



The University of Texas at Tyler  
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**UT Tyler University Academy Safety and Security Committee Meeting Agenda and Notice**

Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 10:30 am

Ornelas Activity Center

3402 Old Omen Rd

Tyler, TX 75707

**ATTENDING**

Voting Members:

Alan Buckland

Tamara Childers

Robert Cromley

Aimee Dennis

Kelly Dyer

Amber Greene

Rachel Hawkins

Jeffry Kennemer

Eric Semlear

Jo Ann Simmons

Bradley Standerfer

Non-voting Members:

Shelly Parsons

Amanda Kaiser

**OPENING**

The School Safety and Security Meeting was called to order at 10:41 am by Aimee Dennis on November 9, 2023.

**Call to Order**

- a. Aimee Dennis confirmed a Quorum.

**Pledge**

- b. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was said, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Open for Public Comment**

- c. Aimee Dennis confirmed there were no requests related to public comment for the meeting.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Consent Agenda**

- d. A motion to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2023, meeting was made by Jeffry Kennemer and seconded by Alan Buckland. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### **Executive Session**

- e. At 10:44 am Aimee Dennis announced that the committee would go into Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.075 to discuss the summary of findings from the intruder detection audit and the weekly inspection data.
- f. The executive session ended at 11:20 am, and the regular meeting resumed.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### **Threat Assessment Data Review**

- a) Tyler- Kelly Dyer reported 3 team members, and all are trained.
  - i) They had 4 reports submitted; 2 were imminent, and 2 were non-imminent
  - ii) 2 non-imminent needed no action
  - iii) 2 imminent: 1 resulted in an action plan and student removal, the other was self harm, and has a safety plan
- b) Palestine- Shelly Parsons reported 6 members and all are trained.
  - i) They had 2 reports: both were self harm.
  - ii) 1 non-imminent and needed no case management plan and
  - iii) 1 was imminent but already had case management plan
- c) Longview– Rachel Hawkins reported 5 team members and 4 are trained.
  - 1) They had 2 reports- both for self harm.
  - 2) Both were non-imminent and already have a case management plan

#### **Longview Mock-Evacuation**

1. Aimee Dennis reported that Longview campus held a mock alternate location evacuation, involving Longview police and fire departments. While the drill went very well, there were areas identified to adjust for improvements. One area was bussing from our campus to the alternate location. We only have one bus; perhaps we can reach out to the local ISD to borrow a bus in the event of an evacuation emergency.
2. These evacuation drills will be set up at each campus in the future.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Jeffry Kennemer made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Eric Semlear. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting ended at 11:26 am.