



**Health and Safety Minutes**  
Wednesday December 4, 2024

**Albertville Primary**

Kim Andres - SpEd

**Big Woods**

Corey Hanson – Physical Education

**Community Education Center**

Lisa Becker – Kids Play Coordinator

**District Office**

Rick Aulwes – B&G Coordinator

Josh Reyo - Maintenance

Jeff Blake – Grounds

Michelle Neu – Human Resources

Glen Ritter – Food Services

**St. Michael Elementary**

None

**Health**

None

**High School**

Joe Peatrowsky - Science

**Fieldstone Elementary**

None

**Middle School East**

Gerald Bade - Custodial

**Middle School West**

Ryan Antony - AD & Dean

**Other**

Daniel Holcomb – IEA

Steve Lichtenberg - SFM



**Approve October 2024 Meeting Minutes:**

- Minutes were approved by the committee.

**Review Injury Reports**

- Since the last meeting, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, we have had four medical only claims and two lost time claims. The two lost-time claims involved contusions to the foot and head.

**Old Business**

- Lead-in-Water Sampling
  - IEA completed lead-in-water sampling on 11/12 and 11/13. The samples are taken early in the morning before they are used for the day. The current Minnesota schools LIW threshold is 5 ppb. We're currently waiting for all the results and more information will be provided at the February meeting. If fixtures are above 5 ppb, the district will shut off fixtures that are not used, post signage, replace old fixtures, clean the aerators, or have a filter installed.
- Radon Testing January 1/13 Placement, 1/16 Pick-up (HS, FE, STME, CE)
  - IEA will be completing radon testing in January. These kits will be hung in occupied spaces below ground or at ground level. There will be 10% of upper rooms sampled as well, in accordance to MDH requirement. The threshold for remediation and retesting is 4 picocuries per liter. We will be sending out information on the testing closer to the dates.
- Fume Hood Inspections, Science Lab Inspections, Eyewash Inspections 11/27

- All fume hoods, science rooms, and eyewashes were inspected within the district. There was one fume hood velocity tested low at the HS in prep room 1460. IEA will retest the fume hood after maintenance makes adjustments to increase the face velocity.
- HS Science Pod, Art Pod, and Business Pod
  - Security will be increased for these pod areas within the High School. The work will be completed in the summer. The security improvements will include fire doors to pods will be tied into the fire/emergency buttons through magnetic release. Further down the road we will explore options for the glass on these doors.
- SFM Signs – Winter Slip & Fall Safety
  - SFM signs for winter slip and fall safety have been received and have been put up in all buildings as winter weather is here.
- SFM Safety Slip & Fall Grant
  - SFM offers a safety slip and fall grant that provides 50% matching up to \$2,000. This grant was previously used for shoe traction and a salt machine. This year, the grant will be used to purchase a new supply of shovels for the district.

## New Business

- MPCA Hazardous Waste License Application (1/1 – 8/15)
  - It is an annual requirement to submit our hazardous waste totals to maintain our license. The submission for the 2024 waste generation opens on January 1<sup>st</sup> and the deadline to complete is August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- MDH Lead-in-Water Remediation Grant
  - MDH recently opened a lead-in-water grant to allow up to \$15,000 per applicant in fixture and plumbing replacement to remediate elevated lead-in-water levels. The application deadline is January 10<sup>th</sup>. Once the district has received all the lead-in-water results, we will apply for the grant at each building.
- Indoor Air Quality Walkthroughs (1/21 – 1/24, 1/27 – 1/28)
  - Every year, IEA conducts an indoor air quality assessment of all rooms and offices in the district to measure different IAQ parameters (temperature, humidity, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide) and observe any moisture issues. These measurements and observations help the district identify any ventilation issues and concerns.
- MSE Pool Chemical PPE Assessment and Training
  - IEA and multiple STMA staff reviewed chemicals used in the pool chemical area. IEA provided training on proper chemical use and personal protective equipment required to be worn for protection. IEA sampled for chlorine gas last year to ensure staff are not exposed to unsafe levels.
- Playground Improvements
  - Additional wood chips were added at playgrounds that were in need based on the playground inspection that was completed in the fall. The district's grounds department was able to do this task to save cost. Additional repairs will be completed over spring break.
- Ramp Side Rails for Community Ed Room 202
  - Rails have been purchased, once delivered, we will install.
- Big Woods Parking Lot Improvements – Summer 2025
  - Still in the financial planning process of the parking lots. Hoping to get both East & West parking lots resurfaced through LTFM in the summer of 2025.
- Safety and Security Site Visits
  - Jenny Larrive, School Resource Officer Coordinator – MN School Safety Center
    - Jenny Larrive visited Community Ed, High School, Middle School East, and Middle School West. Jenny was impressed with the school district staff and communication between all departments. Overall, the district is doing a good job with safety and security.

## Open Discussion

None

**If you have health and safety questions or suggestions – feel free to contact your buildings safety committee representative!**

**Next Meeting: 2/5/2025**

**Location: Middle School West Staff Development Room**

**Time: 3:30 p.m.**