

Dallas School District No. 2
Safety Committee Meeting
District Office – Board Room
January 17, 2019

Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m.

In Attendance: Kevin Montague, Trista Girt, Arriel Robinson, Brian Rebischke, Gloria Lundin, Jenny White

1.0 Welcome

2.0 Review and Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2018 – Brian moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion received a second from Gloria and passed unanimously.

3.0 Review Current month injury reports – Through “Work Shouldn’t Hurt” discussions, it was determined it would be a good idea to look for better arm guards. The ones currently in use still allow for severe bruising when students bite. Some staff also experience broken skin through the arm guards when bitten by more aggressive students.

Injury #6 – Staff member was hit by a swing located in a SpEd classroom.

Discussion – There isn’t much that can be done based on installation requirements. Staff will just need to be aware of the proximity.

Injury #12 – A student was in an auto accident while running an errand for a staff member.

Discussion – District policy has been clarified at DHS to prevent future potential incidents.

Injury #13 – Student was injured putting hand through glass in fire extinguisher box door while pushing off the wall during a PE class.

Discussion – The box has been repaired and the glass replaced with plexiglass.

Injury #14 – A student injured their knee falling from a scooter in the parking lot.

Discussion – Committee doesn’t understand why the student was on a scooter board in the parking lot. There was no other information provided on the action form for clarification.

Typically the committee does not receive injury reports concerning students. However, Debbie wanted the committee to be aware of the above specific incidents to allow for recommendations, if any.

The maintenance department has gone through the district and planed down all potential sidewalk and concrete tripping hazards at each building.

Injury reports have declined at Lyle. It is believed the decline in injuries is due to extra trainings and preventative measures, such as using mats.

There was discussion on how to better prepare for the start of each school year since it seems there are many more injuries in the first couple months of school compared to the rest of the year. The idea of a form being filled out at the end of each year which would be forwarded to the new teacher was discussed. Another option presented was using TiNet more effectively. Regardless of the type of communication used, teachers communicating with teachers is best.

The team would like to compare injury reports at the beginning of the 2019-20 school year with those this school year to see how the additional trainings this year have helped. Especially since MANDT trainings have been offered to more and more staff, specifically the general education teachers.

- 4.0 Review building Employee Safety Concern submissions if any.** – No concerns submitted.
- 5.0 Safety Committee Members Pictures and Short Bio** – The general theme from the district wide survey indicated staff do not know who their safety committee building reps are. So we will take pictures to send out with the next update.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15

Next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2019

Submitted by:

Kate Hall