

# MINUTES

## *Lincoln Safe & Successful Kids Interlocal Board*

City Council Chambers – City/County Building first floor – 555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Thursday, November 16, 2021 ~ 6:30 p.m.

### **Board Members Present:**

Kathy Danek                      Connie Duncan                      Don Mayhew                      Bennie Shobe

### **Board Members Absent:**

Richard Meginnis                      Leirion Gaylor Baird

### **Staff Members Present:**

Luke Bonkiewicz, LPD	Nola Derby-Bennet, LPS CLC Director
Leslie Eastman, LPS	Lynn Johnson, LPR Director
John Neal, LPS Asst. to Superintendent	Dan Payzant, LPR Rec. Coordinator
Denise Pearce, LPR Spec. Projects Adm.	Jason Stille, LPD
Angela Quinn, Secretary	

**Call to Order & Recognition of ‘Open Meetings Act’:** As per law, Chairperson Shobe announced that the Board follows the regulations of the Open Meetings Act and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll was called by Angela Quinn, Secretary.

Per the SSK Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Rules of Governance, a quorum in order to take action on matters before the Board will consist of two of the three LPS members of the Board and two of the three City members of the Board. Secretary Quinn declared that a quorum for this meeting was not met and that no action or transaction of business could transpire.

**Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items:** No one from the public requested to speak with the Board regarding any items not listed on the agenda.

**Annual Report on School Resource Officers:** Luke Bonkiewicz, from Lincoln Police Department, and Leslie Eastman, ESU 18 Assessment and Evaluation Team, provided a full report and data regarding the SRO program with Lincoln Public Schools. It was noted and reiterated throughout the presentation that due to the COVID-19 related disruption in the school year statistically valid comparisons could not be made with previous years. Key information was still identified and reported to the Board, including noted disparities, complaints and commendations, presentations and SRO training, and lodges or referrals to Youth Services Center. SRO calls for service are made by administrator and teachers/staff the vast majority of the time. It was additionally reported that surveys had been conducted in 2021 with responses from students and parent/guardians both rating SRO’s as fairly positive. Biggest issues according to students and similarly with parents were fairness of rules, consistency across teachers, and adult responses to bullying. Results from certified staff surveys were also similar. Disciplinary data was also reviewed with Board members.

A copy of the full 157-page School Resource Officer Program and School Perception and Discipline Data Reports as well as the summary PowerPoint presentation are attached to the official minutes on record.

Vice-Chairperson Danek asked if there was anyone from the public that wished to speak on the Annual Report. No individuals came forward.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at the conclusion of the presentation. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the SSKIB will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022, at the City/County Building in the City Council Chambers.