



Rockdale ISD

School Safety and Security Committee Meeting Minutes April 23, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Tiffany Whitsel, Assistant Superintendent, at 4:00 PM. Notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Present Committee Members:

- Tammie Ammons, RISD Teacher
- Jason Barcak, RISD Board of Trustees
- Stephen Goodrich, Rockdale Police Department
- Stephen Hanel, Milam County Sheriff
- John Helenberg, Milam County Sheriff
- Dr. Denise Monzingo, Superintendent
- Kathy Pelzel, Assistant Superintendent
- Susan Reinders, Milam County Emergency Management Coordinator
- Allen Sanders, RISD School Safety Specialist
- Tiffany Whitsel, Assistant Superintendent
- Troy Zinn, RISD President Board of Trustees

Absent Committee Members:

- Hudson Evans, RISD Administrator
- Chief Jerry Meadors, Rockdale Police Department
- Charles Miles, RISD Board of Trustees
- Ford Moore, RISD Teacher
- Preston Muston, RISD Parent / Rockdale Volunteer Fire Department
- Sharee Mitchell, RISD Parent
- Warren "Dude" Matous, Chief Rockdale Volunteer Fire Department

1. The meeting commenced at 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Whitsel outlined the purpose and format of the meeting. She noted the absence of Rockdale VFD due to Swift Water Training and Chief Meadors with Rockdale PD due to a training session.
2. The first agenda item was House Bill 3, concerning measures for ensuring public school safety, including armed security for each campus. Updates were provided on school resource officer employment, upcoming steps including a proposed partnership with Milam County Sheriff, and the continued employment of School Resource Specialists.
3. Dr. Monzingo presented information on bond updates regarding security projects funded by the bond. Recently completed projects include RIS safety film, CTE fencing, RES Fencing, RJH fire lane, access card readers at all campuses and admin, and CCA doors. Upcoming projects include rekeying the district and completing security vestibules at RES, RJH, and RHS.



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4. Mrs. Whitsel solicited feedback on topics for future meetings. Officer Goodrich mentioned that Rockdale Police Department would schedule building access for ALERT training. Susan Reinders from Milam County Emergency Management announced that her replacement Kenzie Oliver will start May 13. The district plans to offer Stop the Bleed training again in August if any emergency personnel need it. Mrs. Whitsel mentioned that the June meeting would review the district Emergency Operations Plans, with the next annexes due to TxSSC being Train Derailment and Cybersecurity.
5. At 4:11 p.m., Mrs. Whitsel announced the commencement of Closed Session under Texas Government Code 551.
6. In compliance with a State mandate, the committee received information regarding intruder audits and Threat Assessments.
7. The meeting returned to Open Session at 4:15 p.m.
8. With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:16 p.m.



Sign-In Sheet
School Safety & Security Committee
April 22, 2024

Parent	Role	Signature
Ammons, Tammie	RISD Teacher	
Barcak, Jason	RISD School Board	
Evans, Hudson	RISD Administrator	
Hale, Danny	Texas AgriLife – Security Mgmt.	
Helenberg, John	Milam County Sheriff	
✓ Matous, Warren “Dude”	Rockdale VFD Chief	
✓ Meadors, Jerry	Rockdale Police Chief	
Miles, Charles	RISD School Board	
Mitchell, Sharee	Parent	
Monzingo, Denise	Superintendent	
Moore, Ford	RISD Teacher	
✓ Muston, Preston	Parent	
Pelzel, Kathy	Assistant Superintendent	
Reinders, Susan	Milam Co. Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator	
Sanders, Allen	RISD School Safety Specialist	
Whitsel, Tiffany	Assistant Superintendent	
Zinn, Troy	School Board President	
Goodrich, Stephen	RPD	
Stephen Havel	MCSO	
Susan Reinders	MC Emerg. Mgmt.	



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School Safety & Security Committee Agenda

Date:

Thursday, April 23, 2024

Time: 4:00-5:00 PM

Location: RISD Conference Center

Purpose: Spring Meeting

Topics (Leader)	Purpose
Welcome (Tiffany Whitsel)	
House Bill 3 Armed Security (Tiffany Whitsel)	Progress Update
Bond Safety Update (Dr. Denise Monzingo)	Progress Update
Feedback on Future Topics (Tiffany Whitsel)	
Closed Intruder Audit (Tiffany Whitsel)	State Mandated
Closed Winter 2024 Threat Assessments (Tiffany Whitsel)	

No items or tasks will be voted on for approval.

Intruder Detection Audit Findings will be discussed in Closed Session under Texas Government Code 551.