



AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DETAILS

Date: April 28, 2026

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: IN Government Center South, Conference Room C

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MEMBER INFO

Member Name	Position	Appt. Auth.	Term Start	Term End
Eric Bowlen	Local School Corp.	Governor		
Julie Smith	OSS Director	NA	NA	NA
Jordan Hoffman	AG's Designee	NA	NA	NA
Douglas Huntsinger	ED of ICJI	NA	NA	NA
Brooke Huntington	Education Designee	NA	NA	NA
Matt Bilkey	State Police Designee	NA	NA	NA
Ben Hunter	Law Enforcement	Governor	10/02/2025	
Andy Snyder	Fire Chief	Governor	10/02/2025	
Jason Shonkwiler	SRO	Governor	10/02/2025	

1. Call to Order – Chairperson Smith
 - Call to Order at 1:00pm. Chairperson Smith called the April 28, 2026, meeting of the Secured School Safety Board to order.
2. Roll Call and Quorum Determination – Rusty Goodpaster
 - A roll call was conducted to determine member attendance. The results are included below.

Name	Present		Means of Participation
	Yes	No	
Julie Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Matt Bilkey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Eric Bowlen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Jordan Hoffman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Brooke Huntington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Douglas Huntsinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Ben Hunter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Andy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Jason Shonkwiler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person

3. Review of October Minutes – Chairperson Smith

Name	Vote		Notes
	Yes	No	
Julie Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Matt Bilkey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Eric Bowlen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Jordan Hoffman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Brooke Huntington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Douglas Huntsinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ben Hunter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Andy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jason Shonkwiler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- **Motion:** To approve October 21, 2025, meeting minutes.
- **Motion is approved.**

4. Status of the Office of School Safety – Chairperson Smith

- Inaugural School Safety Summit on Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management
 - Threat assessment teams become legislatively required July 1.
 - This was accomplished in January with the summit.
 - Summit was a success with nearly 1,000 in attendance.

- Basic School Safety Specialist Academy
 - Class successfully took place in February.
 - Second class will take place in October 2026.
 - Going forward classes will take place in the fall of each year.

5. Legislative update – Karlee Hideman

1. House Enrolled Act 1004
 - Schools may now use grant funds to install audio-visual monitoring in areas used for students' timeout.
 - The focus being on special-needs classrooms.
2. House Enrolled Act 1343
 - The imitation firearm ban on school grounds.
 - Created a Class B misdemeanor for knowingly bringing an imitation firearm on a school property, which includes school buses.
2. Senate Enrolled Act 78
 - Effective July 1, 2026, schools are now required to ban cell phones and other devices from being used during the school day.
 - There are very limited exceptions with this ban, including IEPs or medical conditions.

6. Discussion on School Resource Office Survey mandated reporting – Chairperson Smith

- Reporting gives a better idea of the number of SROs and holds us fiscally responsible.
- Schools must complete the survey or they become ineligible for funds.
- This will be required starting at the end of the 2027-2028 grant cycle to allow for schools to become compliant.

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	Yes	No	
Julie Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Matt Bilkey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Eric Bowlen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jordan Hoffman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Brooke Huntington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Douglas Huntsinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ben Hunter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Andy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jason Shonkwiler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- **Motion:** To approve mandated reporting.
- **Motion is approved.**

7. Discussion on Charter Schools with same FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number) being eligible for just one application – Chairperson Smith

- Some charter school groups have submitted multiple applications and collectively received more than \$100,000 in a single cycle.
- Limiting charter schools to a single application per grant cycle would eliminate potential inequity in funding.

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	Yes	No	
Julie Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Matt Bilkey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Eric Bowlen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jordan Hoffman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Brooke Huntington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Douglas Huntsinger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ben Hunter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Andy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jason Shonkwiler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- **Motion:** To approve limiting charter schools to a single application per grant cycle.
- **Motion is approved.**

8. Comments and Closing Remarks – Chairperson Smith

9. Adjournment – Chairperson Smith

Name	Vote		Notes
	Yes	No	
Julie Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Matt Bilkey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
Eric Bowlen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jordan Hoffman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Brooke Huntington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA
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Andy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jason Shonkwiler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- **Motion:** To adjourn the meeting.
- Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 1:15pm