



University of Houston  
Safety and Security Committee

Minutes  
November 6, 2009

1. Fire Safety Update
  - a. Bob Bowden discussed the new construction on campus and the need for a new FTE which was received in the FY10 budget cycle. The new employee will assist with inspections of buildings.
  - b. The final reinspection response will be prepared in the new future for the State Fire Marshal.
  - c. Bob Bowden briefly discussed the new Right to Know Act with the group. The new act will require universities to report residential facility incidents to the Department of Education as similar to the Clery Act.
  
2. Blue Ribbon Task Force on Safety and Security
  - a. A brief overview of the recommendations that were presented to the President were shared. These recommendations will help improve perception that the campus is unsafe were discussed with the committee. More details will be shared in the coming months.
  
3. Fall 2009 Walk in the Dark Follow Update
  - a. The Fall Walk in the Dark was very successful. The campus community came out to support the annual event in record numbers. The results of the Walk in the Dark are posted at the following site:  
<http://www.uh.edu/af/pressrelease/PR2009/102009/WalkintheDarkFactSheet.pdf>
  
4. *Clery Act* Comparison
  - a. The group was given a comparison graph showing the crime on campus in the past three years. The group would like to received information on how UH compares to similar universities. That information will be prepared and shared at the next meeting.
  
5. *December Meeting?*
  - a. *Unanimous agreement to have a December*

6. Committee Discussion Items

- a. Dr. Chung discussed some concerns from faculty members regarding the escort services. Female Faculty members are concerned about waiting for over 30 minutes for an escort to their vehicle during dark hours. Staff Council indicated that they have a good response for staff with regard to escorts. Ginger Walker will be bring these items to Chief Davis' attention.
- b. Staff Council would like to see a map indicating the AED's on campus. This should be ready by the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date:

December 4, 2009, 1:00PM

Location:

Department of Public Safety Building