

**School Safety Task Force  
Tuesday, August 28, 2018  
2:00 p.m.**

**Michigan State Police Headquarters  
1917 Conference Room  
7150 Harris Drive, Dimondale, MI 48821**

**Meeting Minutes**

<b>Task Force Members</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue (Chair)	Michigan State Police
Bishop Cory Chavis	Parents
Mr. Nicholas Dent	Teachers
Mr. David Forystek	Speaker of the House nominee
Mr. Brian Gard	Absent
Mr. Larry Johnson	Senate Majority Leader nominee
Mr. Richard Joseph	School administrators
Chief Paul Lauria	House Majority Leader nominee
Ms. Elizabeth Newell	Law Enforcement
Mr. Nolan Wright	Health Professionals
Ms. Patricia Kovacs	Students
Mr. Kyle Guerrant	Senate Minority Leader nominee
Ms. Lynda Zeller	Designee of the State Superintendent
	Designee of the Dept. of Health and Human Services
<b>Staff Support</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Ms. Chelsea Deckler	Michigan State Police
<b>Guests</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske	Michigan State Police, Specialized Services Bureau
Mr. Timothy Bourgeois	Michigan State Police, MCOLES
Capt. Dave Kelly	Michigan State Police, Intelligence Operations Division
Insp. Troy Allen	Michigan State Police, Intelligence Operations Division
F/Lt. Amy Dehner	Michigan State Police, Executive Resources Section
Ms. Julie Agueros	Michigan State Police, Executive Resources Section
F/Lt. Kevin Caldwell	Michigan State Police, Grants and Community Services Division
Mr. Brent Klein	Michigan State University
Ms. Elizabeth Gorz	Governor's Office

**CALL TO ORDER**

The School Safety Task Force meeting was called to order by Colonel Kriste Etue at 2 p.m. A quorum was present for today's meeting.

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Colonel Etue welcomed everyone to today's meeting and introductions were provided by attendees.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Colonel Etue called for approval of the August 7 meeting minutes. Ms. Linda Zeller moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Richard Joseph seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**Legislative Recommendations**

F/Lt. Amy Dehner provided an overview of HB5828/5829 and HB5829 in their current draft versions to the Task Force. F/Lieutenant Dehner led discussion on recommendations for the legislation on behalf of the bill sponsors and will provide the recommendations offered by Task Force members back to the sponsors.

**Subcommittee Updates**

Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske provided an update on his subcommittee's work. The subcommittee is working on recommendations to add a requirement to include safety components in School Improvement Plans (SIP). SIP's are already mandated, but currently there are no safety components required. This recommendation will help to ensure schools focus on making safety improvements. This recommendation will include a goal for all stakeholders to focus on student safety with targets to include training and ensuring plans are updated and reviewed by all staff. The subcommittee continues to meet or hold calls every Friday and will be reviewing the proposed edits for the EOP documents this week.

The MSP Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division continues to work on the school safety structure that will ensure coordination and cooperation between state and local agencies/schools in order to share best practices and conduct planning and exercising.

Colonel Etue and Lt. Colonel Kelenske recently met with members of the 6-State Trooper Project and school safety was heavily discussed. The Indiana State Police and the Indiana Homeland Security Advisor shared their recommendations regarding the [Indiana Safe School Recommendations](#).

Ms. Lynda Zeller provided an update on the work completed by her subcommittee. The subcommittee is working to identify mental health resources and best practices to include in the final recommendations to the Governor. The subcommittee is also rewriting portions of the EOP that touch on mental health. The subcommittee will be making short-term recommendations to add additional resources to assist with mental health issues in schools and are working to identify Medicaid match strategies.

Capt. Dave Kelly provided an update on the subcommittee he leads. The subcommittee was recently provided an in-depth overview of the OK2Say program by Ms. Mary Drew from the Attorney General's Office. The subcommittee has been discussing the difference between programs that are confidential versus anonymous. The OK2Say program is a confidential tip program which has proven to lead to better two-way communication and has been beneficial to law enforcement for a number of reasons. It was also discussed that the OK2Say program has been successful because it is both a proactive and zero-cost program for users.

Mr. Tim Bourgeois provided an update on the work of the School Resource Officer (SRO) subcommittee. The subcommittee continues to review possible curriculum for the SRO program. Ms. Lynda Zeller was able to provide the subcommittee with information to help sort out the various mental health training programs that are currently available. The subcommittee is currently working to identify how schools are currently handling security and the SRO role.

#### **Public Comment**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7, 2018, at the Michigan State Police Training Academy in C2.