

TOWNHALL MEETING -- NOVEMBER 29, 2017

FACTS

- On November 5th, twenty-six people were shot to death during a church service in Texas.
- On October 1st, fifty-eight people were shot to death at a concert in Las Vegas.
- Columbine High School, Sandy Hook Elementary School, Virginia Tech, UC Santa Barbara, and Umpqua Community College are just a few of the well-known sites of acts of mass violence.
- According to the Department of Justice, 92 percent of public colleges and universities have sworn and armed campus officers.
- Campus Safety officers are more intimate with the students and campus environment

IMPROVEMENTS IN CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY

- Active Shooter training – Conducted by our own Campus Safety Deputy Chief
- Alertus – Campus Emergency Notification system
 - Computer notifications
 - Phone call notifications
 - Texting notifications
- Parking lot emergency blue phones
- Phones installed in all full-time classrooms
- Access entry control system
- Amber Box – Gun fire detecting system, currently only in building 9B as a pilot program
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC) – on campus command center for emergencies
- Hazardous Waste Removal program – managed by our Emergency Manager
- Safety Inspection program
- Parking Lot sign project
 - Begin over Christmas break
 - 44 - signs
 - All Student parking lots
- Health and Safety Committee – meets the first Tuesday of every month
- Security Camera project – The Board recently approved the policy and the first phase of implementing a camera system
- Door Lock upgrades–
 - ability to lock from the inside
 - 80% complete for classrooms
 - 20% complete for offices

Changes to Police and Campus Safety

- Currently four managers: Chief, Deputy Chief, two sergeants
 - Each with more than 25 years of law enforcement experience
- Increased physical presence throughout the campus
- Upgrades to department equipment including computer-aided dispatch and mobile computers, to increase department professionalism.

Policy on Weapons and Campus and Use of Force

- Active shooter incidents at schools occur frequently. It is irresponsible to not take reasonable steps to protect the campus community from acts of mass violence.
- Time is the most important variable in mitigating the impact of an active shooter because the longer the violence lasts, the more casualties there will be.
- Police officers on campus will respond quickly to acts of violence on campus.
- Lexipol policies are based on federal and state statutes, case law, regulations and best practices.
- The Lexipol policy manual is written by legal and public safety professionals who constantly monitor major court decisions, legislation and emerging trends.
- Lexipol provides regular updates in response to legislative mandates, case law and the evolution of best practices.
- Lexipol's policy and training system has been proven to reduce the number of claims paid. One statewide insurance pool reported, Lexipol users saw 69% fewer litigated claims, compared to pre-Lexipol implementation.
- Lexipol is America's leading provider of defensible policies and training for public safety organizations
- Lexipol provides services to police (airport, municipal, campus, port, tribal), sheriff's departments, jail and custody facilities, detention centers, District Attorney offices, probation offices, state and federal agencies, fire departments and many others.
- Lexipol is America's leading provider of state-specific policies and training for public safety organizations and is currently in use in more than 2,900 agencies nationwide.

What is next for Police and Campus Safety

- Increased professional level of service to the campus
- Ability to handle our own law enforcement duties in a timely manner