

Dear WSSCA Membership,

I would like to introduce myself, I'm Brian Koffarnus and I currently serve the Greendale School District as the Director of Buildings and Grounds for the past 16 years. I have been a member of WSSCA since 2002. I successfully completed the *WSSCA Certification* programs in 2011 and passed the *Certified School Risk Managers* course in the fall of 2011. During my first two terms on the WSSCA board of directors, I served on the Communications Committee. Our committee has been responsible for developing the updated Vision and Mission Statement, the NEW Coordinators Handbook, a NEW Sales Brochure and the Friends of WSSCA Award. It is a special honor and a privilege to begin my term as president of the Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Association.



I would like to give an enormous thank you to our outgoing president, Patrick Meyer, for guiding WSSCA over the past year. Pat has been a terrific role model and his shoes will be hard to fill. Luckily, for all of us, Pat will continue to serve as past president for an additional year. I am especially grateful that I will be able to rely on his wise counsel during my term. There are also several others to thank for all of their hard work and dedication to WSSCA. The current board members for all their time throughout the year, attending the meetings, subcommittee work and for making sure the yearly conference runs smooth. The board of advisors are just as important, they provide support to the board and WSSCA through so many different ways behind the scenes. The board couldn't do what they do without your support. Each year, WSSCA has been able to provide a great educational conference for our membership. One of the main reasons WSSCA can do this is because we have so many corporate sponsors and vendors supporting the effort of the board. All great organizations need people to keep everything running smoothly. WSSCA is fortunate to have Ed Dorff as Executive Director and Stacy Washington as IT Director to make sure everything comes to together. Again, thank you to everyone for your dedication and continue support of WSSCA and all that you do in keeping schools safe for everyone.

I am looking forward to working with everyone as I start my term as president and as we continue working on all of the board's initiatives. We will continue to research and develop additional revenue streams for WSSCA to keep the organization financially sound. As well as develop and deliver online professional development to reach more members and to minimize travel and cost. I would also like to support WSSCA having a role in addressing children's mental health issues. The board will also begin planning for a mile stone this year as we will be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> annual conference and expo. We hope to make this year a memorable and educational one.

If you have an idea or suggestion always feel free to send me a note.

Brian Koffarnus

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Koffarnus".

2017 WSSCA President

