



**Dover School  
District**

## SECURITY REVIEW COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Security Review Committee**  
Meeting Location: **Room 305, McConnell Center**  
Meeting Date: **September 24, 2014**  
Meeting Time: **4:00 PM**

A District Security Review Committee meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 in Room 305 of the McConnell Center.

### **A. INTRODUCTIONS:**

Those members present were Kim Lyndes, Deanna Strand, Mike McKenney, Elaine Arbour, Cathy Faure, Karen Taylor, Patrick Boodey, Peter Driscoll, Julie Schwartz, Brant Dolleman, Randy Provencher, Lisa Dillingham, Joe Flockerzi, and Joan Breault.

### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Lisa Dillingham moved, Mike McKenney seconded to approve minutes from March 20, 2014 meeting. An oral **VOTE PASSED** unanimously.

### **C. SELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON**

Peter Driscoll moved, Julie Schwartz seconded to nominate Kim Lyndes and Beth Dunton as co-chairs of this committee. An oral **VOTE PASSED** unanimously.

### **D. PRESENTATION BY MIKE SIELICKI-COPYSYNC911**

Retired Kensington Police Chief Mike Sielicki and Brandon Flanagan, both of Copsync911 presented information on the program which is designed for fast response to crisis situations. Homeland Security has will fund this program with state funding of a 50% soft match. The program is designed to help law enforcement and is a real time threat alert notification system.

The presentation included facts including 75 school shootings since Sandy Hook. They added that the best way to reduce loss of life is through reduction of response time. A typical response time for 911 calls to alert law enforcement is 2-3 minutes. Copsync911 has a 4 second response time.

The system also meets FBI standards for encryption. It is not a mass notification system and is primarily used for law enforcement purposes.

The internet based system can be used in cruisers and dispatch so that alerts are not missed. There is a 911 icon in the shape of a shield that is located on the bottom, right hand corner of a computer and it will appear on cell phones, tablets and computer. By clicking on the icon, the alert is activated. There is a 15 second window of time, where the alert can be canceled if made in error.

The system will know which officers respond to the alert and can communicate without worrying about radio frequency. There is also a mapping location in order to assist officers responding from out of town. Any other documents, including maps, can be installed, depending on the needs of the district and city.

Also included in the system is a Crisis Communication Portal. This will silently notify all areas of the school in case of a crisis.

The system can be modified to fit the needs of the schools and can be used to show a potential threat or for domestic situations.



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Copsync911 will train users in their software and prefers a "Train the Trainer" model. Information that is important to provide for the system is "how to use it, when to use it, what to expect, and what to put in". Training would generally take approximately 1 hour.

If the shield icon is clicked in error, law enforcement will respond anyway and schools should still follow protocol. The system should be tested quarterly.

Currently towns including Londonderry, Lincoln and Stratham are using the system. There are 50 schools awaiting grant approval.

Grants that are more than \$5,000 need to go to the Governor's Council for approval.

There is \$550,000 set aside this year for grant funding and \$350,000 for each of the next two years.

This system has been real-life tested in Londonderry and was tested in a live situation in Texas with a successful outcome.

It is used at currently or in the near future in Massachusetts, Virginia, West Virginia, Maine, Vermont and North Carolina.

The cost of the program is \$1800 per school for the first year and drops to \$1200 per school for each year after. There is no limit to the number of devices with this cost.

For law enforcement, the cost is \$120 per cruiser and \$120 for dispatch. There are upgrades every 60 days. Possible upgrades include allowing a snapshot to see if false alarm, use for medical emergencies, and integrating a video to live stream and see inside school. This system is seen as an alternative to panic buttons.

Copsync911 is currently negotiating with 3 colleges for this system. This system prime focus is for schools, law enforcement and fire. Commercial businesses are not the focus.

After the presentation, the committee discussed the software and if it would be valuable to Dover.

Lt. Dolleman stated that he would inform Chief Colarusso of the software and explain the benefits. He commented that he is impressed with the system and that it wouldn't replace phone communication, but would augment the system in place. He added that some parts of it may be difficult to use during a crisis situation when officers and teachers are not near computers. Lt Dolleman stated that it is worth discussing just for the 4 second contact time.

Principal Patrick Boodey noted that this system may be difficult to pass up since it costs less than .50 per student.

Dr. Arbour stated that she would contact the company to determine the cost of the program after the grant funding expires. After she has more information, she will contact Chiefs Driscoll and Colarusso to set up a meeting to discuss the proposal and software



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### **E. QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

Lt. Dolleman offered threat assessment training to principals if they feel it is necessary or would be helpful. Dr. Arbour will discuss with administrators at an admin meeting.

Central Office emergency protocol was also discussed and Dr. Arbour will be contacting Lt. Dolleman to schedule training and recommendations. School Board emergency protocol should also be addressed and will be included in the conversation.

There will be a Table Top exercise at the North End Fire Station for administrators on Tuesday, November 18 from 9-1 pm.

**F. ADJOURNMENT:** Mike McKenney moved, Cathy Faure seconded to adjourn the Security Review Meeting at 5:35 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.