

Safe School Reopening Task Force  
Safety & Operations Committee

Jun 2, 2020 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

**Attendees:** Mark Anderson, Gwen Harris, Jennifer Keck, Shawn Jordan, Matt Truitt, John O'Dell, Marybeth Smith, Salliejo Evers, Becky Doughty, Sabre Dahl, Andee Atwood, Garrett Berdan, Lisa White, Phil Wright, Daniel Robertson, Brad Cass, Walter Long, Selina Gieger, Amber Juliano

Dr. Anderson asked committee members to introduce themselves and state their position and representation.

Dr. Anderson then shared a presentation outlining the task of this group – “To study and develop Safety and Operations recommendation to safely reopen schools in the Fall.” He noted that OSPI requires the School Board to adopt a resolution to implement a plan two weeks before school can begin, therefore, committees will need to have plans prepared to present to the School Board by mid-August to start school on September 3.

The following small task groups were identified to further study issues brought up in each task area:

- **Health and safety requirements:** to be led by **Becky Doughty** and include Salliejo Evers, Matt Truitt, John O'Dell and Phil Wright.
  - Comments and concerns mentioned were: who will be required to wear masks and what type; will it be required to monitor everyone's temperatures; how to accomplish social distancing; developing a protocol for health monitoring and Covid-19 reporting required, including a clear response plan and check-list for custodial staff. Becky stated she will keep the group informed of the SRHD recommendations and follow that protocol.
- **Limits on number of students** in a classroom at one time and its impact on classroom set-up and space issues: Task group to be led by **Phil Wright** and include Marybeth Smith, Matt Truitt, Garrett Berdan, Lisa White, Walter Long, Salliejo Evers and John Vansant. Phil Wright will also be involved in discussions with The Fire Department related to fire codes and safety.
  - Comments and concerns mentioned were: Elementary classroom space needs related to coats, backpacks, instruments and possible overflow into hallways and issues with fire codes and safety; lunchroom set-up -suggest doing mock-up to test; Alternate student schedule; shuffle grade levels to other sights to better utilized spaces-study spaces available and usage; remove excess furniture to allow more students – furniture storage; protocol for safe passing periods; lockers in close proximity.
- **Options for alternating student schedules/school year** to meet social distancing requirements (this will be more fully addressed by another committee). Dr. Anderson noted other subcommittees of the Safe School Reopening Task Force would need to work on this item with input from the Safety & Operations committee. He also acknowledged there needs to be community conversation related to childcare if

alternating schedules are adopted. Lisa White agreed to be involved and include her resources in this discussion.

- **Student transportation** as Impacted by social distancing: To be led by **Salliejo Evers** and involve Durham transportation. Salliejo said they'll only be able to seat 50% of students they did previously. Need information on alternating schedules to plan further.
- **Personal Protective equipment** and supplies required for staff and students (face shields, face masks, clear transaction windows, etc.) To be led by **Becky Doughty** and include Phil Wright and Alex Navarrete. Comments and concerns mentioned were: locations for health shields/barriers; concerns about masks and being able to integrate all students and accommodate the many students who require lip reading; the difficulty of breathing thru masks when teachers talk for long periods of time.
- **Cleaning and disinfecting protocols and supplies** for classrooms, offices, and high touch areas. To be led by **Alex Navarrete** and include Phil Wright, Amber Juliano, Daniel Robertson, and Brad Cass. Comments and concerns mentioned were: individual spaces to store personal belongings; no sharing of supplies; protocol for restroom usage; disinfecting all rooms, lab equipment, elementary manipulatives; who disinfects and when/how; availability of frequent handwashing for all grades; use of drinking fountains; adequate custodial staff; OSPI required training for all staff (Sabre, Becky and Salliejo).
- **Accommodations for staff at high risk:** To be led by **Sabre Dahl** and include Becky Doughty and Lisa White. Comments and concerns mentioned were: possibly assigned to on-line learning; anticipating problems with irritation due to the many cleaning supplies and frequency.
- **Training for Staff as required by OSPI:** Led by **Sabre Dahl** and include Becky Doughty, and Salliejo Evers.

Dr. Anderson requested these teams meet, if possible, before the next meeting on June 17 and report initial ideas, suggestions, and findings. He also requested this team meet on Wednesdays at 1pm on a regular basis until completion of recommendation. All agreed.

Dr. Anderson concluded meeting at 2pm