

WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Safety and School Climate Committee Meeting

February 1, 2021

Minutes

I. Opening Procedures

A. Roll Call & Introductions

Chairperson Otheree Christian called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Otheree Christian, Jamela Smith-Folds

Staff: Tony Wold, Associate Superintendent, Julio Franco, Director, Robert Jordan, Communications Director, Otilia Espinoza, Translator

B. Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Otheree Christian asked for approval of the agenda.

Motion moved by Ms. Jamela Folds-Smith and Chairperson Otheree Christian seconded.

Motion Carried.

C. Public Comment

No Public Comment

II. Discussion Items

A. Committee Vision and Purpose

Chairperson Otheree Christian introduced the Vision, Purpose, Goals, and Objectives of the committee.

Public Comment

No Public Comment

B. Goals and Objectives of the Committee

Chairperson Otheree Christian introduced the Goals and Objectives with Vision and Purpose.

C. Safety and Emergency Operations Overview - Presentation

Chairperson Otheree Christian introduced Mr. Michael Booker to present the District's Safety and Emergency Operations Overview, the scope of work that is done during normal times, before COVID-19.

Board Questions:

Ms. Jamela Smith-Folds questioned about the QR code procedure and asked about a COVID-19 drill by providing example situations of COVID-19.

Public Comment

Sarah Butler

Discussion

Ms. Jamela Smith Folds spoke about implementing a new resolution for the SROs who have to leave the school campus during school hours. She liked the idea that every Campus Security Officers (CSOs) should be introduced to every student to let them know that they are there to protect students. She also appreciated that administrators should have a safe conversation with students.

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Chairperson Otheree Christian emphasized that administrators, safety personnel, and students should have a great communication to make it a safe environment.

D. Review Site Safety Plan Template - Presentation

Mr Booker talked about the process and components of the School Site Safety Plan.

Ms. Jamela Smith- Folds asked several questions related to who will be responsible to guide school staff if the principal is absent when there is an incident. She also recalled if a Dress Code policy was active.

Public Comment

No Comment

Discussion:

Ms. Jamela Smith-Folds talked about having mandatory safety drills for all students while implementing COVID-19 guidelines. She also questioned if all school personnel are required to be a Disaster Service Worker after school hours.

Dr. Wold clarified that if a staff member is a supervisor during an after school event, they must act as a disaster service worker until shelter in place is lifted.

E. Safe Schools for All Review State Website link School Checklist Model COVID-19 Plan Template

Dr. Wold provided a quick overview about the county and state proposal guidelines for reopening schools to the committee members.

Second piece talks about the criteria for testing employees and students.

Public Comment

No public comment

Discussion

No Discussion

III. Action (if any)

A. Approve Calendar of Meetings

Ms. Jamela Smith-Folds moved this item as a working document and was Second by Chairperson Otheree Christian.

IV. Safety and Climate Committee Next Meeting Date

March 1, 2021

V. Adjournment

Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 5:36pm.