



Rockdale ISD

School Safety and Security Committee Meeting Minutes February 26, 2025.

Tiffany Whitsel, Assistant Superintendent, called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Notice of the meeting was posting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Committee Members Present:

Tammie Ammons, RISD Teacher
Jason Barcak, RISD Board of Trustees
Lorena Borjas, RISD Teacher
April Eschberger, RISD Administrator
Hudson Evans, RISD Administrator
Stephen Goodrich, Rockdale Police Department
Charles Miles, RISD President Board of Trustees
Sharee Mitchell, parent
Dr. Denise Monzingo, Superintendent
Preston Muston, Rockdale VFD
Kenzie Oliver, Milam County Emergency Mgmt.
James Pratt, Milam County Sherriff Office
Susan Reinders, Milam County Emergency Preparedness Manager
Allen Sanders, RISD School Safety Specialist
Tiffany Whitsel, Assistant Superintendent
Ashley Willard, RISD Administrator
Michael Young, RISD Administrator

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Mrs. Whitsel provided updates on recent HB 3 requirements including:

- Safety Grant spending,
- Transition from monthly to quarterly fire drills,
- District-wide master key recoding efforts.

No public comments were received.

Discussion was held on the partnership with Milam County Sheriff's Office and Judge Vaughn to increase student support services. Initiatives discussed included Project Unity, TCHATT, and the Milam Mentor Group.

Dr. Denise Monzingo reported that construction at Rockdale Elementary is complete and progress at Rockdale Junior High is on schedule. The new gym additions are nearing completion. An open house is being planned for the community to view the upgrades, and committee members were invited to attend.



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In place of the planned tabletop activity, the committee debriefed the recent evacuation and reunification event at Rockdale Junior High. Key takeaways included:

- Use of the phrase 'Accounted / All Clear' for safety personnel communication.
- Clarification on procedures for staff members' children during an event.
- Management of reunification when a family is picking up multiple children.
- Effective deployment of staff familiar with students and families at pickup points.
- Positive use of CrisisGo and ParentSquare platforms.
- Caution against texting by district staff during emergency events.
- Strong radio communication among on-site staff.
- Clarity on when to transition traffic control responsibilities from RISD staff to law enforcement.
- When and how we let secondary students know what is going on during an evacuation or other crisis event.

Questions, comments, and upcoming trainings were then shared:

- Susan Reinders provided an update on the status of the TxDOT radio tower and communications.
- Allen Sanders and Ashley Willard expressed continued concerns regarding fencing at Rockdale Elementary School. Adding a panic bar exit.
- Kynzie Oliver Shared Guidance for Measles in Schools from Texas Department of State Health Services. Mrs. Whitsel will share the information with our district nurse Mrs. Spence.

The meeting concluded with closing remarks from Tiffany Whitsel. The committee entered a closed session at 5:13 PM to review intruder audit results and threat assessments, returning at 5:26 PM and meeting adjourned. Next meeting is June 4, 2025 at 12:00PM.



Sign-In Sheet

School Safety & Security Committee

February 26, 2025

Parent	Role	Signature
Ammons, Tammie	RISD Teacher - RIS	Tammie Ammons
Barcak, Jason	RISD School Board	Jason Barcak
Borjas, Lorena	RISD Teacher - RES	Lorena Borjas
✓ Brinkley, Ethan	RISD Teacher - RJH	Ethan Brinkley
Clore, Mike	Milam County Sheriff Office	Mike Clore
Eschberger, April	RISD Administrator	April Eschberger
Evans, Hudson	RISD Administrator	Hudson Evans
Goodrich, Stephen	Rockdale Police Department	Stephen Goodrich
Helenberg, John	Milam County Sheriff Office	John Helenberg
Matous, Warren "Dude"	Rockdale VFD Chief	Warren Matous
Meadors, Jerry	Rockdale Police Chief	Jerry Meadors
Miles, Charles	RISD School Board, President	Charles Miles
Mitchell, Sharee	Parent	Sharee Mitchell
Monzingo, Denise	Superintendent	Denise Monzingo
Muston, Preston	Rockdale VFD	Preston Muston
Oliver, Kenzie	Milam Co. Emergency Mgmt.	Kenzie Oliver
Ormsby, Jason	Parent	Jason Ormsby
Reinders, Susan	Milam Co. Emergency Preparedness Manager	Susan Reinders
Sanders, Allen	RISD School Safety Specialist	Allen Sanders
Schneebeli, Kenny	Parent	Kenny Schneebeli
Stancik, Kinley	RISD Teacher - RHS	Kinley Stancik
✓ Stanton, Candice	School Resource Office - RHS	Candice Stanton
Strouth, Kacie	School Resource Officer - RJH	Kacie Strouth
✓ Tindle, Bobby	Parent	Bobby Tindle
Whitsel, Tiffany	Assistant Superintendent	Tiffany C. Whitsel
Willard, Ashley	RISD Administrator	Ashley Willard
Young, Michael	RISD Administrator	Michael Young
Pratt, James	MCSO	James Pratt

Guidance for Measles in School

Whitney Tillman, MPH

Manager III

Vaccine Preventable Disease Group (VPD, Influenza, IRID)

Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Unit

Texas Department of State Health Services



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Services

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Health Services

Guidance for Measles in School

- Actions to **take immediately** if a student or a staff member has measles
 1. Immediately Isolate Any Person Suspected of Having Measles
 2. Notify your Local Health Department
 3. Isolate the Infected Individual
 4. Identify Exposed, Unvaccinated Students
 5. Exceptions to Exclusion of Exposed, Unvaccinated Individuals (Post Exposure Prophylaxis)
 - Students with zero doses of MMR may return to school immediately if they receive their first documented dose within 72 hours of exposure. A second dose must be administered at least 28 days later to complete the series.
 - Students with one documented MMR dose may return immediately upon providing documentation of a second dose.
 - Best practices indicate that this could be applied to both exposed students and staff.
 6. Monitor the School Community
- Texas Administrative Code, specifically [Rule 97.7](#) for schools requires the school administrator to exclude from attendance all exposed students without documentation of two doses of measles vaccine or proof of immunity for at least 21 days after the last date the unimmunized student was exposed to a measles case

Guidance for Measles in School

Exclusion Scenarios	Details
Isolation of <u>Measles Positive</u> Individuals	Infected individuals must stay at home and avoid all public places (school, daycare, work, social activities, etc.) until 4 days after the rash begins and they are physically able to return.
Students with <u>Zero</u> Doses of MMR Vaccine	Exclusion continues until they receive 1 dose within 72 hours after exposure. If 1 dose is received within 72 hours, they can return to school immediately. A second dose is required 28 days later.
Students with Zero Doses <u>Refusing/Unable</u> to Receive MMR Vaccine	Exclusion continues for 21 days after the onset of the last known measles case in the school. Exclusion period may be extended if multiple cases occur.
Students with <u>1 Dose</u> of MMR Vaccine	Exclusion continues if the school does not receive documentation of the second dose. If documentation of the second dose is provided, the student can return to school immediately.
Exposed Students and Staff (Monitoring Symptoms)	Monitoring symptoms (fever, cough, rash, etc.) for 21 days after exposure.



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School Safety & Security Committee Agenda

Date:

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Time: 4:30-5:30 PM

Location: RISD Conference Center

**Purpose: Rockdale ISD HB 3 Spring Safety Agenda
Agenda**

1. **Welcome and Call to Order**– *Tiffany Whitsel*
 - Overview of HB 3 safety objectives.
 - Commitment to fostering a safe and secure environment for all students and staff.
2. **Public Comments to Agenda Items Only**
 - The Committee will allow members of the public to speak on items listed on the agenda. Individuals wishing to address the Committee must sign up at the meeting location.
3. **Review of Current Safety Measures** – *Tiffany Whitsel*
 - Update on compliance with HB 3 requirements.
4. **Construction Update** – *Denise Monzingo*
 - Overview of recent upgrades in personnel, technology, and facilities.
5. **Table Top Activity**
 - Emergency response steps
6. **Next Steps / Q & A**
 - Summary of actionable items, responsibilities, and timelines.
7. **Closing Remarks** – *Tiffany Whitsel*
8. **Closed Session**
 - Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076 the committee will meet in closed session to discuss the Texas Education Agency Intruder Detection Audit Findings.
 - Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076 the committee will meet in closed session to discuss the District/Campus Security Audit

Next meeting June 4, 2025 12:00-1:30 PM