

School Safety and Student Well-Being Advisory Committee

9:00 am–12:00 pm
September 22, 2022
Location: Via Zoom

Meeting Notes

Purpose of the School Safety and Student Well-Being Advisory Committee (SS-SWAC)

- Second Substitute House Bill 1216 (2019–20) states: “The purpose of this committee is to advise the Superintendent, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction’s School Safety Center, the Regional Safety Centers, school districts, and public and private schools on all matters related to comprehensive school safety and student well-being”.

Looking Forward/Schedule Outline

- The 2022–23 schedule:
 - Three advisory committee meetings plus the Annual School Safety Summit.
 - Meetings will be focused on learning and discussion.
 - The Summit will be utilized to create high priority topics of focus for the 2023–24 year.
- The 2023–24 schedule:
 - Three advisory committee meetings plus the Annual School Safety Summit.
 - Meetings will be focused on the priority topics from the 2023 School Safety Summit to expand knowledge and understanding.
 - The 2024 School Safety Summit will continue the work of the full biennium to finalize recommendations for the 2024 Legislative Report.
- Access the [2022 Annual School Safety Summit Report](#) and past meeting notes on the [OSPI SS-SWAC webpage](#).

Legislative and OSPI Updates

- Anna Marie Dufault has been hired as the new OSPI Assistant Superintendent of Student Engagement and Support.
- Kerry Bloomquist has been hired as the new OSPI Behavioral Health and Suicide Prevention Program Supervisor.

Title IV Funding

Facilitated by Cara Patrick, OSPI

- Presentation included:
 - Program purposes.
 - Funding.
 - Grant process and grant requirements.
 - Program narrative.
 - [Bipartisan Safer Communities Act \(BSCA\); P.L. 117-159](#).
 - Funding.
 - Stronger Connections Grant (SCG).
 - Grant conditions.
 - Programmatic examples.
 - Next steps.
- A full copy of the presentation will be included with these notes and also posted to the [OSPI SS-SWAC webpage](#).
- Cara will be sending a survey as follow up to her presentation. We appreciate your feedback!

Comprehensive School Safety Update

Facilitated by Mike Donlin, OSPI

- Presentation included:
 - [RCW 28A.320.125](#) requirements
 - Examples of hazards and threats
 - Comprehensive school safety plans and planning process
 - Current topics of discussion in comprehensive school safety
- A full copy of the presentation will be included with these notes and also posted to the [OSPI SS-SWAC webpage](#).

Data Updates

Facilitated by Ross Boylan, OSPI

- Presentation included:
 - RCW 28A.300.645 data collection updates.
 - Safety and security staff data and next steps.
- A full copy of the presentation will be included with these notes and also posted to the [OSPI SS-SWAC webpage](#).

SS-SWAC-YAC Presentation: Mental Health Awareness,

Primary School and Beyond

- Presentation included:
 - Reasons for starting mental health awareness in primary school.
 - K–8 mental health statistics.
 - Current mental health education for K–8 students.
 - Burn out.
 - Mental health equity.
 - Lack of resources/stigma.
 - Suggestions.
- A full copy of the presentation will be included with these notes and also posted to the [OSPI SS-SWAC webpage](#).
- Further discussion with the SS-SWAC-YAC highlighted the need/want for more affinity groups in schools.

Open Discussion Time

- We utilized extra time at the end of the meeting for open discussion around comments and/or suggestions for the upcoming year of meetings. Suggestions included:
 - Impact of climate change on our student/staff physical and mental health. Hardening infrastructures and climate resiliency.
 - Addressing SEL and mental health supports while still protecting instructional time. Invite Tammy Bolen to present on integrating SEL within traditional curriculum.
 - Restraint and isolation workgroup update at the February SS-SWAC meeting.
 - Attorney General’s Tipline Advisory Committee
 - Washington State is working to create a youth safety and well-being line available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to address a spectrum of youth safety & well-being concerns and connect youth with appropriate resources. This is a follow-up to the initial survey launched in July 2022. If youth and young adults did not respond to the initial survey, we would still love to hear from them! [Access the survey HERE](#).
 - Trauma-informed education.
 - Discipline practices and the impact on the social and emotional health of BIPOC students in particular. Re-engagement and restorative practices.
 - Place-based learning—going beyond land acknowledgements) so native and indigenous students feel included/represented in their school systems.

- Substitute Senate Bill (SSB) 5030—Comprehensive School Counseling Programs.

Closing Remarks

Upcoming Meetings

- SS-SWAC 2022-2023 Meeting #2: December 8, 2022; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm