

**The Cuero Independent School District
Safety and Security Committee
Cuero ISD Board Room
960 East Broadway
Cuero, TX 77954
Meeting, August 6, 2025 at 3:15 PM**

I. Call To Order

The meeting of the Cuero ISD Safety and Security Committee was called to order by Dr. Dyer on Wednesday, August 6, 2025 at 3:18 PM in the Cuero ISD Board Room located at 960 East Broadway.

II. Introductions / Attendance

The following members were present:

Micah Dyer, Superintendent, Bridgette Cerny, Principal, James McCarter, Assistant Principal, Oscar Ray, Director of Technology, Kim Fleener, Deputy Superintendent, Ruby Rodriguez, Director of Special Programs, Kathy Scott, School Climate Specialist, Wanda Hays, District Nurse, Jennifer Voges, Assistant Principal, Steven Ellis, Cuero Police Department, Paul Leal, Cuero Police Department, Willie Whitfield, Cuero Police Department, Crystal Hamilton, Director of Special Education, Lacy Timpone, School Climate Specialist, Jaime Dyer, Principal, Jerome Hernandez, Cuero Police Department, Adam Arredondo, Principal, Philip Swope, Assistant Principal, Courtney Kalinowski, School Climate Specialist, Mike Cantu, Department of Public Safety, Misty Mitchell, Principal, Marissa Scott, Assistant Principal, Heather Stewart, Teacher.

III. Open Forum

No public comments at this time.

IV. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Chief Ellis made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Timpone. Motion carried.

V. Campus Drills Update

Dr. Dyer reported that the campuses are scheduling their required drills for the 2025-2026 school year and reminded everyone that a fire drill needs to be completed during the first 10 days of school. Dr. Dyer requested that the campus drill schedules be sent to all Cabinet members. He also asked for law enforcement to be present during the lockdown drills to help secure and sweep the campuses.

VI. Campus Weekly Exterior Door Sweeps Update

Dr. Dyer reported that campus weekly exterior door sweeps must be completed during the first week of school and every week after that. A campus-designated person is responsible for entering the weekly door sweeps into Sentinel every week with findings.

VII. Campus Bi-Annual Maintenance Update

Mrs. Rodriguez reported that all campuses must complete a bi-annual maintenance update and report the information in the Sentinel system.

VIII. Behavioral Threat Assessment Teams Training & Update

Mrs. Rodriguez shared that behavioral threat assessment training will take place on Friday, August 8, 2025, in the Hunt Elementary library for all campus teams. The training will consist of tabletop exercises and a detailed overview of reporting, screening, and assessment requirements. Dr. Dyer shared a brief update on Senate Bill 12 requirements.

IX. Sentinel - User Management Training

Mrs. Rodriguez shared that there is online training available in the Sentinel reporting system for new users that can be completed at any time. If anyone has any questions, please let her know.

X. Centegix Crisis-Alert (Silent Panic Alert Technology) Update

Mr. Ray reported that the crisis-alert badges were distributed to staff on Tuesday, August 5, 2025. Staff received training during the convocation. He is waiting on Region 3 to configure the reunification component of the system. The crisis-alert system is ready and functioning.

XI. Campus Safety Walk-Throughs - First Responders & Emergency Personnel

Dr. Dyer invited first responders and emergency personnel to complete walk-throughs at all campuses anytime. He shared that the campus drills would be shared with them and encouraged first responders to participate in all drills.

XII. Emergency Operations Plan Annual Review & Update

Mrs. Rodriguez shared that the district's emergency operations plan (EOP) is reviewed annually and updated as needed. The Texas School Safety Center is going to release a new EOP template and active threat annex with updated requirements. The district will update the EOP and annex and submit it to the Texas School Safety Center for review and auditing.

XIII. New Business Update

Dr. Dyer shared that new TEA guidance requires that all campuses have a breaching tool and ballistic shield that can be used during an active incident.

XIV. Adjournment

Mrs. Fleener made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Ray. The meeting adjourned at 3:42 PM.