

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 3, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING

**Slife Ballroom, Commons
University of Northern Iowa
Cedar Falls, Iowa
November 3, 2021
1:00 p.m.**

Committee Members in Attendance

Jim Lindenmayer (Chair)	Abby Crowe (co-chair)
Sarah Hansen, University of Iowa	Toyia Younger, Iowa State University
David Grady, University of Northern Iowa	Jason Pontius, Board staff

Chair Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at **1:00 p.m.**

1. Minutes of April 7, 2021 meeting were approved by general consent
2. Clery Act Reports (Chiefs Haire, Newton, Wiederholt, Bullock)

Chief Haire: Not many big changes on campus. There has been an uptick in drug referrals likely due to legalization in nearby states. A lot of mental health issues and self-medication

Chief Newton: Crime numbers are lower except for motor vehicle theft. However, it is important to look at the numbers and not the percentages because the number of thefts went from 1 to 7. Alcohol incidents are down due to no fans at sporting events. ISU started providing monthly "use of force" reports. Recruitment and retention to the force is a real problem. Mental health is a big issue, including the mental health of staff.

Chief Bullock: Alcohol incident numbers need to be amended up on the current report, but the numbers still indicate a big decrease from last year. Aggravated assault increased significantly with 49 total aggravated assaults with 32 at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. We have signed an MOU with UIHC to hire four new police officers to help. Working on ways to reimagine campus safety led by VPSA Hansen and better communicating the things we are already doing. We use a victim-centered approach and advocate for victim follow-up and outreach.

Regent Crowe: Where will the four new UIHC officers be posted?

Chief Bullock: We will add four now and then four more later. The emergency room is a big area, but otherwise there will not be a dedicated location.

Regent Barker: What have been the impacts of beer sales?

Chiefs response: It has gone well. There has been less intoxication at the entry to events and we have more control over the access to alcohol.

Regent Boettger: Are the numbers down for new officers?

Chiefs response: We are depleting new recruits so quickly despite the police academy being full. Officers are leaving the force or leaving for more supportive communities. It takes eight months from hire date to starting work because we have so much training for new officers.

Regent Barker: Is there enough space for your campus police at UNI & ISU?

Chief Newton: We need new space, but we are working on it.

Chief Haire: We are in a pretty good space, but we would use more.

3. New Business: None
4. Next Meeting: February 23rd, 2022.
5. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at **1:58 p.m.**