

# Hunter High Community Council Meeting Minutes

Jan 17, 2023

Hunter High School Media Center

Meeting called to order at 4:35pm by Maria Garcia

## Attendance

Faculty members: Roxanne Ohran, Andrew Schafer, Lissa Woolf, Ryan Oaks,  
Parent Members: Maria Garcia, Julianne Hamblin, Craig Petersen, Esther Olschewski,  
Cliff Chase, Brenda Shamo, Chrissy Breeze, and Christie Rasmussen.

Others in Attendance: Roger Brooks, Ben Horsley, Deborah Gatrell & School Board member Kris Nguyen

Current LAND trust balance: \$41,452.35

Minutes from December 19, 2022 were approved unanimously.

## New Business

Ben Horsley, Roger Brooks, and Ryan Oaks shared a presentation on a Comprehensive Safety plan that Hunter High School will be implementing.

Ryan Oaks: Hunter High School was asked to pilot a program that will improve safety in the building. Granite School District had a safety analysis in October of 2022. In this analysis they noticed unsecured doors, lack of a central door control, limited personnel, and potential threats such as trespassers and student weapons. The solution is a layered approach with the use of Technology. Technology will assist with door sensors and alarms, central control locations, camera upgrades, and an emergency communications app/system. Protocols will be limited to two entry points for all students and visitors. Employees will still be able to enter the building using their keycard. Looking at possibly being able to lock doors more securely—inside and out. Training with the system and communicating to all stakeholders is a priority during this pilot program. Hunter High will also look to help with any emotional and behavioral needs for students and staff. We will also have a weapons detection dog from the school district that can also roam parking lots and detect weapons. The dog (Bolt is his name) can detect firearms.

Roger Brooks (Emergency Manager for GSD): Some of the layers of school security include Physical security with equipment and technology, school security personnel, security policies and procedures, site and building design, training, exercises, and drills. The name of the main system that Hunter will be piloting is called Evolv. Evolv allows for a better flow of traffic than traditional metal detectors. It looks and feels more like

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walking through scanners at the library or grocery store. It has different sensitivity levels and can pinpoint where a weapon may be. It detects metal and combines powerful sensor technology with artificial intelligence (AI) and security ecosystem integrations. Using this technology is looking for size, shape, and density of the metal it finds making this a weapons detection system to detect only items that might be a threat. You should be fine walking through it with your keys, phone, belt, and other items.

Ben Horsley: Timeline for this pilot program are as follows: January 12 we had a staff presentation. Today (January 17th) it is being presented to the School Community Council. January 19th it will be presented in a Parent Night/Community meeting. February 8-9 it will be presented during Parent Teacher Conferences. February 17th during a student non-attendance day the equipment will be installed and additional training will take place. From February 8-9 we will have a phased rollout with the goal of fully implementing the program by the fourth quarter. The phased rollout will consist of a soft rollout, calibrating, and adjustments with feedback from students, parents, and staff.

Parent Questions/Comments:

What information is given for parent feedback in the roll out of this program? Ryan Oaks talked about the purpose of the program is to pilot it. During this school year we will be looking at feedback from parents, teachers, and students.

How will this affect the school environment and why is it going to be implemented at Hunter High instead of other schools in Granite School District? The district isn't trying to force this on any particular school. One of the main reasons we are implementing this system is because the facility of Hunter High is better able to adopt the program. The new wing on Hunter High has the ability to easily support the equipment and control points are a bit easier to monitor in this school. The district looked into all high schools before making a decision on where to pilot this program. Another part of the reason Hunter was chosen is because of the shooting that happened off campus. This system should help with maintaining better safety controls. The goal of this system is to help keep children and teachers safe.

There were some concerns with kids being able to sneak in a weapon at times that aren't during the day. How is this system going to help with that? The main hours of operation for the Evolv system are between 6:00am and 3:00pm. This system would not help with after hour activities. Even though this system doesn't help in the evening activities, it doesn't mean that we should not implement it. We don't want to let

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perfection get in the way of something good. This isn't a perfect system, but it is going to make a difference and a way to improve upon what we currently have.

How is communication going to be sent out to the community? Parents will be given many opportunities to look at the equipment, ask questions, and more meetings will take place. One of the first meetings will happen February 8-9 during parent teacher conferences. Other dates will be announced. Currently parent nights are poorly attended and we need help with encouraging others to attend. Since this is a pilot program we will have ample chance for a lot of feedback throughout the pilot.

Is there any thought into having counselors do more with helping with behavioral health instead of just working on schedules? It is not easy, but one of the main purposes of a school counselor is to guide college and career readiness. We hire counselors specifically knowing that scheduling is one of the main job components. They will also help with other aspects of mental health and if there is a need for any individuals we have several district and school resources that can assist with that.

## Proposals

Art and Printmaking Workshop - (Lisa McAfee \$175.00). This proposal was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00PM. Next Meeting February 21, 2023 at 4:30PM