

ALBEM Fall General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 a.m. by Ron Hoppe.

Attendees were: Karen Williams, Cindy Young, Leticia Rodriguez, Delisa Brister, Sparkle Peterson, Cheryl Dennison, Marybeth Murray, Stephani Dunn, Mona Cook, Tammy Lavelle, Karen Derouso, Terrence Bryant, Marissa Pacheco, Veronica Plascencia, Carrie Nemece, Donna Snyder, Ron Hoppe, Terence Booth, Ninette Rosa, Gonzalo Moraga and Thomas Hickman (guest speaker).

Chief Hickman – School Safety Updates

Chief Hickman presented on the following updates the district is working on to ensuring our schools are safe:

- **Electronic Visitor Screening System (EVSS)**
 - With this system, the plan is that once the morning bell rings, the only way to have access to the campus is through EVSS.
 - Visitor rings the buzzer, the office staff can view who wants to come in and determines if to allow them on campus or not.
 - This system will be installed in all Elementary, K-8 and Middle Schools
 - This project will take about 14-18 months to complete
 - Two pilot sites (Harte & Prisk)
 - Some sites have had this system installed, however, not in use yet.
 - Because every site is set up different, EVSS is implemented based on-site specific needs.
 - One concern that has come up is kindergarten schedules. Currently working on how the a.m./p.m. kinder schedules will work when a site has the EVSS installed.

- **Fences**
 - 28 sites will be fenced all around with various access points.
 - This project will take approximately 14-18 months to complete
 - School neighbors will not have access to the school grounds on the weekends

- **H.S. Security**
 - All High Schools have various cameras installed throughout the school.
 - School safety views these images from their location.

Chief Hickman also wanted to inform the group that they have officers on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Someone will answer calls to ext. 8101 at all times. Another safety measure that is already in place is that all schools have an intruder alarm system installed. If an alarm system is not set up by a certain time at night (usually after the custodian's shift is over), school safety will get a notification and an officer will go to the school to set it up.

Questions/Concerns

- Safety at the Admin. Building was a concern that was brought up. For example, after a board meeting all visitors have access to the inside of the building. Chief Hickman said that is a concern his department is working on.
- What is the protocol if a school employee is threatened by a parent? Officer Hickman explained that it depends on the severity of the threat. For example, if the threat is to shoot or stab an employee, school safety may take an incident report and/or decide to call law enforcement.
- Someone asked about sharing student information with law enforcement and/or detectives. Chief Hickman explained that usually law enforcement asks for the "face sheet" or student demographic screen and that has information that falls under the FERPA law. Synergy needs to be modified so that only the basic information is shown when requested by these officials. Sharing student discipline information is not allowed per FERPA. If a detective visits your site requesting this information, please have them call school safety (562 997-8101) and a district officer can give them the information that they are allowed to share. Erin Simon, along with the district attorney, is working on changing the student demographic screen so that what is shown falls under FERPA regulations.

Announcements

Cindy Young spoke to the group about future ALBEM General Meetings. She wanted to get an idea of what ALBEM members would like to see in future general meetings. We will gladly take suggestions in order to support our members.

Adjournment

Carrie ended the meeting at 5:30 p.m.