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| Call to Order Online | Committee | Date of Meeting |
| 10:021 am by Dr. Eboni Calbow | School Safety and Security | February 9, 2023 |
| Adjournment | Recorder | Date of Next Meeting |
| 10:36 am | Caris Volentine and Dr. Autumn Leal | June 15, 2023 |

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| Not Attendance | Sherry Field | Starla Simmons | | | |
| | Melissa Chavez | Laura Davis | | | |
| | Scott Gray | Shanika Ingram | | | |
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| TOPIC | DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS/CONCLUSIONS | ACTION & OUTCOMES |
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| Announcements/Quick Items | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was brought to order by Dr. Calbow at 10:02 am; Meeting recorded on Zoom. Introductions No special guests are present today | |
| TODAY'S ITEMS | DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS/CONCLUSIONS | ACTION & OUTCOMES |
| Citizen Comments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shanika Ingram who is a parent at UT Elementary and is also a district employee submitted citizen comments. Mrs. Ingram inquired if parking passes are required at UT Elementary. Parking passes are required. Mrs. Ingram inquired about who will be responsible for monitoring the parking permits at UT Elementary. Caris Volentine will monitor compliance with the parking passes at UT Elementary. Mrs. Ingram inquired about cameras being installed in the front office at UT Elementary. The proposal to install cameras in the interior of the main school office at UT Elementary was discussed. The plan is to move forward with the installation when funding is available for this project. Mrs. Ingram submitted a comment that parents at UTES are dropping off their children prior to 7:15am and that children are being left unattended. Lily Dominguez the campus principal at UTES noted that she is aware of this issue and that multiple efforts have been made to address this including ongoing parent communications (Class Dojo messages, newsletters, emails). Mrs. Dominguez noted that this information has been reiterated with parents. Dr. Nicole Whetstone (Superintendent) stated that it will be determined if this is just | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs. Volentine will monitor compliance with parking permits at UTES. Install cameras in front office when funding is available for this project. Monitor cameras at UTES prior to 7:15am to determine which parents are dropping off their children and leaving them unsupervised outside on Hidalgo Street. |



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| | <p>a few isolated families or a larger problem. The camera system will be used to determine if which parents are leaving their children and a follow-up will be made by campus principal. Dr. Whetstone also noted that this problem is not uncommon and from her experience is also seen at other elementary schools.</p> | |
| <p>Action Items for Consideration by Consent</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathleen Daniels motioned to approve minutes from October 6, 2022. Dr. Kal Kallison seconded the motion for a vote. The motion passed. There were no nays or abstains. | |
| <p>Reports and Discussion Items</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caris Vollentine gave an update on State of the District with regard to total COVID case numbers. There has been a significant drop in total cases among students and staff. There has been many cases of flu within the district. • Caris Vollentine updated the committee on the status of ongoing weekly door audits across the charter system. All school campuses are complying with the weekly audits and keeping the doors locked and in good operating condition. Any door issues such as mechanical issues are being immediately reported to UT Facilities for issues with UTES doors. • The exterior door data (by week) was reviewed by Caris Vollentine for UTES. Overall, there have only been a few door problems and these are addressed with UT repairs. • Dr. Autumn Leal reviewed door audit data from Methodist Children’s Home, Helping Hand Home, Munday, and Clearfork Academy. All of these campuses have been 100% on door audits over the past 11 weeks. All other campuses are also fully complying with the weekly door audit check procedures. There are no concerns with any doors at this time across the multiple campuses in the district. • The UT Logistics and Key Department completed an “exterior perimeter security audit” at UTES on 10/18/22 and the audit was fully compliant resulting in a highly secure campus. All exterior gates were secure and all classrooms had proper door hardware. The exterior access points at UTES have good camera placement. • The UTES campus received an unannounced “intruder detection audit” on 12/1/22 by a representative of the Region 13 Educational Service Center. The audit was fully compliant (100%). The intruder was unable to get into the campus. • The High Point campus received an unannounced “intruder detection audit” on 12/2/22 by a representative of the Region 13 Educational Service Center. The audit was fully compliant (100%). The intruder was unable to get into the campus. • The charter school system has begun utilizing “Nixle” for all emergency alerts to staff and parents. Thus far, the alert system appears highly efficient and effective. It was widely used to communicate regarding the recent Winter Storm. | |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety updates were shared across the district campuses including Helping Hand Home, Methodist Children’s Home, and UT Elementary. • Thelma Herrera inquired about the front gate project at UTES. The front gate has an alarm set which will trigger after being left ajar for 90 seconds. The 90 seconds duration is consistent with ADA requirements. • Kathleen Daniels provided a comprehensive update on the Total Behavioral Threat Assessments which have been completed across the district. There have been 7 total behavioral threats thus far this school year among the charter school system. Each case receives a case management plan and parents are kept highly informed in all cases. • The newly proposed safety rules were discussed (19 TAC Chapter 61). Texas Education Agency has clarified that the new rules do not apply to schools owned and operated by universities (UT Elementary). TEA also clarified that the new proposed rules do not apply to schools located at hospitals, medical facilities, etc. Additionally, TEA has clarified that the charter school system is ineligible for the School Safety Grant because the proposed rules do not apply. • Dr. Calbow reminded the committee that the next meeting is June 15, 2023 and this will be a hybrid meeting (in person and zoom). | |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Adjournment</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Adjourned at 10:36 am. | |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting Recording</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A recording of the meeting is available at the following link: https://utexas.zoom.us/rec/share/qYcnWQcPIHeXdq6XOQeAeJpAFAIEbh0W6GC8DI/VaZco7klORbc8alTub3lyF8zvq.I3ylCbs5OFTZmOen | |

