

**School Safety Task Force
Tuesday, August 7, 2018
2:00 p.m.**

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

Meeting Minutes

Task Force Members	Representing
Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue (Chair)	Michigan State Police
Bishop Cory Chavis	Parents
Mr. Nicholas Dent Absent	Teachers
Mr. David Forystek	Speaker of the House nominee
Mr. Brian Gard	Senate Majority Leader nominee
Mr. Larry Johnson	School administrators
Mr. Richard Joseph Absent	House Majority Leader nominee
Chief Paul Lauria	Law Enforcement
Ms. Elizabeth Newell	Health Professionals
Mr. Nolan Wright Absent	Students
Ms. Patricia Kovacs	Senate Minority Leader nominee
Mr. Kyle Guerrant Absent	Designee of the State Superintendent
Ms. Lynda Zeller	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
Spl/Lt. Dave Eddy	Michigan State Police, Intelligence Operations Division
Ms. Julie Agueros	Michigan State Police, Executive Resources Section
Mr. Tyler Sawher	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 July 25 meeting minutes. Ms. Linda Zeller moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Larry Johnson seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Subcommittee Updates

Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske provided an update on his subcommittee's work. Recommendations for the EOP guidance have been received and are being reviewed. Stakeholders generally indicated the EOP is effective but should be simplified. The subcommittee continues to host conference calls each Friday and will soon be establishing timelines as they move forward. Lt. Colonel Kelenske recently met with the superintendent from the Safest School in America and identified some things that we can fold into our recommendations.

Ms. Lynda Zeller provided an update on the work completed by her subcommittee. The subcommittee is looking at using a multi-tiered system of support as the framework to develop their recommendations. The subcommittee is focused on identifying current gap areas and clearly identifying what already exists for targeted groups. The subcommittee will have three categories of recommendations:

- Specific to the EOP – what language needs to be changed within.
- Current funding available to schools to provide access to school nurses.
- Long term strategy to maximize a Medicaid match system to provide school based mental health assistance.

Spl/Lt. Dave Eddy provided an update on the subcommittee led by Capt. Dave Kelly. The subcommittee has begun drafting a report to compare school violence reporting programs from around the country to the OK2Say program here in Michigan to identify best practices. The subcommittee is also trying to get an idea of how many local, individualized school violence reporting systems are currently being used in Michigan.

Mr. Tim Bourgeois provided an update on the work of the School Resource Officer (SRO) subcommittee. The subcommittee continues to review the national SRO curriculum. A review of the MSP TEAM program is also ongoing. The subcommittee feels the national programs are more generic than what the subcommittee would recommend for Michigan's curriculum. The subcommittee plans to make recommendations that would include basic and advanced level curriculum as well as examining what could be offered to those serving at the level below a sworn officer who work in the SRO role.

Ms. Chelsea Deckler provided an update from Mr. Brent Klein who was unable to attend. Mr. Klein is in the process of putting together a fact sheet on school violence which will be disseminated to the task force when it is done. This fact sheet will summarize the research findings and main themes from the published literature. Mr. Klein hopes this will present critical background and context on school violence and provide evidence for decision making. Mr. Klein is also preparing to query the available data from the U.S. School Shooting Database on basic descriptive incident-and suspect-level characteristics. This information should aid the task force as it prepares to develop recommendations.

Ms. Deckler also provided an update on behalf of Ms. Nancy Becker Bennett who was unable to attend. The competitive school safety grant application was released to schools on August 1. The Michigan Legislature has provided an appropriation of \$25 million for the MSP Grants and Community Services Division to provide and administer competitive grants for public and nonpublic schools, school districts, and intermediate school districts to purchase technology equipment, upgrade hardening measures, or to conduct school building safety assessments to improve the safety and security of school buildings, students, and school staff. Grant applications are due September 13, 2018 at 12 p.m. (noon). Additional information can be found at www.michigan.gov/cjgrants.

Public Comment

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at the Michigan State Police Headquarters.