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MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2019 COMMITTEE MEETING

**SLIFE BALLROOM, COMMONS
UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA
CEDAR FALLS, IOWA**

**November 13, 2019
11:30 a.m.***

Committee Members in Attendance

Jim Lindenmayer (Chair)	Melissa Shivers, University of Iowa (by phone)
Zack Leist (Co-chair)	Martino Harmon, Iowa State University
Jason Pontius, Board staff	Paula Knudson, University of Northern Iowa

Others in Attendance

Regent Bates, Regent Dunkel, Regent Boettger, Regent Barker, Regent Dakovich

Chair Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at 11:33 am

1. Minutes of September 18, 2019 Meeting:

Approved by general consent.

2. Clery Act Reports (Haire, Newton, Beckner)

Clery Act Reports were entered into the Board's public record

Regent Lindenmayer. Are you aware of any national trends or any trends on your own campuses?

Chief Newton: Every campus is different and that impacts trends. Sexual assault reports have increased nationally and I see that as a positive because people feel comfortable coming forward. We do sometimes see percentage increases, but this is due to small numbers of reports. At ISU we have seen a decrease in assaults, and increase in burglaries, but the Clery definition of a burglary differs from that of the state.

Chief Haire: We also had an increase in burglaries because one area was burglarized eight different times. It is absolutely a good thing that people feel more comfortable coming forward with sexual assault reporting.

Chief Beckner: Decrease in alcohol violations inside the residence halls. About three years ago we had one student working for us and now we have over 100 and they are driving around in golf carts and giving students rides. When we see numbers go up, we create programs to help get those numbers down.

Regent Lindenmayer commended the work of the chiefs and their ability to adapt to a changing environment.

3. Presentation: University Threat Assessment Teams (Haire, Reams, Hotchkin)

Presentation provided including a brief student presentation.

Regent Barker: What steps do you take to maintain the confidentiality of students who may be investigated?

Chief Newton: With our teams we talk about the confidentiality of students and maintain a secure data base for securing records. Threat records are not subject to open records requests.

Regent Boettger: I feel great that you are having these weekly meetings. How widespread is the knowledge of how to get help on campus?

Chief Haire: I think the campus does a good job. Faculty and staff have an employee assistance program. Students have the Dean of Students and they are very proactive and work closely with areas like counseling services and residence life. They do a very good job of training the people who would be the first person a student talks to.

Chief Newton: We train about 45-50,000 people each year on various topics. We also discuss the services available and partner with student organizations to develop mental health resource cards. We work very closely with the Dean of Students office.

Eli Hotchkin: At the University of Iowa we provide training to staff, faculty and students about resources and we work with the office of strategic communications to develop a marketing plan because we do hear from students "I didn't know this existed".

Regent Lindenmayer. I want to commend you on your work and your weekly meetings.

4. Regent Lindenmayer recognized Dr. Melissa Shivers, who is leaving for a new position, for her outstanding service and dedication to the University of Iowa and to the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 12:06 pm.