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**UPDATE ON CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY**

**Action Requested:** Receive the oral reports from the Directors of Public Safety at the universities and the superintendents of the special schools.

**Executive Summary:** In October 2007, the Board approved the "Comprehensive Campus Safety and Security Policy" which is incorporated in the Board of Regents Policy Manual as Chapter 11.

In this policy, the Board delegated authority to the heads of the institutions to implement comprehensive safety and security policies and procedures. In approving this policy, the Board also directed that state-certified police officers employed at the three Regent universities carry firearms in the regular performance of their duties.

The policy also requires each institution submit an annual report on the status of safety and security. The report is to include mass communications capabilities; threat assessment and management; physical security capabilities; and training of institutional personnel.

As a pre-cursor to the annual report, the Directors of Public Safety and the superintendents of the special schools will provide the Board with a brief update on the activities in the last year. The detailed written report will be included on the Board's agenda for its February 2009 meeting.