School Safety Task Force Wednesday, September 12, 2018 2:00 p.m.

Michigan State Police Training Academy Conference Room – C2 7426 North Canal Road, Lansing, MI 48913

Meeting Minutes

Task Force Members		Representing
Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue (Chair)		Michigan State Police
Bishop Cory Chavis	Absent	Parents
Mr. Nicholas Dent		Teachers
Mr. David Forystek		Speaker of the House nominee
Mr. Brian Gard		Senate Majority Leader nominee
Mr. Larry Johnson		School administrators
Mr. Richard Joseph		House Majority Leader nominee
Chief Paul Lauria	Absent	Law Enforcement
Ms. Elizabeth Newell		Health Professionals
Mr. Nolan Wright		Students
Ms. Patricia Kovacs		Senate Minority Leader nominee
Mr. Kyle Guerrant		Designee of the State Superintendent
Ms. Nancy Vreibel		Designee of the Dept. of Health and Human Services
Staff Support		Representing
Ms. Chelsea Deckler		Michigan State Police
Guests		Representing
Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske		Michigan State Police, Specialized Services Bureau
Mr. Timothy Bourgeois		Michigan State Police, MCOLES
D/F/Lt. Brian Budde		Michigan State Police, Intelligence Operations Division
Ms. Nancy Becker Bennett		Michigan State Police, Grants and Community Services Division
F/Lt. Amy Dehner		Michigan State Police, Executive Resources Section
Ms. Julie Agueros		Michigan State Police, Executive Resources Section
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 Lt. Colonel Chris Kelenske at 2 p.m. A quorum was present for today's meeting.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Lt. Colonel Kelenske welcomed everyone to today's meeting and explained that Colonel Etue had been delayed by a conference call and would try to join the meeting as soon as she could.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Lt. Colonel Kelenske called for approval of the August 28 meeting minutes. Mr. Larry Johnson moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Brian Gard seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Subcommittee Updates

Ms. Nancy Vreibel introduced herself and indicated she is replacing Ms. Lynda Zeller who has accepted a position outside the State of Michigan. Ms. Vreibel provided an update on the work completed by her subcommittee. The subcommittee is currently drafting recommended revisions for the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) to help integrate mental health support throughout the plan. Recommendations also include training for school staff on mental health awareness and identifying someone within the

school building who can be responsible for screening students and provide referrals for children who need additional assistance.

- Lt. Colonel Kelenske reminded the task force to look at best or promising practices around the nation and to identify any barriers in place in Michigan which may prevent implementation, so recommendations for legislation or policy changes can be made.
- F/Lt. Amy Dehner provided the school safety legislation recommendations discussed at the last task force meeting back to the bill sponsors but reported she hasn't received any feedback at this time.
- Mr. Tim Bourgeois provided an update on the work of the School Resource Officer (SRO) subcommittee. The subcommittee is working to identify three levels of training for the SRO program. Level one will include MCOLES sworn officers and will include both a basic and advance level curriculum. Level two will be for security officers, both armed and unarmed and private security with some arrest powers. Level three will be for school staff who have a role in school safety.
- Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske provided an update on his subcommittee's work. The subcommittee is reviewing ways to integrate mental and behavioral health throughout the EOP, as well as keeping it focused on "all-hazards" rather than just one specific threat. The subcommittee is working on recommendations for schools to use standardized definitions for emergency situations, such as locked down and secure mode. The subcommittee is also making a recommendation to add a cyber assessment into the EOP.
- Mr. Kyle Guerrant provided an update on the subcommittee he leads. The subcommittee is developing a recognition program for schools to assess and rate themselves in the category of school safety. This recognition program will allow schools to assess where they are at and receive recognition without releasing detailed information. The subcommittee also continues to identify recommendations for alternatives to school suspension.

D/F/Lt. Brian Budde provided an update on the subcommittee lead by Capt. Dave Kelly. The subcommittee continues to examine the OK2Say program and identify best practices to help improve the program. The subcommittee is also researching tip systems for higher education campuses.

Research Update

Mr. Brent Klein provided an update on the empirical data research brief he is preparing for the task force. The brief summarizes approximately 20-years of research. The brief will be provided to the task force by the end of the week.

Task Force Assignment

Draft recommendations are due from each subcommittee prior to close of business on September 25 to Ms. Chelsea Deckler. Ms. Deckler will compile and distribute the recommendations to the Task Force prior to the September 27 meeting for discussion.

Public Comment

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 27, 2018, at the Michigan State Police Headquarters in the Centennial Conference Room.