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**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2018 COMMITTEE MEETING**

**BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA  
CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE**

**ALUMNI CENTER, REIMAN BALLROOM  
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AMES, IOWA**

**Committee Members**

Rachael Johnson, Chair

Nancy Boettger, Vice Chair

John Cool, Assistant Administrator, Iowa School for the Deaf

Scott Beckner, Assistant Vice President and Director of Public Safety, University of Iowa

Reginald Stewart, Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion, Iowa State University

Paula Knudson, Vice President for Student Affairs, University of Northern Iowa

The corresponding memorandum for each agenda item and audio recording of the committee meeting are available on the Board of Regents website at <http://www.iowaregents.edu/>.

**Call to Order**

Chair Johnson called the Committee meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. John Cool and Scott Beckner were not present.

**Agenda Item 1**

The minutes from February 21, 2018, as presented, were accepted unanimously by the Committee.

**Agenda Item 2**

Chair Johnson recognized the campus representatives: ISU Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Greek Affairs, Billy Boulden, SUI Assistant Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life, Erin McHale, and UNI Associate Director of Student Life, Steffoni Schmidt. Together they presented information on the theory of belonging and some history of fraternity and sorority life. Mr. Boulden provided information on councils, houses, funding, and unique attributes at ISU. ISU provides educational programs for their members and they are working together to cultivate ideas on harm prevention. Ms. McHale provided information on councils, student participation, and unique attributes of Greek life at SUI. She discussed safety recommendations put into effect after the death of one sorority member such as a moratorium, new guidelines, and new staff members. They are progressing on other recommendations and will meet this spring to work on additional alcohol harm reduction. Ms. Schmidt provided information on councils, chapters, funding and unique qualities of Greek life at UNI. She provided details on alcohol harm reduction plan. They are currently in Phase I, determining the history and assessment of alcohol harm and addressed what they have planned for Phase II. All three representatives provided the current standing of rules regarding alcohol consumption on their respective campuses. Regent Boettger asked for additional information about hazing. Regent Bates inquired about education provided before joining a fraternity or sorority. Regent McKibben commended the representatives on the actions taken. Regent Boettger asked about serenades. Regent Dakovich asked about alcohol policies

in the dormitories and the definition of hazing. Regent Cownie inquired about the appropriate number of drinks served. The SUI program allows 5 drinks over 3 hours and they keep track by using wristbands with pull tabs. Melissa Shivers, Vice President of Student Life at SUI, provided details on the rules on alcohol in residence halls. Chair Johnson thanked everyone for their work on this matter.

**Agenda Item 3**

Chair Johnson recognized Board Paralegal Jennie Enzian for the report comparing the board campus and safety report and the Clery report and she thanked the police chiefs for their collaboration. Chair Johnson recognized Board Counsel Aimee Claeys who went over highlights in the comparison report. Clery has a larger scope of review and only applies to the universities. The board campus safety and security report covers topics not in Clery such as student involvement, the smoking ban, safety goals, threat assessment, and the special schools. Police Chief Newton explained that the board report contains police incident based reports, Clery contains other pieces of statistical items of offenses reported to other offices and is therefore more comprehensive. Each report has different definitions of crimes which skews results and why he recommends the Clery report data. Counsel Claeys spoke about different options such as primarily using Clery or evolving the board report or make regular reports on topics related to campuses and the special schools. Chief Newton recommended using the Clery report and using an addendum. Chair Johnson stated they would still need the board report at the April meeting and would like to see a proposal at that next meeting as well.

**Agenda Item 4**

Chair Johnson opened discussion on the committee work plan. She mentioned broadening the scope of the committee to include student affairs in general and asked for feedback. She reiterated the desire for a crimes reporting proposal at the April meeting seeking approval in June. Vice President Knudson stated her support of both initiatives and would like to get rid of duplication. Chair Johnson stated that the committee also discussed Freedom of Speech and they are proposing a full board discussion on that topic in June. Regent McKibben stated support for regents being present at subcommittee meetings even if they are not a part of the committee and commended the Safety and Security Committee for their work. Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting.