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**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

**IOWA MEMORIAL UNION  
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
IOWA CITY, IOWA**

**Committee Members Present**

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

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**Call to Order**

Chair Johnson called the Committee meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. Committee members provided brief introductions.

**Agenda Item 2**

Chair Johnson read the Committee's charge as laid out in Board of Regents policy manual section 1.2. Committee members did not have any questions regarding the charge.

**Agenda Item 3**

Board Counsel Aimee Claeys provided the Committee with an overview of state and federal laws, rules, and regulations relevant to the Committee's charge. Counsel Claeys provided the Committee with an informational handout. Chair Johnson commented on the breadth of issues that are included in campus safety and security. The Committee had no recommendations for additional laws, rules or regulations for future discussion.

**Agenda Item 4**

Chief Academic Officer Dr. Rachel Boon provided the Committee with an update on the Campus Safety and Security Summit. Dr. Boon has been working with a planning committee that includes representation from private and community colleges, the Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault, and other interested groups from across the state. The Summit is scheduled for November 1, 2017, in the Scheman Building on the campus of Iowa State University. Two keynote speakers have committed to presenting. The first speaker will present in the areas of Title IX, Clery and federal reporting requirements. The second speaker will discuss civil discourse and the language of threat and its impact on the campus environment. Registration will be widely distributed in the next weeks, and Committee members were encouraged to share this information with their colleagues.

Vice Chair Boettger inquired as to the target audience of the Summit. Dr. Boon stated that the target audience is broad and includes K-12, higher education, legal counsel, diversity and inclusion, and safety representatives.

Committee member Knudson asked if the Summit was a part of the Committee's work. Dr. Boon explained that while the Summit is related to the Committee's work it is not fully managed by the Committee. Committee member Knudson inquired as to the target audience and the funding source. Dr. Boon stated that the registration fee is set at \$60, and is intended to be a cost-recovery mechanism. As to the target audience, Dr. Boon stated that the Summit information should be shared broadly with all staff who might deal with campus safety issues.

**Agenda Item 5**

Chair Johnson opened the floor for discussion of future Committee agenda items. Chair Johnson expressed an interest in inviting a student panel to present to the Committee on key issues from the student perspective.

Vice Chair Boettger would like to be educated on policies and processes currently in place for preparing for and managing national disasters and addressing student and staff conduct in the campus environment. Committee member Knudson agreed that an important topic for future discussion should include balancing free speech with civility.

Committee member Beckner would like the Committee to review the safety and security reporting that is currently required by Board policy to determine whether continuation of this report is necessary. Committee member Beckner shared that reporting required by the Clery Act may be more comprehensive than that required in Board policy.

Committee member Knudson agreed that there may be overlap or inconsistencies between reporting requirements under federal law and that contained in Board policy or state law. She also requested that required training be reviewed to identify opportunities for shared systems or engagement in the training of staff.

Committee member Stewart is interested in sharing information concerning the systems each university currently uses to manage required reporting to determine if efficiencies might be gained through vendor contracts. Committee member Stewart stated that Iowa State University is running a campus climate survey that is scheduled to close October 31. There may be value in discussing the campus climate survey and considering larger datasets in the future.

*The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.*