School Safety Advisory Committee Meeting  
February 7, 2013  
Brouillet Conference Room – OSPI  
Olympia, WA

Attendees: Mike Donlin; Frank Hewins; Marci Scott; Barbara Thurman; Roseanne Garrand; Paul Harrison; Joe Pope; Walt Bigby; Randy Town; Linda Crerar; Dixie Grunenfelder; Mike Graddon; Nancy Bernard; Peggy Sandberg; Scott LeBar; Chuck Goodwin; Dierk Meierbachtol.

Introduction and welcome

Reviewed meeting notes from January meeting and approved.

Mike Donlin gave updates on the following:

School Safety Documents
- Safety Corp document reflects an overarching approach to school safety and is a one pager with “Talking Points” of what we already have in place and is a brief summary.
- Position Paper framework to be posted on the OSPI Web site – School Safety Center and is not a final document
- Survey Gizmo – SRO, SSO, CSO survey that was sent out to building principals (approximately 2300 buildings) on Monday, February 4, 2013, and as of today there have been 464 surveys completed. The committee suggested sending out a reminder for those who haven’t completed to please do so and that to validate the survey it should be at least 40 percent participation. This survey should give OSPI and committee a good sense of what is going on in schools regarding school security.
- HIB work group – The Anti-Bullying workgroup decided to submit a Legislative Report to the legislators this year even though not due until next session to update them. The report started out as 6 pages and ended up being 2 for Representative Liias. There may be a bill dropped which will include emotional bullying and hazing. Mike mentioned that at this time OSPI has some monies coming from Title II to do some Compliance Officer training out in the field.
- From the Behavior report, suspensions for bullying are down almost 10.5% statewide. HYS data in comparing 2010-12 bullying has not changed. This could be due to the awareness and more incidents are being reported. Marci Scott mentioned that Channel 4 KOMO in conjunction with Community for Children have an Anti-Bullying Campaign airing at this time. Mike/OSPI was asked for input prior to these spots being aired.
- Gangs in School – Randy Town, Greg Williamson, and Mike Donlin met with Tacoma School District regarding Gangs in schools and how to strike a balance between suspension and expulsions – and programs that had impact on the community. Frank Hewins commented that they have noticed in Franklin Pierce lower incidents of gangs in schools but higher outside of school and how to address. What are the alternatives to suspensions – perhaps, Restorative Justice.
- Brief Summary of that have been dropped that could have potential impact on Safety Advisory – School Safety Center. These bills are: 5155;5197;5244;5245;5301;5365;5440

Randy Town introduced Mike Graddons. Mike does Marijuana detection training for school administrators and teachers. Mike was an SRO at Mt. Rainier High Schools and a Police Officer.
Mike gave a good introduction to the training and there was a handout outlining it. The handout will be posted on the OSPI/Safety Center Web page. There were lots of questions regarding the schools responsibility and the police involvement due to the fact that it is a legal substance. Good discussion around the topic. The training may be offered several different ways via, K-20; webinar; online; face-to-face; and Train the Trainers.

Joe Pope and Randy Town explained their proposed version of the “Safety Corp”. They passed out the handout that outlined their proposal. The main concept of the Safety Corp would include OPSI partnering with CJTC and the 9 Educational Service Districts which would coordinate with regional school districts for training; mental health services; suicide prevention-intervention; ICS; Threat Assessment; CPTED and Security Assessment. The bulk of their idea had the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) provide an increase from 25 to a new total of 80 hours of Training and Development Curriculum; for SROs/SSOs and School Administrators, and Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT). Joe indicated that he’d talked to Randy Dorn who liked the idea. They also noted that Sue Rahr, CJTC Director, was in favor. Randy asked if there would be support from the committee on this proposal. Bruce said that he didn’t think that WASPC would support it. Mike thought that some of this might be able to fit into the more comprehensive “Safety Corps” concept which the Committee had been previously discussing. There was conversation around the need for a coordinated infrastructure among ESDs and OSPI.

Peggy gave a brief update on the fire which destroyed Crestline Elementary School in Vancouver the previous weekend. At this point, students and teachers have been relocated for the remainder of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00.