

## Enloe PTSA Safety Committee Report

Monday March 23, 2009

6PM at Enloe

The Enloe Safety Committee met as subcommittees on Monday March 23, 2009 at Enloe High School. The following is an update from the meeting.

The **Communications** group is working to increase the subscribers to PTSA's eNews. eNews is a weekly email newsletter that shares news, upcoming events and provides links to helpful websites. A short blurb was sent to Enloe's Band Boosters, Athletic Boosters, Arts Guild and MSEN Club for distribution to their membership. The hope is to generate additional subscribers by reaching out to these groups. Lorraine Johnson will contact PTA Presidents of middle schools that feed into Enloe High. She will share the eNews subscription info with them so they can distribute to their rising ninth grade population.

The PTSA section of the Enloe web site has been updated to make the eNews subscription information more prominent. The "mailing list" tab has been changed to eNews.

The subcommittee will continue to look for ways to increase the number of eNews subscribers. Some ideas are adding the info to various meeting agendas and permitting families to subscribe when completing the PTSA membership form. A blurb will be prepared and added to the agenda for the Open House for Newcomers which is scheduled for Monday May 11, 2009.

The attendees discussed the "green" or electronic copy of the PTSA's quarterly, EagleVision newsletter. It was decided to keep the distribution of the EagleVision separate from eNews since different information needs to be collected for these two electronic communications. As PTSA President next year, Lorraine Johnson will look for someone to handle the green newsletter distribution. In addition, she will look for an additional person to help with eNews.

There was some discussion of archiving eNews information on a monthly basis. The archived info could be posted at on the PTSA section of the Enloe web site similar to the PTSA meeting minutes and EagleVision newsletters.

**Community Connections** subcommittee is preparing for their Celebrate Community, Enloe Style event. This event which is being planned by the PTSA Safety Committee with support from the Urban Arts Club at Enloe is scheduled for Thursday April 23, 2009. The event will be held in the school's football stadium from 5-7 PM, rain or shine. The flyer is nearly complete. It will be posted through out the school, sent to the school staff electronically and distributed to parent booster organizations. Student clubs will be invited to prepare a display and parent booster organizations (Band Boosters, Athletic Boosters and Arts Guild) will be encouraged to sell food. Groups interested in participating should email [enloestyle@gmail.com](mailto:enloestyle@gmail.com)

Speakers for the event have been invited and their RSVP has been requested by March 27<sup>th</sup>. Various local dignitaries will be invited to attend. Mr. Brent Miller will help coordinate the stage/sound system setup. The Urban Arts Club is arranging for instrumental groups to provide entertainment. Dr. Cochran will contact Mrs. Huff regarding a possible choral soloist or group performing. The proposed agenda includes entertainment and visiting of booths from 5-6 PM with event speakers beginning at 6 PM. There is ongoing discussion about a candle light ceremony at the end of the evening.

Lorraine Johnson will contact the PTSA regarding handling expenses of police security personnel and postage for dignitary invites.

Members of the Community Connections group attended the most recent East Raleigh CAC meeting. It was noted that there was a drop in Type 1 crimes around Enloe in the past month. It was also mentioned that speeding cars and buses around Enloe continue to be an issue.

The Raleigh Police Department Strategic Planning meeting at the Girls Club was attended by Safety Committee members, but a total of only 5 people were at the meeting. Attendees encourage Enloe families to complete the online survey that is open until March 31<sup>st</sup>. The survey can be accessed at:

[http://uncodum.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_3DxsiDnGk6Hx0nq&SVID=Prodat](http://uncodum.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_3DxsiDnGk6Hx0nq&SVID=Prodat) (or go to <http://www.raleighnc.gov/police> and click Raleigh Police Strategic Plan Citizen Survey).

The next Longview Gardens HOA meeting will be attended on April 7, 2009. Both Longview Gardens and Victoria Place neighborhoods will be invited to the Celebrate Community, Enloe Style.

**The Community Connection group will meet on Monday March 30 at 6 PM to continue to plan the Celebrate Community, Enloe Style event. All interested in helping are welcome to attend.**

The **Education** group has dates set for two upcoming trainings. A student Safety Self-Awareness class will be held on April 21 beginning at 2:30 PM in the school's media center. Students and parents will be informed via eNews and the 'Loe Down. Student attendees will be asked to sign up by contacting Lesley Owen. An additional student class may be held in May depending on interest for the first class. Staff class is on hold at this time.

Parent Patrol training is scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 PM in room 1205 at Enloe. Four parents have currently signed up for training. Additional parents are welcome to attend. Interested parents must be registered as a WCPSS Volunteer.

**Intervention/Prevention** subcommittee continues to support the Enloe Eagle Buddies mentoring program. Parent mentors have had a hard time connecting with their students since students in program have high absenteeism.

The group is looking into obtaining PCs for students through the Kramden organization in Durham/RTP. (Additional organization info can be obtained at [kramden.org](http://kramden.org)) In addition, a possible calendaring tool kit, available via Google, is being investigated. If PCs could be obtained for students, internet access would still be an issue.

Communities in Schools (CIS) is in jeopardy of losing funding. Mary Hamrick encourages anyone to email their support of the program.

Lorraine Johnson offered to include funding for recognitions in next year's PTSA budget. The recognitions might be included in the Academic Boosters budget.

The **Legislative** subcommittee did not meet.

**The Safety Committee's next meeting will be Monday April 20, 2009 at 6 PM in the 1200 hall at Enloe High School. All interested in getting involved are encouraged to attend.**