

Minutes January 26, 2022

Crisis Management Team Regular Meeting

Waxahachie Independent School District

The Crisis Management Team of the Waxahachie Independent School District met on January 26, 2022, for a Regular Meeting. With a quorum present, Deputy Superintendent Lee Auvenshine called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m. Members present: Kam Bridgers, John Rodgers, Philip Gurke, Rolando Gomez, Josh Oliver, Kim Kriegel, Jacob Perry, Belvis Noland, Jenni McLemore, Thomas Griffith, Jason Venable, Ryan Kahlden, Jenny Bridges, Brandy Pustejovsky, Wade Goolsby and Lyssa Ridlehuber. Others present but not members: Monica James – WISD Chief Human Resources Officer, Daniel Frisby – City of Waxahachie Emergency Management.

Rolando Gomez made a motion for approval of Minutes from the previous meeting. Jacob Perry seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

At 11:33 a.m. the team entered into Closed Session by general consent and unopposed announcement of presiding officer pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Government Code to deliberate:

- Potential threats that have impacted campuses this school year;
- Specific plans for a reunification drill regarding Waxahachie High School;
- The District’s multi-hazard emergency operations emergency operations plan (Crisis Management Plan) under 37.108 (a) of the Education Code; and,
- The tri-annual security audit of the district’s facilities required under Section 37.108 (b) of the Education Code.

The Crisis Management Team reconvened into Open Session at 12:12 p.m.

Discussion Items:

- Discussion of continued development of SRO program and security team under the leadership of Waxahachie Police Department Lt. Josh Oliver.
 - All things security and SRO related are going very well – COVID has affected the team but have 2 “rover” officers who are able to cover a campus if someone is out
- Discussion regarding safety drills at campuses pertaining to all hazards and threats.
 - Notifications are coming through DIR-S app regularly and drills seem to be running smoothly on campuses – drill requirements per year come from the Texas School Safety Center
- Discussion and possible action to recommend increased usage of drug dogs.
 - District using a new canine detection company this year (H1K9), and we have been able to search more students per month with better efficiency. While classrooms are being searched by the dog, students are walking through a metal detector. Recommended to do an additional search per month in the high school campuses parking lots for remainder of the school year.
- Discussion of WISD’s response to COVID and update regarding current conditions.
 - WISD had a strong wave December to January along with the county and state – at the time of the meeting the District is seeing fewer unfilled sub jobs and student attendance percentages are rising on campuses

John Rodgers made a motion to adjourn. Jacob Perry seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

Notice of Regular Meeting of the WISD Crisis Management Team

Waxahachie ISD Crisis Management Team

The role of the District Crisis Management Team is to maintain and update the District Crisis Management Plan, ensure all required staff complete required training, provide tabletop drills on a regular basis, debrief and evaluate district and campus crisis response, provide leadership and support for campus staff, and provide and maintain crisis plans for all staff aligned with the District Crisis Management Plan. The District Crisis Management Team serves as the School Safety and Security Committee in compliance with Section 37.109 of the Education Code.

A meeting of the Waxahachie ISD Crisis Management Team will be held on January 26, 2022, beginning at 11:30 AM in the boardroom of the Waxahachie ISD Administration Building located at 411 N. Gibson Street, Waxahachie, TX 75165.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or acted upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice agenda.

- A. CALL TO ORDER.
 - 1. Announcement by presiding officer that a quorum is present, that the meeting has been duly called, and that notice of the meeting has been duly posted for time and manner required by law.
 - 2. Consideration and approval of Minutes from previous meeting.
- B. CLOSED SESSION.
 - 1. Pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Government Code, the District Crisis Management Team will deliberate the deployment, and specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel and devices, in general and specifically in relation to:
 - a. potential threats that have impacted campuses during this school year;
 - b. specific plans for a reunification drill regarding Waxahachie High School;
 - c. the district's multi-hazard emergency operations plan (Crisis Management Plan) under 37.108 (a) of the Education Code; and,
 - d. the tri-annual security audit of the district's facilities required under Section 37.108 (b) of the Education Code.
- C. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION.
 - 1. Discussion and possible action to approve any items recommended in closed session.
- D. DISCUSSION ITEMS.
 - 1. Discussion of continued development of SRO program and security team under the leadership of Waxahachie Police Department Lt. Josh Oliver.
 - 2. Discussion regarding safety drills at campuses pertaining to all hazards and threats.
 - 3. Discussion and possible action to recommend increased usage of drug dogs.
 - 4. Discussion of WISD's response to COVID-19 and update regarding current conditions.
- E. ADJOURN.

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on: *January 21, 2022*
11:45 A.M.


For the District Crisis Management Team