

MINUTES

MICHIGAN SCHOOL SAFETY AND MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION

July 24, 2024
10:00 a.m.

Michigan Alliance for Student Opportunity
826 Municipal Way
Lansing, Michigan

Present: Dr. Daveda J. Colbert Dr. Jennifer Taiariol
Mr. Patrick R. Green Ms. Beth Nagel
Dr. Nasuh Malas

Attending Virtually:
N/A

Excused Absence:
Dr. Alyse L. Ley
Mr. Jason Russell
Ms. Rosa Thomas
Ms. Aimee Alaniz

Others Present: Amy Wassmann (on behalf of Aimee Alaniz)

Staff Present: Tiesha Hakim

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Dr. Daveda Colbert, Commission Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Five voting members were present; therefore, there was no quorum. The meeting proceeded without any action.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF PRIORITY

No quorum, no action.

III. COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Colbert asked that the Commission members introduce themselves and the sector they were nominated to represent. Each Commissioner present introduced themselves and stated which sector they were representing.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. *School Safety Academy Update*

Kimberly Root, Section Manager, Michigan State Police Grant and Community Services Division, Office of School Safety, and Beth Beattie, Department Analyst provided an update to the Commission on the Michigan School Safety Academy in response to questions from the April 2024 presentation. The update included a breakdown of academy attendees and an expense report encumbered to date. Ideas for the 2025 School Safety Summer Academy were shared, and planning will begin in October 2024.

Commissioners shared their appreciation for the work that went into the School Safety Academy. Commissioner Green suggested that a member of the Commission sit on the training advisory board. Commissioner Malas suggested that the delivery of content be explored to include more participant engagement.

2. *Commission Website*

The School Safety and Mental Health Commission website went live on May 15, 2024. Commissioners who provided quotes for the press release were thanked. Commissioner Taiariol was thanked for her work reviewing and tagging resources. Positive feedback has been received from throughout the state regarding the site's resources.

Commissioners asked for data on the website traffic. A report will be presented to Commissioners during the October 2024 meeting.

3. *Suicide Commission Summit*

Suicide Commission Chair, Dr. Bell, shared registration information for the Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission Summit scheduled for Tuesday, August 6, 2024 and Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at Lansing Center. The registration link was shared with Commissioners.

Commissioner Malas shared that he is attending and presenting during the summit.

4. *Commission Business Update*

A financial summary as of June 30, 2024 was shared with Commissioners. Approximately \$2 million dollars from 2022-23 revenue was moved from Michigan Department of Education to Michigan State Police Office of School Safety for the School Safety Academy. After expenses, \$1.6 million from 2023-24 revenue is available at Wayne RESA. It was noted that revenue from July and August state aid payments were not captured in the update.

It was also shared that no funds were allocated in the 2024-25 budget for the School Safety and Mental Health Commission. Commissioners agreed to review the budget during the October meeting.

There was discussion about the status of the Commission and expiring terms. Expiring terms were confirmed for Patrick Green (October 1, 2024), Jason Russell (October 1, 2024), and Rosa Thomas (October 1, 2024). More information will be shared on how expiring terms will be handled as the information is confirmed. This will be an agenda item for the October 2024 meeting.

5. *Commission Goals for 2024-2025*

This discussion was tabled for the October 2024 meeting. Commissioner Malas requested that the 2024-2025 goals align with the Commission's purpose statement.

6. *Communications*

A press release from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) observing the second anniversary of the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline was shared with Commissioners.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2024

No quorum, no action.

Approval of Commission minutes from the April 24, 2024 and notes from July 24, 2024 meetings will be included on the next meeting agenda.

VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Nagel shared two programs on behalf of the Behavioral Health Taskforce: Loan Repayment and Accelerated Programs. The focus of the loan repayment is for students to get training. The accelerated programs for BSW to MSW and the master's in social work internship include stipends.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one requested the opportunity to provide public comment.

VIII. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Future meeting dates of the School Safety and Mental Health Commission were shared.

- Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

IX. FUTURE MEETING LOCATION

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X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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