

**NOTES**  
**SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**(Spring 2021 Public Meeting)**  
**May 27, 2021 - 3:30PM**  
**Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams**

- **Welcome and Introductions**

The School Safety and Security Committee held a virtual Spring 2021 Public Meeting, via Microsoft Teams, on May 27, 2021. Business Logistics & Purchasing Officer Alexis Licata called the meeting to order at 3:30. Committee and Support Staff members present are indicated below.

<b>Committee/Support Staff Member</b>	<b>Status</b>
Grenita Lathan	Present
Dr. Patricia Allen	Present
Kathy Blueford-Daniels	Present
Assistant Police Chief Lucretia Rogers (for HISD PD Chief Lopez)	Present
HPD Executive Chief Matt Slinkard (for HPD Chief Finner)	Present
Principal Carlos Phillips	Present
Jennifer Simmons	Present
Melissa Guerrero	Present
Willie Spencer	Present
Zandra Aguilar	Present
Alexis Licata	Present

<b>Committee/Support Staff Member</b>	<b>Status</b>
Roberta Scott	Present
Erica Graham	Present
Lisa McBride	-
Veronica Mabasa	Present
Jackie Birmingham	Present
Yesenia Taylor	Present
Melissa Lopez	Present

- **Approval of Minutes from September 30, 2020**

Upon motion by Melissa Lopez, seconded by Jennifer Simmons, the minutes of the September 30, 2020 School Safety and Security Committee Meeting (Fall 2020 Public Meeting) were approved by a vote of 9-0.

<b>Voting Member</b>	<b>Favor</b>	<b>Oppose</b>
Grenita Lathan	x	
Dr. Patricia Allen	x	
Kathy Blueford-Daniels	x	

Lucretia Rogers – proxy for Pedro Lopez	x	
Matt Slinkard – proxy for Troy Finner	x	
Zandra Aguilar	x	
Carlos Phillips	x	
Jennifer Simmons	x	
Melissa Guerrero	x	

- **Speakers to Agenda**
  - There were no speakers to the agenda items.
- **COVID-19 Update** (Jackie Birmingham)
  - Masks: Executive Order No. GA-36 states that the district may not mandate the wearing of face coverings after June 4, 2021.
  - Physical distancing protocols still apply to all settings in the district.
  - Guidelines limiting non-essential visitors still apply.
  - Handwashing with soap and water is encouraged.
  - Efforts are being made to maintain healthy facilities: HVAC settings should maximize ventilation, bringing in as much outdoor air as possible. High-touch surfaces are cleaned regularly. Self-serve food or drink options are limited.
  - Contact tracing continues for presumed, confirmed, and exposed cases.
- **HISD Police Department Updates** (Assistant Police Chief Rogers)
  - Continued community outreach efforts: Six assigned Community outreach officers; DARE Program begins in Fall 2021 with ten campuses; and TAPS Program is slated to continue with 25 campuses in 21-22.
  - Annual training begins June 1, including Active Shooter training and annual firearms qualifications. Training will also include De-escalation techniques and CPI training with HISD Social-Emotional Learning Department.
- **Risk Management Updates** (Melissa Lopez)
  - Winter Storm Update: Ongoing HISD insurance claim related to winter storm Feb. 2021; 151 district locations damaged or affected by the winter storm.
  - Hurricane Preparedness training was provided to HISD leadership; Refuge of Last Resort training was held for principals of campuses that will be designated as Refuges of Last Resorts. Both groups received supporting documentation to refer to in the event of a hurricane in our area.

- Required Safety Drills: Mandatory drills have changed under Texas Education Code. In consultation with the Texas School Safety Center and the fire marshal, the district has implemented selected drills which should be documented on the drill card and maintained in the fire marshal binder. Campuses have received signage, flyers and posters to distribute throughout the building and all are available to safety captains electronically.
- **Remarks**
  - Ms. Licata recognized Dr. Lathan for her support to the district and to the committee. Dr. Lathan responded that it has been an honor to work with the committee and thanked them for their service on the committee and thank you to members of Team HISD. and was appreciative of the opportunity to serve as the leader of HISD.
- **Closing**
  - The Safety and Security Committee meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.