

West Islip Public Schools

SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 5, 2019

6:30 P.M.

BEACH STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL

Members present: Paul Michaluk, Kevin O'Connor, Bernadette Burns, Elisa Pellati, Anthony Bridgeman, Jack Maniscalco, Dan Marquardt, John Mullins, Andrew O'Farrell, Rhonda Pratt, James Bosse, Byron McCray, Shawn Wallace

Others present: Steve Gellar, Ron Maginniss, Craig Gielarowski

Members absent: Scott Brady, Anne Rullan, Tim Horan, Dawn Morrison, Joseph Dixon

- I. Accessibility to buildings by community groups

Strangers gained access to Paul J. Bellew after hours, a potential concern in all buildings. Increased funding for additional security staff has been added to the 2019-2020 budget to ensure coverage of all buildings for after-hour activities.
- II. Technology update
 - A. Additional cameras are being added district-wide. Additional server will allow greater recording capacity and storage. Concerns that all Main Office personnel can view front door cameras will be addressed.
 - B. Visitor management systems are to be vetted within the next few months in anticipation of security vestibule additions.
 - C. Walkie-talkies are being purchased out of this year's budget to support more effective communication within buildings and across the district.
- III. Budget considerations

All security items discussed over the last few months have been included in the 2019-2020 school budget projections.
- IV. Miscellaneous
 - A. The next edition of *Lion's Pride* will focus on security initiatives in the current and upcoming school year.
 - B. The committee discussed further safety projects, including 911 phones near AEDs throughout the district, visible badges for middle school students, strobe warning lights, and armed guards.
 - C. Mr. McCray will assume responsibility for the dissemination and maintenance of badges.