



University of Houston
Safety and Security Committee

Minutes
September 9, 2011

Attendees:

Malcolm C. Davis

Bob Bowden

Kerry Creelman (Faculty Senate)

Lawrence Schulze (Faculty Senate)

Anne Wilburn (Staff Council)

Ginger Walker (Administrative Support)

1. New Security Kiosks

- a. Chief discussed the new kiosks. He explained that they are staffed 24/7/365. They are a gray/red in color. They are a perfect height and location for views of lots and entrances to lots. Windows are all around for great views.
- b. Each lot has different needs. They are located in 12A, 9C and 4A. The developments with Metro impacted the 9c location. There will at some point be fencing along that lot after Metro has complete construction.
- c. In the future lots 16B and 16D will have kiosks interior as well. A question was asked why we got the Kiosks. Chief answered that we got them as a result of negative perception issues and the task force. The idea is to deter criminals from ever coming on campus. Additional changes will take place after metro finishes the light rail.

2. Chief of Police Position

- a. Chief Davis mentioned that the University of Houston is currently looking for a Chief of Police to take on Chief Davis' police duties. Chief Davis will remain the Assistant Vice President for Public Safety & Security overseeing the police department functions. Chief Davis hopes that the member of the Safety and Security Committee will get a chance to speak with the candidates that come on campus. Chief Davis will have more information on the Chief of Police Search at the October meeting.

3. Fire Marshal Update
 - a. Bob Bowden discussed fire protection of campus and our main educational focuses again this year is *Have an Exit Strategy*.
 - b. At the moment the Fire Marshal team is working on the various construction areas to ensure that all fire and life safety codes are being met.
 - c. The fire drills on campus were completed this past week.
 - d. Ann Wilburn asked a few questions regarding the safety warden program. Bob shared his knowledge and also expressed that more information will be coming out soon to the departments.

4. Security Officer Program Update
 - a. Chief discussed the current retention issues and shared some statistics. He explained that part of it is money and the other part who we want to hire at what locations. We have a lot of work to do and will continue to work on the retention problems. A short discussion on the job description occurred and was helpful to the group.

5. Bicycle Safety Update
 - a. The Department of Public Safety is currently working on bicycle safety policies on campus.
 - b. It was mentioned that we may want to review Texas A&M's policy on the bicycle safety and registration. The Safety and Security Committee will get a chance to review these policies once they are further along.

6. National Night Out/Walk in the Dark
 - a. The event takes place from 4:30pm-8:00pm, October 4, 2011 in Lynn Eusan Park. Chief briefly discussed the event and the changes that will take place this year. Chief Davis encouraged the committee members to participate in the Walk in the Dark portion as well. Chief asked that the committee send out an email blast with the flyer and asking for participation. He also mentioned that if you can't attend, be sure and send your concerns to Ginger Walker at gkwalker@uh.edu

7. Daily Crime Bulletin
 - a. Chief shared that our Daily Crime Bulletin is online and updated daily. Now the Department of Public Safety also provides a map to go along with the Daily Crime Bulletin. The Daily Crime Bulletin lists the crime within the last 24 hours.

8. The next meeting Chief Davis will be discussing the Annual Crime Report.