

# WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS

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# **District Safety Committee Meeting** Wednesday, October 16, 2024; 7:00 AM, WLWVSD via Zoom

# A. ATTENDEES:

Name	<b>Location/Title</b>	Present	Absent
Jeff Chambers	Facilities Manager	X	
Enrique Guillen	Custodial Supervisor	X	
Officer Jabral Johnson	West Linn HS, SRO		X
Officer Zach Keirsey	Wilsonville HS, SRO	X	
Pat McGough	Chief Operating Officer	X	
Steve Matthias	Maintenance Supervisor	X	
Leon Mongeau	OSEA Representative	X	
Jeremy Nichols	Safety & Transportation Supervisor	X	
Allyson Pierce	OSEA Representative	X	
Karen Pyeatt	District Nurse	X	
Mindy Schmitz	Community Services Coordinator	X	
Kayla Kniola	WWEA Representative	X	
Shyla Waldern	Director of Human Resources	X	
Andrew Kilstrom	Director of Communications	X	

# **B. MINUTES REVIEW:**

The minutes from all meetings are available on the website: <a href="http://www.wlwv.k12.or.us/Page/16137">http://www.wlwv.k12.or.us/Page/16137</a>

# **C. EXISTING ACTION ITEMS:**

<ul> <li>Safety, Security, and Technology Upgrades</li> <li>6.21.2023 <ul> <li>District will be doing a full audit of the FOB shelter lock batteries to ensure they will be ready for the new school year.</li> <li>Shelter lock has been discontinued. The district bid Key Scan to replace lock sets at WLHS. Due to the bid the district received we are putting the project on hold. Likely that WLHS will not be updated this summer. District working on a resolution for this.</li> <li>Trillium Creek primary will be updated with the shelter lock system.</li> </ul> </li> <li>7.19.2023 <ul> <li>Trillium Creek is moving along with their security upgrades. Including curtains, new entry and lock system.</li> </ul> </li> <li>9.20.2023 <ul> <li>Trillium Creek's new system is functional and working. The system has been tested but FOBs have not been issued yet.</li> </ul> </li> <li>10.18.2023 <ul> <li>District staff attended a training for the new FOB system and are continuing to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Party	(due by)
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learn to use the system. The system is active and staff is working with the principal on handing out FOBS when ready.  • West Linn High School is the last school that still needs a shelter lock system. The district will be going out for bid this fall and construction will be performed next summer.  • District has decided to hire 2 more School Safety & Engagement Specialists, one more for each high school.  11.28.2023  • Trillium Creek completed their FOB training yesterday, staff are ready to use their FOBs and the new door hardware system.  • The 2 new Safety & Engagement Specialists have been hired. Now West Linn High School and Wilsonville High School both have 2 Safety & Engagement Specialists on campus full-time.  12.20.2023  • Operations and IT are still meeting weekly. Isaac Force will start leading these meetings. Maintenance staff are continuing the installation of monitors at the Administration building as well as testing of the alarm systems.  1.24.2024  • We're preparing for the key scan system to be installed at WLHS this summer.  2.21.2024  • This is the last key scan system to be installed and parts have been ordered for installation at WLHS. The resolution has been passed and approved by the Board.  3.20.2024  • The speakers for the secure entry call boxes are not working well. The solution will be new call boxes installed for better communication. With the new call boxes there will be a button to push and the person outside will be able to communicate easily to office staff inside the building.  • New key boxes will be installed at each school site. This will be for staff to check out a key to access exterior doors. At the end of the day the process will be to return the checked-out key to the key box. This system has been in use at the District Operations Center (DOC) and has worked well for maintenance staff. Jeff will work with SRO's to get law enforcement a code to be able to access keys from key boxes.  4.17.2024  • Key boxes have been installed at Wilsonville High School and Boones Ferry	Pat McGough Jeff Chambers	Ongoing

• We are in the final stages of installing key boxes at the primary schools and have received positive feedback from principals. We'll finish the process at the middle schools in the coming weeks. Willamette Primary will be rewired for technology and security upgrades this summer and WLHS will be the last site to have the key scan system installed. This is on schedule to be completed over the summer.

#### 6.12.2024

- Key boxes are complete at all of the primary and Wilsonville HS. The team will be completing this project over the summer.
- Installation of the Viking call boxes has begun. These are similar to gate openers with a keypad. Maintenance will work on finishing installation during summer months.
- Security upgrades will begin at WLHS and TCPS this summer.

#### 7.17.2024

- Security upgrades are in progress at WLHS and have not yet begun at TCPS.
- A fencing company has been selected and the project at Boones Ferry will start once materials are delivered.

#### 9.18.2024

- Security upgrades are complete and the door locking system has been installed at WLHS. New keys have been made for Trillium Creek.
- The fencing project at Boones Ferry continues to progress and is approximately 50% complete.
- Call boxes have been installed at 13 schools. Visitors can now push a button and speak clearly to the office staff. The call boxes will be in sync with the phone systems.

## 10.16.2024

- The call and key box installation are complete at all schools with the exception of WLHS.
- The fencing project at Boones Ferry is now 90% complete. Installing the service gates are the final piece to finish the door keys project. We're waiting on access and locking mechanism to arrive Once competed, gates will be rekeyed to match the exterior door keys. The security fencing was installed to keep people out and there was an exception made by TVF&R to keep the gates locked from the inside during recess. This decision was made to keep students from opening the gate and running away from the building. Protocol is to unlock gates when recess is over. During drills staff and students should be able to get out at all times. Exterior door keys may be checked out during the school day. This topic and procedure will be reviewed by the DLST.

#### 11.20.2024

**Drills** 

# 6.21.2023

• All drills have been completed for the year! All schools met the requirements regarding drills for the year.

#### 7.19.2023

• No drills during the summer.

## 9.20.2023

- All principals have been notified of the drill requirements for the drills they need to complete throughout the year.
- All schools have completed their September fire drills.

# 10.18.2023

- Had a secure event at Bolton and West Linn High School which provided great feedback. WLHS will be performing a lockdown drill on next Friday that will be different from the usual drills they have been running (maybe during passing time).
- The Great Shakeout is tomorrow 10/19. We have 7 schools participating and performing earthquake drills for the shakeout. The district also sent out language to schools on processes for earthquake drills.

# 11.28.2023

• Drills are going well, ensuring that all schools have completed a lockdown, secure and earthquake drill before Winter Break.

Lowrie incident: The 11/15/23 Safety Committee was cancelled due to an incident at Lowrie Primary School. There was an active manhunt in the neighborhood around Lowrie Primary School which caused schools to be delayed for two hours. From this event there was feedback from staff that the district could improve the communication regarding these events. Director of Communications is actively working on a new process for communications for staff in regards to these types of incidents.

#### 12.20.2023

- Schools did a great job finishing drills for the month of December. Jeremy will
  connect with new staff members who have questions in regards to drill protocol.
- Jeremy will also work with schools who need extra training on testing FOBs.

#### 1.24.2024

- Schools working to get January fire drills completed. We continue to see improvements in drills and are working closely with principals to make any adjustments that might be needed.
- Zach reported when a fire drill is scheduled right before lunch or at the end of day dismissal there are students who are leaving campus during the drill. This is causing a safety concern at Wilsonville HS. We will look into finding a way to communicate to students the importance around this topic and provide reasons why students should be present during a fire drill. There was a suggestion made to educate by showing a video on this topic on the TV's located throughout the high schools.

#### 2.21.2024

- Pat will engage with the Director of Communications on building a video around the importance of being present for drills and find a way to communicate this message to high school students.
- The Operations team continues to go to lockdown drills and holds debriefings afterwards. The team is continually reviewing systems involved in drills.

#### 3.20.2024

- We continue to make improvements for drills. There is still an ongoing concern
  of staff and students not being able to hear intercom messages clearly during
  drills. We're working on a solution with the IT department to set up audio files to
  the intercom to repeat the message while also having an option for the principal
  or admin. assistant to make an announcement if needed.
- During a recent lockdown drill at a primary school it was reported that childcare staff members didn't participate in the drill. What is the protocol for childcare groups inside the buildings during a lockdown drill? Mindy has reached out to childcare providers to make sure they are aware of Standard Response Protocols.

#### 4.17.2024

- Childcare groups are now aware of the protocols during drills and will be participating if they are in a building during a drill time.
- The audio files are still going through an update and changes are being made to some of the reminders.

# 5.15.2024

 Drills have gone well this year and principals have done a great job adhering to drill standards. The IT department has finished the updates to the audio files and the updated messaging has been tailored to the specific drill that is being performed.

#### 6.12.2024

- The last fire drill of the school year is scheduled for today (6/12/24).
- For the 24-25 SY we'll partner with principals and create updates to the drill protocols.

#### 7.17.2024

Nothing to report at this time.

## 9.18.2024

- Per Oregon Revised Statutes 336.071 and Oregon Fire Code 403.4.1, the first emergency evacuation drill must be performed within the first 10 days of school and all of the schools in the district have completed this task. An earthquake drill has been completed at two schools so far.
- DSLT met and decided to increase the effectiveness of drills by instructing schools to communicate 'emergency drill' instead of labeling what kind of drill

will be practiced on any one occasion. The intent will be to inform, but raise the level of effectiveness for all drills moving forward.  We have also implemented a new announcement to be played over the intercom system for the purpose of everyone knowing what to expect. Overall, practicing what to do in an emergency would likely lessen anxiety among students. Jeremy completed a memo for this change and met with principals this summer to go over the new protocol and answer questions.  • Another concern brought forward was to notify the nursing team in advance of a drill. This practice could be a helpful and a necessary step when attending to the needs of a student. Nurses should be in communication with principals on times of drills.  10.16.2024  • The Great American ShakeOut 2024 is on October 17th. School participants		
will conduct an earthquake drill and Oregon now has the most schools in the country registered. WLWVSD has 9 schools scheduled to perform an earthquake drill on 10/17/24. For an earthquake drill the emergency button will activate the alert and the building should be evacuated.  There is a board policy around drills that will be reviewed.  11.20.2024		
Environmental Testing 6.21.2023		
<ul> <li>Have tested 6 schools for lead and water in regards to the HASS plan. 5 of the 6 schools are 100% clear and one school remaining, Stafford, one fixture had to replaced and retested.</li> <li>Lowrie radon temporary mitigation efforts during the Spring were effective. Working through the summer with partners to achieve a more permanent solution. Will be using continuous radon monitors throughout the summer to see what adjustments occur.</li> <li>7.19.2023</li> <li>Continuing with radon monitoring at Lowrie PS. Maintenance team will be meeting on 7/27 to discuss how things are going for the summer testing.</li> <li>Have completed all testing at six schools for lead/water testing and all schools have passed their testing.</li> <li>9.20.2023</li> <li>Radon monitoring at Lowrie is ongoing. All of the changes from the Spring are still in effect. The testing period is coming up in October. Lowrie's entire building will be tested for radon starting on October 9<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>Lead testing will be continuing this fall. Jeremy to update as we start testing specific sites.</li> </ul>	eremy ichols Ongoi	ing

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<ul> <li>Lead and water testing will start in April.</li> <li>4.17.2024</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>We're in a holding pattern for the lead and water testing. Containers have arrived</li> </ul>		
and there will be an update once the number comes in. Faucets need to be off for		
12 hours, so typically we look to perform tests around no school days.		
5.15.2024		
• Lead and water testing are complete at IWMS and ACMS. We are now waiting		
for testing results to come back. Wilsonville High School will be the next school		
to test and will be done by the end of the school year.		
6.12.2024		
<ul> <li>Lead and Water testing is completed at IWMS and WHS. There were some</li> </ul>		
fixtures reported above the threshold. Maintenance conducted the protocols of		
turning off water and labeling the fixtures that were identified. These fixtures will		
be replaced. Retesting will begin in the Fall.		
7.17.2024		
Repairs are complete at Wood. Parts for fixtures are on order and maintenance		
will be working on repairs at Wilsonville HS.		
9.18.2024		
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functioning at Wood and Wilsonville HS. Testing numbers are under the action		
unit that was previously high.  10.16.2024		
• The state has announced the continuation of reimbursement to public schools for		
lead in water testing. Under the Healthy and Safe Schools (HASS) program		
school districts are required to test required fixtures for elevated levels of lead		
every 6 years.		
11.20.2024		
Incident Reports 10.18.2023		
• The District Safety Committee will now be investigating all incident reports for		
district staff. Shyla did send a message to staff reminding to fill out the reports for		
any incidents. Since the message she had received two reports, one for a staff		
slipping on water and one from a teacher tripping over student backpacks. For these incidents she will send the committee an email. For other incidents the		
committee will discuss in our monthly meetings.		
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machinery defect. Jeff will work with maintenance staff to get the machinery fixed.

#### 5.15.2024

• The committee reviewed six incident reports and the team reviewed the best course of action for each circumstance. We found one report to be unrelated to employee safety.

#### 6.12.2024

We looked at two incident reports. One being the direct result of sidewalks
becoming unsafe due to trees becoming too big and causing the sidewalk to lift
up. This is a chronic concern at WHS and BFPS. We'll continue to keep an eye
on trees and raised concrete throughout the district. The second incident reviewed
involved a bee sting. The maintenance staff will spray or bury it to get rid of a
bee's nest when someone is stung.

#### 7.17.2024

 Eight incident reports were viewed. In each of these incidents the group determined the best course of action to be taken.

#### 9.18,2024

• Eight incident reports were brought forward and we reviewed best practices for each incident. We continue to hear about staff getting stung by bees. The proper protocol for this is to respond when a nest is found and have the nest sprayed by a licensed maintenance staff member making sure IPM regulations are followed and following up with communication through ParentSquare. Two incidents involved electrical shocks. In both cases the electrical switches or boxes were replaced. We also heard of staff slipping on freshly mopped floors. Jeff and Enrique confirmed that Wet Floor signs were out and visible at the sites where slipping took place. Enrique emphasized the importance of making sure signs are present and visible when floors are wet.

#### 10.16.2024

• There were six incident reports discussed today. Of the six, two were a result of a bee sting. Maintenance has remedied the ground bee issue at the sites where this took place. Another issue came up about a tripping hazard near a tire swing. Maintenance will be adding bark ships to the area exposed by rubber mats. There were two reports of tipping or falling and the maintenance crew will check at buildings where this occurred to make sure there are no tripping hazards causing this to happen. One incident took place with a student trying to bite a staff member. This was handled internally by the building principal.

#### 11.20.2024

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# Safe and Welcoming Schools

#### 1.24.2024

• With the update of the Long Range Facilities Plan, one of the priorities is Safe and Welcoming Schools. The District Safety Committee will be the primary Focus group to provide input for a Task Force. Focus groups gather information to present to the Task Force and will make recommendations to the Long Range Planning Committee. The Safe and Welcoming Schools Task Force will need one member of the District Safety Committee to be a part of their Task Force. There is a Focus Group meeting scheduled for Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>.

## 2.21.2024

• Leon Mongeau was selected as the Safety Committee member to participate in the Focus group. There is a Task Force meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup> and the SROs will also be a part of this team. After meeting, the group will make a recommendation to the Long Range Planning Committee.

#### 3.20.2024

• The Task Force meeting took place on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Feedback was well represented. The final report is being formulated and the team will make a recommendation to the LRPC.

#### 4.17.2024

• The Long Range Planning Committee has a meeting tonight (4/17/24) and will be discussing the Long Range Facilities Plan update. The Bond team has met with all of the primary principals and meetings have been planned to meet with middle and high principals.

Pat McGough

# **5.15.2024**• T

• The LRPC is still conducting Task Force meetings and has met with all, but one of the primary principals and all of the middle school principals. The team will be meeting with high school principals next.

#### 6.12.2024

- All seven Task Force meetings have taken place and the recommendations have been brought forward to the LRPC. The team has met with both RHS and WLHS principals. The team will be meeting with Kelly Schmidt, principal of WHS this week.
- Security upgrades will begin this summer at WLHS and TCPS.

#### 7.17.2024

 Task Force meetings are complete and recommendations will be finalized in the next few weeks and forwarded to the Committee. LRPC meeting tonight at the District office.

#### 9.18.2024

• The Long Range Planning Committee will meet tonight.

## 10.16.2024

• The Long Range Planning Committee will meet again tonight at the District office. Information will be presented by all 7 Task Forces. Estimates of total cost of districtwide projects will be completed. The Board is the final decision maker to move forward with a future bond and will determine the timing of a future vote in May or November 2025. This will be presented at a future Board meeting.

#### 11.20.2024

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#### **School Safety Concerns**

#### 1.24.24

• Social media threat made against two middle schools in the district. Staff is concerned and students feel unsafe at school. How does the district deal with these concerns? This topic will be discussed at DSLT.

#### 2.21.2024

- The DSLT is using this topic for table top exercises in Leadership meetings and PTA Focus groups in an effort to practice and how to respond to this type of situation. The District does its best to communicate factual information in a timely manner.
- There have been two instances of an unidentified person walking through the Tripp parking lot at West Linn High School. This was reported to Officer Johnson and the School Safety and Engagement Specialist, but no one was found. Allyson asked if there are cameras in this parking lot. The Tripp lot does not have cameras. The DSLT will discuss this topic at their next meeting.

#### 3.20.2024

- The Tripp lot concern will be on the agenda for the next DSLT meeting.
- During the ice storm a tree fell in the forested area of Trillium Creek Primary School. What can be done to keep this a safe educational space for learning? The trees in the forest area of Trillium Creek were accessed and are as safe as can be. Discretion is advised when allowing students to access this area during recess on windy days. The area is currently closed, but the soil will also continue to dry out.
- Arborists are seeing an increase in concern for trees due to environmental changes. Close attention is being brought to any changes found in trees across the district.

# 4.17.2024

- The Tripp lot concern is one of the topics on the agenda for the next DSLT meeting.
- We are seeing an increase in damaged trees across the District. The weather conditions are tough on trees nowadays and District wide we're seeing the effects of damage. Moving forward we'll deal with tree problems as they arise.
- There are issues with raised concrete around the District. This is due to trees
  becoming too big and the tree wells being smaller than usual.
  Some trees may need to come out for safety reasons. The maintenance team will
  be keeping a close watch on the raised concrete around the District.
- What can be done to improve protocol for medical emergencies in buildings? Pat will bring this topic forward to the Student Services team.

Pat
McGough,
Jeremy
Nichols
&
Steve
Matthias

## 5.15.2024

- We continue to keep an eye on the health of the trees around the District. The maintenance team has been working on tree limb cleanup at Oppenlander.
- Can security cameras be added to the Tripp lot at WLHS? There's always requests for extra cameras to be added to school sites, but we've got limits to the budget for this. When adding a security camera to a site, we meet with the principal and consider where the camera could serve the best value. The life cycle of a camera is approximately seven years.

#### 6.12.2024

- We are looking at creating a list of cameras at sites that may be moved to create better student safety.
- Within the last month our maintenance staff did tree cleanup at TCPS, removed two dead trees from IWMS and finished tree limb cleanup on 23 trees at the Oppenlander site.

#### 7.17.2024

- Camera work will be an ongoing summer project.
- The Maintenance department continues to monitor tree health and will perform clean up on trees where needed.

#### 9.18.2024

- The Operations Department is now responsible for cameras and looking at best practices, we'll continue to be in communication with principals on this topic. In addition, there is a new AR to Board policy ECAC-Video Monitoring.
- The grounds crew has been working throughout the district trimming trees and taking down dead tree branches. This is a necessary step to create better lighting in spots where trees were blocking outdoor lights.
- Over the summer there was maintenance done on the big oak tree at WHS. This
  tree damage was possibly from the Mediterranean oak borer (MOB). The tree is
  trying to be saved and has another application of pesticide. We're in a holding
  pattern to see if there are any improvements.
- What is the direction in briefing new office staff on the procedures of the door locking FOBS and what if one is accidentally taken off campus? We'll continue to monitor the best way to communicate FOB procedures to new office staff.

## 10.16.2024

- The Maintenance department has made wide improvements trimming tree branches throughout the district. The oak tree at WHS continues to show signs of damage from the Mediterranean oak borer.
- There is a concern for students climbing trees at recess. This topic will be discussed at the next DSLT meeting.

#### 11.20.2024

## **Activating ERT**

# 9.18.2024

• With the activation of ERT, can a student's name be shared? The concern is around confidentiality, not delaying care and making sure care is offered when there is an emergency. It would be helpful for the ERT to know what student is involved in the emergency. There is a current policy written on how to activate ERT that office staff follow.

#### 10.16.2024

• There needs to be an understanding or agreement made with guidance around a building emergency and using a student's name over the radios.
The IT department is working on the roll out of a new communication device that will replace radios and the timeline for having this available is within months.
Having the new device could solve this problem. In addition, this item will be added to the agenda at the next DSLT meeting.

#### 11.20.2024

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Karen Pyeatt

Cleaning Products in Schools  9.18.2024  • There have been concerns with disinfectant in schools. Are they safe around kids and should kids be using them? During COVID a 764 disinfectant was used and		
the intent was for teachers to spray desks and then clean the desks. There is now a safer product that is a peroxide cleaner (730). We are working with Waxie to get supplies and to train teachers how to apply 730. The proper use of this product includes applying the application by streaming not spraying. We made a video to share this information with teaching staff and Jeff will also be communicating this change to principals. The product 730 disinfectant will replace the 764 disinfectant at all school sites.  10.16.2024  Principals were notified with instructions to share the video link with staff. There was a follow-up made with great responses from principals. We're still waiting the arrival of labels for cleaning products and anticipate them arriving this week. There is no mandate for teachers to clean surfaces, but the district will continue to provide and have cleaning products available for teachers to use with the understanding these products are not for student use. Communication is ongoing	Jeff Chambers Enrique Guillen	Ongoing

## 11.20.2024

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# NEW SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES/DISCUSSION:

with our Waxie rep to keep an eye on other solutions.

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NEXT MEETING: November 20, 2024 - via Zoom at 7:00AM

Meeting Minutes were prepared by Mindy Schmitz (<u>schmitzm@wlwv.k12.or.us</u>). Please submit in writing any corrections to the West Linn-Wilsonville District Safety Committee prior to the next meeting date; otherwise the minutes will stand as reported.