student Forum Update – October 2024

Agenda has been created inline with Roberts Rules of Order Topics and questions should be relevant to each other

- Topics to include:
 - Racially motivated bullying
 - Social media influence
 - School Safety
- Add a section on what the resolutions will be regarding the topic.
- Funds letter request (nameplate, pens, etc)
- Teacher recommendations
- Teachers will choose which students will be on the panel.
- Student panel will consist of:
 - Seven Students and a moderator
 - Question Cards, which will be submitted for review prior to meeting.
 - Public Participation (which will have a 2 min limit)
- Set up like a Presidential Debate
 - Moderator to control the flow of the meeting as well as the time allotted.
 - Two principals to moderate.
 - 10 minutes on each topic
 - Students to do a media push to include advertising on local news stations.

Next meeting

March 11, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 6:39pm

Respectfully submitted by: Ms. Tanedra Washington

February 21, 2024