

SCHOOL DISTRICT #81
SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, September 25, 2025
3:45 p.m.

In Attendance:

L. Woodworth	K. Martin, BCGEU
D. Osmond, Administration	C. Forsyth, FNSS
C. Yeager-Lobb, GWC	C. Croin, RLA (3:52 pm)

Absent: D. Low, D. Thompson, G. Gough, P. Anderson

Call to Order

Lori called the meeting to order at 3:46 pm.

1. Acceptance of Agenda Candice/Kathy
2. Minutes to Adopt from May 28, 2025 Candice/Kathy
3. Business Arising
 - a) Work Alone Procedure – The committee requested that Pansy draft a letter to the Superintendent
 - b) Bullying and Harassment Form – This form is currently with the Superintendent. Once finalized, it will be returned to the JOHS Committee for further review, adoption and distribution.
4. New Business
 - a) Work Safe Reports – 4
 - b) Threat and Violence Report – 0
 - c) Unsafe or Harmful Conditions – 0
 - d) Site Inspections – 0
 - e) Safety Work Orders – 0
 - f) Other
 - (i) 2025-2026 Proposed Meeting Dates – October 22 is a Wednesday; the correct meeting date will be Thursday, October 23.
 - (ii) Bullying and Harassment Form - This form is currently with the Superintendent. Once finalized, it will be returned to the JOHS Committee for further review and adoption.
5. Information Items/Reports
 - FNSS – Nothing to report
 - GWC – There have been reports of bears in the area. Should staff be equipped with bear spray, rather than just a whistle?
 - RLA – Nothing to report

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- JSC – On Sept 15, a PA contacted WorkSafe about a wheelchair without brakes. This chair was on loan from Rob (one of his basketball chairs). The student has balance and mobility issues, making him prone to falling and having difficulty getting up independently. The principal thought the wheelchair would allow him to get around the school until a more suitable solution could be arranged. Following discussions with the student's mother, SD81, and the principal, a lift was ordered, and the mother obtained a different wheelchair equipped with brakes. A new safety plan is now being developed to support the student's use of the new equipment.
- Toad River – No representative present
- BCGEU –
- FNDDTA – She attended the summer conference; there is still work to be done. There were also discussions on violence in the workplace.
- Director of Facilities – No representative present
- SBO – No representative present

6. Next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2025

7. Adjournment at 4:28 pm.