MINUTES OF APRIL 6, 2016 SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA
CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY SUB-COMMITTEE
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, UNIVERSITY CAPITOL, EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM 2390
IOWA CITY, IOWA

SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT
Chair Regent Sherry Bates
Vice Chair Regent Rachael Johnson
University of Iowa Chief Diversity Officer and Associate Vice President Georgina Dodge
Iowa State University Interim Assistant Vice President for Public Safety Aaron DeLashmutt
(by video conference)
University of Northern Iowa Special Assistant to the President Terry Hogan
Iowa School for the Deaf Assistant Administrator John Cool

Chair Bates called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

PURPOSE OF MEETING
Chair Bates explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the annual campus safety
and security reports and to discuss residence halls policies and procedures related to safety and
security.

PRESENTATION OF 2015 CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORTS

UNI Chief of Police Helen Haire, SUI Interim Assistant Vice President and Director of Public
Safety Lucy Wiederholt, and ISU Interim Assistant Vice President for Public Safety Aaron DeLashmutt
provided information about how their university addresses the following areas
– mass communications capabilities; threat assessment and management; physical security
capabilities; training of institutional personnel; and relationships with other law enforcement
and community agencies. The programs and services developed by the campuses to
address safety and security are numerous. Here are examples.

At UNI, some of the strategies implemented include body cameras for police officers, the
Violent Incident Defense Strategy program, and e-learning training for campus personnel
identified as Campus Security Authorities. The Threat Assessment Team was established
to prepare the campus to manage situations and issues that may threaten the safety and
security of students, employees, and visitors. UNI police meet with Cedar Falls police to
discuss active cases and problems around the campus.

SUI has adopted 21st century policing, including four principles of procedural justice –
treating people with dignity and respect; giving individuals “voice” during encounters; being
neutral and transparent in decision making; and conveying trustworthy motives. The
department established a “Sexual Assault Response Guarantee” which lets survivors know
the expectations of police officers during a response to sexual assault and a remedy if they
are dissatisfied. The department offers a “soft interview room,” which creates an
environment that fosters trust. The department is investigating the use of the Crisis
Intervention Training San Antonio Model which creates a partnership among community
agencies to provide fair and impartial policing.
ISU is finalizing implementation of a new initiative involving the recruitment, selection, and training of on-call sexual assault nurse examiners. The department continues to use a Threat Assessment and Management System to assess potentially dangerous situations. Sworn officers provided 282 prevention and outreach programs to approximately 38,000 people during the past year. Recently implemented initiatives include a multicultural liaison officer; coffee with a cop program; and a mobile app for the safety escort program.

The Iowa School for the Deaf upgrades the security and safety environment for the students and staff on an ongoing basis. The School’s safety committee reviews and updates the School’s crisis plan which is distributed and posted throughout the campus. The School works with local law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and the Council Bluffs Department of Health on an ongoing basis.

PRESENTATION OF RESIDENCE HALLS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY

Dr. Von Stange, Dr. Pete Englin, and Mr. Glenn Gray provided information on residence halls policies and procedures on campus safety and security.

Residence facilities include master key security protocols; video surveillance cameras; public broadcast and personal notification systems; exterior lighting; and inventory reserves for disaster preparedness.

Residence staffing includes live-in professional and student staff; employee background checks; on-call evening and weekend service; staff training, including mock scenarios and tabletop exercise; and education on industry standards.

Student education and service includes community development and student governance to foster ownership; programs to reduce high risk behaviors and enhance personal development; and staff role-modeling and peer educator roles.

Campus partners include public safety; counseling and health services; legal counsel; compliance and equity management; and city, county, state, and federal agencies.

The residence halls staff routinely conduct assessment to determine residents’ perceptions of safety and security.

Future considerations include pandemic and terrorism preparedness; system-wide continuity of operations plan; automated external defibrillators in all facilities; and technology related security, backup, and recovery.

CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY SUMMIT

There was discussion about the Campus Safety and Security Summit that will be held at ISU on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at Iowa State University. Diana requested that the Committee send her potential topics for the Summit.

2015-16 CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY SUB-COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

The Sub-Committee will meet on the following dates: Monday, September 19, 2016 at the Iowa School for the Deaf (Council Bluffs); Thursday, January 26, 2017, at Iowa State University (Ames); and Thursday, April 6, 2016 at the University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls).
Chair Bates adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM.

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