

School Safety Audit Committee Minutes

February 6, 2024

Kings Fork Middle School 4:00 pm-5:00pm

A **School Safety Audit Committee** will be established to evaluate, in accordance with the directions of the School Board, the safety of each school, which shall include assessing the school's violence and discipline problems and in designing appropriate programs, policies, and practices to combat such problems and submit a plan for improving school safety at a public meeting of the School Board. The committee will be comprised of no more than twenty members and shall include representatives of parents, teachers, local law-enforcement agencies, judicial and public safety personnel, and the community-at-large. The Committee shall present its report to the School Board by June 1st of each year. (<https://www.spsk12.net/domain/111>)

1. Attendance: Cindy Devers, David LeFevre, Melissa Zawodny, Jonathan Rankin, Rod Thompson.
 - a. Absent: James Allen, Jewel Hoffler, Travis McKinney (car trouble), Brandon Randleman (work)
2. Approval of Agenda and minutes from our last meeting.
 - a. Minutes shared and approved (5-0)
3. Old Business
 - a. Define School Safety- School safety refers to the measures and practices implemented to ensure a secure and supportive environment within educational institutions. This includes efforts to prevent and respond to potential threats, emergencies, or hazards, aiming to protect the well-being of students, staff, and visitors.
 - b. Discuss the description of our committee detailed above. This was taken from the SPS Website, however it is different than what is listed in the SB Policy. Mr. Rankin wanted to get information as to why it was listed differently on the website.
 - i. Recommend a change in description of committee-Dickens for clarification policy pg 65 of manual. 1st paragraph
 - c. Updates from Mr. McKinney and Mr. Rankin
 - i. Mr. McKinney was unable to attend due to car trouble, no updates available.
 - ii. Mr. Rankin recommend school board meetings are held at a school for the safety concerns

1. Questions: Does city hall charge us to use city chambers? Would we be able to potentially alternate between a northern and southern school each month, but stay consistent (for instance every other month the meeting might be held at CFCMS and LHS so that it stays consistent but allows more to be able to attend)
- iii. Updates from Mr. Lefevre:
 1. Panic Button at 3 schools have been approved- funded by Grant money app on the phone an alert will be sent to all. In the next 3 weeks
 2. Requested 4 more medal detectors
 3. June Board meeting should be a 15 minute presentation when present our final recommendations

4. New Business

- a. Updates from Mr McKinney Dave will call and discuss Trusted adult
- b. Report on the passing of guns at LHS - Mr. Thompson
 - i. Unsure if it was a gun or another weapon. Mr. Thompson suggested that if we are doing random checks that instead of checking every 4th person/bag that we have three numbers and so we might check every 4th, 7th, and 10th person.
 1. It was noted that Mrs. Devers spoke with the admin at LHS after the concern was brought up and she had not been made aware of any concern. If she knew the time and date of the concern, she can pull the cameras to determine what was going on. She did state that all students go through the weapon detectors. She asked that if there is ever a concern to please contact the school so that we can ensure the safety of all students and staff.
- c. Fill out Safety Matrix- We need to prioritize what has been recommended and new things we came up with. Mrs. Devers will condense format and have prepared at the next meeting. It was

suggested that we identify the top 5 concerns and focus our attention on those.

5. Next meeting will be March 12, 2024.

6. Adjourn