

KILLEEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
KILLEEN, TEXAS

SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE

February 23, 2023

MINUTES

KISD School Board Members present: Brett Williams, President; and Cullen Mills

KISD Administration present: Dr. John Craft, Superintendent; Megan Bradley, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Susan Buckley, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools; Taina Maya, Chief Communications Officer; Sandra Forsythe, Executive Director for Student Services; Adam Rich, Executive Director for Facilities Services; Ralph Disher, Chief of Police; Dr. JJ Johnson, Director for District Operations; Chuck Kelley, Director for Investigations & School Safety; Shannon Lumar, Director for Elementary Guidance Services; Josh DeLoach, Coordinator for Special Education; Jennifer Carranza, Principal at Clifton Park ES; Amber Dibble, Principal at Maude Moore Wood ES; Leana Hogge, Assistant Principal at Killeen ES; Savannah Jimenez, Assistant Principal at Early College HS; Clyde Kinsey III, Assistant Principal at Charles Patterson MS; Dr. James Wilkes, Threat Assessment Specialist/Investigator for Investigations & School Safety; and Cynthia Smith, Investigations & School Safety Specialist

City of Killeen members present: Kent Cagle, City Manager; and Peter Perez, Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (OHSEM) Director

City of Harker Heights members present: Betiale Hawkins, Chief of Police

Fort Hood members present: None

KISD Parents present: None

Committee Members absent: JoAnn Purser, KISD Board Member; Dr. Jo-Lynette Crayton, KISD Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools; Jennifer Washington, KISD Director for Student Hearings; Angenet Wilkerson, KISD Director for Community Relations; Erik Hydorn, KISD PD Operations Lieutenant; Dr. Lance Malburg, KISD Assistant Principal at Killeen HS; Angela Sayers, KISD Assistant Principal at Clifton Park ES; Raquel McMeans, KISD Teacher at Willow Springs ES; Debra Nash-King, City of Killeen Mayor; Ken Wilkerson, City of Killeen Mayor Pro Tempore; Charles Kimble, City of Killeen Chief of Police; Zachary Toler, Fort Hood Military Police; Nathan West, Fort Hood Military Police; SFC Raymond Adams, Fort Hood L80 Detective; CPT Michael Freas, Fort Hood L80 Detective; Elizabeth Davenport, Fort Hood School Liaison Officer; Richard Bannister, KISD Parent; Justin Beach, KISD Parent; Beatrice Canseco, KISD Parent; and Melinda Schmidt, KISD Parent

The KISD School Safety & Security Committee met on February 23, 2023, at 10:04 a.m. in the Administration Building Boardroom, in accordance with *Texas Government Code 551.127*.

AGENDA ITEM #1, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Craft welcomed the committee and thanked them for their participation.

AGENDA ITEM #2, APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

Mr. Rich moved to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2022 School Safety & Security Committee meeting, as presented. Dr. Buckley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #3, REGION 12 INTRUDER TESTING RESULTS (551.076, 551.089)

Texas Education Code 37.109 grants authority to the School Safety and Security Committee to convene in closed session as provided by *Texas Government Code, Chapter 551*. The committee convened in closed session at 10:09 a.m. in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act to discuss agenda item #2, Region 12 Intruder Testing Results, as allowed by *Texas Government Codes 551.076 and 551.089*. No action or voting was taken in closed session.

The committee reconvened in the open meeting at 10:21 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM #4, CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION REGARDING REQUIRED CAMPUS SAFETY CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS

The District School Safety and Security Committee received the Texas School Safety Center's Intruder Detection Audit Report for specific campuses on February 8, 2023. As a result of discussion in closed session, Chief Disher moved to approve the campus safety corrective action plans for specific campuses to address audit findings. Mr. Rich seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #5, THREAT ASSESSMENT & BULLY REPORTING UPDATE

Mr. Kelley introduced Dr. James Wilkes as the new Threat Assessment Specialist/Investigator for Investigations & School Safety. Dr. Wilkes discussed the KISD Bullying & Threat Reporter platform available through the KISD website, mobile app, and Staff Resources site. The threat assessment process starts with a submitted report through these portals that goes directly to the School Safety Department. Modeling the Mansfield ISD behavioral threat assessment process, Dr. Wilkes is currently gathering data through campus surveys to build upon the existing threat assessment and bully reporting infrastructure of KISD.

AGENDA ITEM #6, VAPE DETECTORS

Mr. Rich discussed the implementation of the new Halo Vape Detection System, which will be used as a deterrent system in nine campuses, including all five comprehensive high schools and four special campuses. The Halo system can send alerts to specific people, has adjustable sensitivity and tamper sensors, and can be integrated into the district-wide video surveillance system.

AGENDA ITEM #7, UPTICK IN DRUG CASES

Chief Disher discussed the increase in the prevalence of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) found in vape pens, the increase in the percentage of THC in each pen, and the use of the KISD K9 in conjunction with the Halo Vape Detection System. Dr. Craft mentioned the distribution of NARCAN opioid overdose treatment by specific district employees within the district for future discussion by this committee. KISD Board Policy FFAC (Local) does not currently allow this practice in the district, but does allow for the district to seek appropriate emergency care for a student as deemed necessary.

Chief Hawkins commented on the increase in Fentanyl within the city of Harker Heights.

Mr. Perez shared that he is facilitating an active shooter tabletop exercise for both Belton ISD and Temple ISD this summer, and invited Killeen ISD to participate.

AGENDA ITEM #8, ADJOURN

The committee discussed planning for the next School Safety & Security Committee meeting in April 2023. The meeting concluded at 11:05 a.m.