

# CAC for School Health and Safety

Panorama Village

April 24, 2019

Minutes

12:30-2:30

**In attendance: Sue Marshall, Traci Edelman, Craig Bernier, Cindy Sergeon, Laura Tobias, Jeanne Knouse, Ed Poprik, Megan Shaper, Sara Kyler, Denise McCann, Carolyn Kello, Dan Duffy, Gretchen Brandt, Danielle Ambrusia, Cynthia Pierce**

## 12:30-12:35

1. Welcome and Introduction: Committee Co-Chairs and members
  - a. Denise McCann Division Director, Community Based Services for YSB
  - b. Jeanne Knouse Director of Student Services for SCASD

## 12:35-12:45

2. Public Comment -- no public comment

## 12:45-12:55

3. Approval of Minutes from **January 23, 2019--**  
Centre County Drug and alcohol office is conducting a county wide needs assessment and surveys were distributed as part of this process to school personnel and to parents of children in middle or high school.

## 12:55-1:10

4. CAC Updates
  - a. SHAWC update- Policy Update –
    - i. Met with HS Student Leaders about Coordinated School and Health and Wellness Policy - Takeaways: How to say no to doing more, how to manage schedule, how to build climate in the school
    - ii. Met with district Board members and leaders to discuss the Severe Allergy Policy and alignment with Wellness policy
    - iii. Sub-nurses update - MOU with new agency -Having to cancel field trips bc of no having anyone to attend with them.
  - b. Lori Maxfield - staff wellness update - Great turn out for activities that Lori plans.
  - c. Food Service Update (Megan Schaper) – Preparing for next year. Serving and taste testing some foods with elementary school kids. The main item they are looking at is pizza.
  - d. CAC for facilities (Ed Poprik) - Entering the perfect storm of multiple projects, Radio Park, Spring Creek, and High School racing toward completion and Memorial Field beginning. Sumer is a very busy and critical time.
5. All Hazards Update
  - a. Pros and Cons or Drills “ARE DRILLS CAUSING MORE HARM THAN GOOD?” Discussion
    - i. [Dear America: Kids doing active-shooter drills is not normal](#)
    - ii. [Shooters Show Signs](#)
    - iii. [Best Practices Considerations for](#)
    - iv. [Is the Trauma of Training Worth it article](#)
    - v. [Active Shooter Drills are Scaring kids:](#)

Discussion: Reasons to do them: Law enforcement believes that these drills should be happening. It is important to be prepared and to not do a drill would increase the school’s liability. Kids should be able to opt out. Risk of a school shooting

happening is almost one in a billion. We don't train to address other risks that are more likely to happen. Twice as likely to be struck by lightning and 20 x more likely to be killed riding a bicycle. What message are we sending to kids and we are acting like school is not a safe place when it is probably the safest place for kids. IT all depends on how the drill is done. Debriefing is important and teachers need guidance or training on how to debrief.

- b. All Hazards Management and District Team Meetings: April 24 following CAC for School Health and Safety

7. ACT 44 UPDATE

- c. January 14 [SafeToSaySomething](#)
  - i. 5 District Employees as point of contact - average 1-4 tips a week
  - ii. All students 6-12 went through training

**1:10-2:25**

8. Counseling Services Updates

- d. Counseling Goals for each level (elementary, middle and high School)
  - i. 3 each- Social Emotional, Career and Academic
- e. Counselor Advisory Council
  - i. Spring review program goals - June 4, 2019
- f. [CCL update on Mental Health and Bullying Prevention](#) (Jeanne Knouse)
- g. Train the Trainer or IIRP –
  - i. Discussions of District wide training
- h. School Climate and Inclusive Excellence (Jeanne Knouse)
  - i. Director of Equity and Inclusivity – [Discuss Restorative Practices Coordinator](#) duties align with Director of Equity
- i. Straight Talk Task Force
  - i. Ideas for future Straight Talk topics:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic/Parallel Instruction</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
Tuesday, September 18, 2018	The flowing heart of mindfulness and compassion, how to raise healthy happy children in an angry anxious world.	Peter Montminy
Tuesday, October 16, 2018	Drugs “what’s out there” Drug trends, Vaping	Denise McCann YSB
Special Session Nov. 7, 2018	Addiction/Gaming	Stephanie Roy
Tuesday, November 27, 2018	Biased based bullying/Counseling Bullying Lessons	Director of Diversity and Inclusivity
*Tuesday, January 15, 2019	QPR - Crucial Conversation	Marisa Vicere Ali Turley
*Tuesday, February 19, 2019	Digital Citizenship Social Media (SRO Student Lessons)	Paul McCormick SRO Officers

Tuesday, March 19, 2019	Gender and Adolescence presentation and panel discussion	Sheri Berenbaum sab31@psu.edu
Tuesday, April 16, 2019	Dangerous Drinking and Youth Offender Program	Adam Saylor

**2:25-2:30**

9. Closing

**Please note that CAC For Safe Schools meeting dates, agenda items and meeting minutes can be located on the district website [www.scasd.org](http://www.scasd.org)**

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**Future Meeting Dates:** Will be in touch next year for 2019-2020 dates