

Merrill Area Public Schools

MAPS Mission Statement: *Merrill Area Public Schools, in partnership with the Merrill Community and our families, will empower students to be lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and productive community members.*

Safety Committee Meeting

Monday - August 13, 2018

12:30 PM

BOARD ROOM

MAPS Central Administration Building

(1111 N. Sales Street, Merrill, Wisconsin)

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call – Karen Baker, Dale Bergman, Jennifer Berreth, Brian Dasher, Darryl Frick, Officer Mark Heckendorf, Cindy Heinz, Laura Krause-Zastrow, Keshia Mashak, Dr. John Sample and Jeff Zettler

Dale Bergman called the meeting to order at 12:37pm.

Present: Karen Baker, Dale Bergman, Jennifer Berreth, Brian Dasher, Darryl Frick, Officer Mark Heckendorf, Cindy Heinz, Laura Krause-Zastrow, Keshia Mashak and Jeff Zettler

Absent: Dr. John Sample - arrived at 12:38pm

- II. Approval of the previous Committee Meeting Minutes

A. There was a running agenda previously no minutes.

Dale Bergman explained to the committee the reasoning for a change of the meeting style.

- III. Act 143 Requirements

A. Site Safety assessments

(Dr. John Sample arrived 12:38pm)

Dale Bergman explained the school safety initiative created by DOJ along with what needs to happen by December 31st, 2018. Dale Bergman recently completed school safety assessment training and was able to explain to the committee what the safety assessments at the buildings would entail. The cost to have a third-party complete the assessments would range from \$1200-\$1500 per building.

B. School Safety teams

Dale Bergman explained that each of the eight schools covered by the grant needs to have its own safety team along with site specific emergency operations plans. Dale Bergman will meet with each building administrator to determine who will be included on the school safety team. The committee discussed how these changes might impact Crisis Go.

IV. Locking of Doors

Dale Bergman explained to the committee that as part of the school safety grant the district had to certify that all building doors will remain locked during school hours or there will be a monitor at the door. The committee discussed the merits of each option.

V. Crisis Go for Fire Drills and Alerts

A. Test alerts for different groups

Dale Bergman spoke to the committee about the need to begin testing alerts and alert groups. The committee discussed several options of sending out alerts using systems such as Crisis Go, My EOP, and features within Macbooks and iPads. The committee discussed revisiting this item at cabinet to ensure that the system the district uses is manageable.

Keshia Mashak informed the committee that the new P3 App, which is the Lincoln County version of Crime-stoppers, will be available on all 6th through 12th grade iPads. The committee discussed how the App works and the benefits to students.

VI. School Safety Grant Round 2

A. Agree to send 10% of full-time teachers and counselors to a DOJ-approved Adolescent Mental Health training program by August 31, 2020. Grant funds may be used to fully cover the expenses of tuition, travel, lodging, meals, and substitute teacher/teacher stipend, as described in the grant announcement.

Dale Bergman informed the committee that a letter of intent to apply for round 2 of the school safety grant was sent to the DOJ.

B. Establish a "school safety intervention team" following the DOJ's standardized guidelines, as described in the grant announcement. The team must include, at a minimum, a local law enforcement representative, a school member who has completed Adolescent Mental Health training, and a school member who has completed Threat Assessment Team training.

Dale Bergman explained to the committee the need for this team along with the DOJ requirements. This needs to be established, approved by board, and submitted to the DOJ by 12/31/18.

- C. Participate in and promote a free DOJ confidential reporting application/tipline, when this is developed and deployed

Dale Bergman explained to the committee that the DOJ is in the process of creating a threat of violence reporting application.

VII. NIMS / ICS Training For Crisis Teams

Dale Bergman informed the committee that the National Information Management System has developed online training that is recommended for members of crisis teams to complete.

VIII. Student ID visibility

Dale Bergman spoke to the committee in regards to having all middle and high school students visibly wear their school id badges. This will help staff verify that they belong in building and allow staff to address them by name. The committee discussed revisiting at cabinet.

- A. Used to create relationships
- B. Can be used for community businesses to offer discounts
- C. Life skill- you will need to show ID for many things as an adult.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:13pm