

**IDAHO SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY ADVISORY BOARD
VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING**

Thursday – January 11, 2018 - 12:00 p.m. (MT)

**Division of Building Safety
1090 East Watertower Street, Suite 150, Meridian
1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220, Coeur d’Alene
2055 Garrett Way, Building 1, Suite 4, Pocatello**

*NOTE: The following report is not a verbatim transcript of the discussions at the meeting,
But is intended to record the significant features of those discussions.*

Chairman Rep. Wendy Horman called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. (MT)

Board Members Present:

Rep. Wendy Horman, Chairman
Matt Freeman, Vice-Chairman
Logan Easley
John Ganske
David Gates
James Fry
Matt McCarter
Becky Meyer
Jeri Henley
Chad Huff
Theresa Luna, proxy Brad Richy

DBS Staff Members Present:

Chris Jensen, Administrator
Spencer Holm, Deputy Attorney General
Jeff Egan, Region 2 Manager
Brian Armes, IOSSS Program Manager
Mark Feddersen, North School Analyst
Mike Munger, Southwest School Analyst
Guy Bliesner, East School Analyst
Kayla Harris-Baker, Administrative Assistant 1

Board Members Absent:

Sen. Marv Hagedorn
Jeff Gunter

◆ **Approval of January 11, 2018 Agenda and September 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Board Member Gates made a motion to approve the January 12, 2018 agenda and September 21, 2017 Board meeting minutes as presented. Jeri Henley seconded. Board Member McCarter suggested spell check edits of statues versus statutes. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Program Manager Report**

Overview of Last Year – Manager Armes presented a printout in the packet that addresses school assessment numbers, as well as trending information from assessments statewide. He discussed the School Safety Assessment is setting the guideline for the School Safety Standards in schools. He reviews last meetings school assessment information and proceeds to share how the comparison of each year’s data will be used in the fourth year of the office. He went over major trends from the assessment standpoint. Controlling the perimeter of the

schools was the primary trending. He gave statistical numbers for how many of the assessed school campuses were securable at the perimeter. In 2016, 40 percent of schools had a securable perimeter, while in 2017, 54 percent had a securable perimeter. Less than 3 percent of schools had fully secured at the fence line in both years. He further expresses how time is spent educating administrators on the nature of secured fencing to expel your standoff distances from any potential hazard. He shared how most communities prefer campuses to remain available for communal use, so he gave the solution of securing it while students are on campus and making it available during non-school hours. Access controlled in 2017 was 54 percent that utilized the access properly. Vice Chair Matt Freeman clarified that the 54 percent represented the number of schools securing all perimeter doors. PM Armes confirmed. Manager Armes highlighted the changes of supervision and surveillance. The 2016 Assessment had supervision labeled as Obvious, Moderate, Lightly, Not Visible. He explains the issue with vendors and school facilities using cameras as supervision. He shares that only 8 percent of schools consider their surveillance actively monitored. He discussed the culture and climate information. In 2016, the question of bullying on campus was answered in the Obvious, Moderate, Lightly, Not Visible. In 2017, the question was changed to Increasing, Decreasing or Steady. He explains the trend states that most administration for schools have changed on campus bullying to decreasing, while cyber-bullying has increased. Board Member McCarter question how many schools is considered one-third. PM Armes answered that 80 is roughly the number. McCarter inquired about cyber-bullying numbers supported by data. PM Armes further explained that the numbers are anecdotal, that the only data that would be configured is from discipline from cyber-bullying numbers. Board Member requested the definition of bullying. PM Armes elaborated into how facilities have been teaching conflict resolution and parent biased on children. PM Armes asked Board Member McCarter on how the SDE has approached tracking of bullying. McCarter shared that the 2015 Legislation pass on bullying required districts to report incidents of bullying and harassment. The SDE tracks it as incidents that needed formal action. Manager Armes went on to discuss school wide positive behavior programs. In 2016, the percentage was 89.5, but the question is being redefined. He went on to give Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) as an example of a positive behavior program that is being utilized by facilities. Board Member Gates requested clarification on making changes to the Assessment Tool too often for comprehensive data. PM Armes expounded that there is no legal requirement of the office or the board to compound data. Vice Chair compounded on the fact that the advisory board does not have a compliance part to the statute.

Training and Consulting – The Program Manager gave a quick list of training and consulting hours. To date, the office had acquired 532 of training and consulting. Of which was broken down into multiple data points. Part of this time is training pre-service teacher and administrators.

Exit Interviews with Administrators – Southwest Analyst Mike Munger presented on communicating the assessment points to administrator of school facilities. He showed the board the exit interview profiles on a PowerPoint presentation. He expands on how the assessment is represented as a deficiency based document and sharing that information prior to exit interviews aides in the process. There was an example radar graph shared, which consists of the five points, Student Supervision, Operations, Facility, Policy Training,

Community and School Climate and Culture. PM Armes questioned about how the process has been being received by principals. Analyst Munger answered that it has helped show the big picture of the school and then go down the points in pieces. Analyst Bliesner added that the visual piece of the assessment has helped aide in understanding.

North Idaho College (NIC) – Northern Analyst Mark Feddersen shared the update on the threats on school campus changes in the law. He also discussed his tabletop with the NIC. The college requested the office’s presence in their active shooter tabletop. PM Armes furthered the discussion with the ingress into higher education campuses.

Communications – Southeastern Analyst Guy Bliesner discussed helping schools build unified communications plans within school districts. He addressed the concern with many schools not have adequate communication on campuses, like a Public Address (PA) system. He has been working with Board Member Gates and first responder communities to repurpose radios for school districts.

Idaho Positive Behavior Network (IPBIN) – Program Manager Armes discussed receiving a grant with Boise State University (BSU). He discussed the office’s role in the grant containing the assessments. He also shared that the office’s role with the BSU grant is valued at \$135,000. His goal with the money coming into the office will be to put together the videos for training. Vice Chair clarified that the grant has been awarded to the office. PM Armes clarified that it was granted already and that it would be taking place until 2021.

Legislative Report – PM Armes presented the drafted legislative report to the advisory board. Board Member McCarter asked about the formula for measuring goal five. PM Armes responded for activity based. Chairperson Horman asked about anticipating the need for additional staff. PM Armes answered not at this time. Board Member Henley asked about jamming up lines, Armes stated the digital platform for texting is easier for towers. Board Member Gates wants to discuss ancillary ramifications. PM Armes stated that forensic evidence states that communication is occurring despite the situation. Board Member McCarter asked the projected timeframe for a completed legislative report. PM Armes stated the end of the next week.

Law Enforcement Advisory Group – DAG Holm discussed the documents shared for creating legislation. Board Member Huff inquires on behalf of the sheriff’s board to take a vote on draft language. Board Member Fry had called the Fraternal Order of Police to look at the Title 18-33. Chairperson Horman requested the draft of legislature suggested.

◆ **Administrator Report**

Financial Report – Administrator Jensen reviewed The Idaho School Safety and Security Advisory Board Fund, FY 2017 financial statement as of January 11, 2018.

Administrator Report – Administrator Jensen reviewed DBS Administrator Report which is a regularly addressed agenda item.

◆ **Adjournment**

MOTION: Board Member Huff made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Board Member Gates seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m. (MT).

WENDY HORMAN, CHAIRWOMAN
IDAHO SCHOOL SAFETY AND
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CHRIS JENSEN, ADMINISTRATOR
DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

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