



SCHOOL SAFETY MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 2007

IN ATTENDANCE: Charles Pomaro- AP Health and Safety, Dan Baldwin-Chapter Leader, Level III-Barbara Cora, P. Witte-Dean

The School Safety Committee meeting was convened on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 11:25 A.M. in room 1W26. Mr. Pomaro began the meeting by welcoming everyone and then directed attention to the first item on the agenda.

FIRE DRILL: The last fire drill took eight minutes to evacuate the building. Some of the issues that still exist are with the cafeteria. The southwest exit is taking too long to evacuate due to the cafeteria. There also needs to be more supervision of students from the cafeteria. Mr. Pomaro would like to sit down with Dean Givens to discuss some of the fire drill issues.

Mr. Pomaro will also be using the Guidance Counselors during fire drills to help with the students' evacuation and re-entering the building.

The majority of the students on the Westside of the building are using the two center staircases. The evacuation time has been between six to eight minutes which is a good time.

GRAFFITI TASK FORCE: There were three more students that were arrested for graffiti.

ELEVATORS: Mr. Pomaro met with Centennial Elevators, custodian and DOE facilities to put together a proposal for the elevators to run from the first floor straight up to the seventh floor. Once the proposal is accepted we should have a time frame of when the elevators will be programmed. The Students feel maybe they could have trial periods to use the elevators again.

PARKS DEPARTMENT: Mr. Pomaro would like to get in touch with the Commissioner of the Parks Department and have him/her attend the school safety meetings. Mr. Pomaro will request that the park police are present during time of dismissal. There was an incident where a couple of adults jumped some students in the park and robbed them.

MAJOR TRIPS: There are three major student trips coming up.:

11/30/07-12/2/07 (Pine Grove Ranch)

There will be the senior trip in February (2/8/08-2/10/08 - Hudson Valley Resorts)

Room BW9 will be used to check the luggage for drugs and/or alcohol and to store the luggage. Mr. Williams asked if they could have assistance with checking the bags since it is a lengthy and tiring process. Currently they have two to three people checking bags and it takes them up to 7th period to finish.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

-12/12/08: Blood Drive in Auditorium from 1:30 P.M to 4:30 P.M.

-12/14/07: Dance in 8th floor gym.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 A.M.