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WESLACO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Weslaco ISD Safety Task Force

WESLACO ISD ADMINISTRATION DISCUSS SAFETY MEASURES WITH CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Minutes from the *Weslaco ISD Safety Task Force* meeting on July 27th, 2022. The meeting was held at Weslaco High School.

Those in attendance were Dr. Dino Coronado, Superintendent of Weslaco ISD; Abel Aguilar, Deputy Superintendent; Chief Rivera Weslaco P.D.; Danny Reyna, Director of Safety and Security; Dr. Cynthia Cid, Director of Student Support Services; Carlos Robledo, Executive Director of District Communications; Gilbert Rebolloso, B. Garza MS Principal; Carlos Martinez, Executive Director of Technology; Jay Garza, Technology; Beatriz Solano, Assistant Superintendent; Daniel Budimir, Assistant Superintendent; Susan Strong, Weslaco ISD Health and Safety Coordinator; Orlando Pena, Director of Operations; Americo Garza, Executive Director of Maintenance and Operations; Pablo Vallejo, Director of Maintenance.

Discussion about adding more personnel to the Weslaco ISD Safety Task Force.

Staff ID cards will be required of every employee.

Required School Safety Action Steps are in place from TEA

Active Shooter Training for Weslaco ISD has been scheduled for September 5th & Oct. 31st

Installation of night lock systems to keep doors locked during an emergency. Door stops, the auto door and more. Grant submitted to purchase Safety Vestibules for all schools.

Discussion took place about the enforcement of using only designated entrances and exits to buildings. The use of side doors and other exits will be strictly prohibited.

Security cameras at all our schools are being maintained and updated as needed.

First-Aid kits at all our schools will be updated.

An updated Raptor System has been installed. Raptor is a visitor management system that enhances school security by reading visitor drivers' licenses (or other approved state-issued ID), comparing information to a sex offender database by alerting school administrators.

Dr. Cynthia, Cid Director of Student Support Services, is working with employees and staff to help identify students who need mental health help. There are certain red flags that can be identified. The initiative is to help students feel connected to our schools. She will conduct workshops with teachers, security guards and other employee groups.

Presentation by Chief Rivera of the Weslaco Police Department. Chief Rivera spoke about the PD's ability to help identify threats. Discussion took place about a technology that will allow PD to monitor school cameras.

NIMS training was recommended for all administrators. The National Incident Management System training program helps to reduce risk by creating better preparedness for emergencies.

In Emergency Take Action flyers and posters created by the "I love you guys foundation-Standard Response Protocols" will be placed in a folder and shared with principals so they can access and print them for their campuses.

Principal training for school security will take place in August and be rolled out during staff development days.

Security Guards will be required to conduct perimeter checks and make sure all doors are locked and secured.

Discussion was held about having a police presence during large school events. Police will be present at all elementary schools during the August 18th Meet the Teacher event.

Weslaco ISD/City of Weslaco partnership on COPS Grant Award (approximately 244 high frequency radios for our district).