

CPSC Attending:

Betty Brickson
Clint Culpepper
Willie Halliburton
Kris Henning
Leia Hertel
Michelle Holiday
Marcy Hunt
Sheena Ino

Keith Kaufman
Nicole Morris
Stephen Percy - Chair
Heather Randol
Marcus Sis
Carmen Suarez
Robert Winthrop

CPSC Absent:

Amy Donaldson
Sunny Hatch

CPSC Staff:

Mark Wubbold

Campus Public Safety Committee (CPSC) - March 4, 2016

Convened: 1 pm

Topic: Welcome and Introductions – Chair

Topic: Delivery of the committee’s charge.

V.P. for Finance and Administration (FADM), Kevin Reynolds delivered the charge to the CPSC. This committee will be advisory to FADM as defined in the June 2, 2015 Board of Trustee’s (BOT) resolution approving the [University Public Safety Department Management and Implementation Plan](#).

Topic: CPSC work plan and communications.

V.P. Reynolds asked the CPSC to begin its work by considering the issues of classroom safety and access, the use of security cameras, utilization of “blue phones” to broadcast emergency warnings, and other campus safety issues of general concern. CPSO Officer Willie Halliburton will serve on the CPSC and act as a liaison to the committee. Officer Halliburton has 27 years of experience in community policing and will help facilitate communications between CPSO and the CPSC.

Topic: CPSC deliverables.

V.P. Reynolds has asked the CPSC to report on their work at least once (preferably twice) a year. These reports will help inform Reynolds’ annual reports to the BOT as required by the resolution.

Discussion: In addition to the mandated BOT report(s), CPSC is interested in opening additional lines of communication with the campus community. These could take the form of ad hoc public listening sessions, online surveys, and other feedback loops. The CPSC will extend the work of last year’s Task force on Public Safety and the Implementation Advisory Committee to serve as a new conduit for information on campus public safety.

Action: Chair Percy will coordinate the CPSC's reports with V.P. Reynolds to ensure the BOT is kept apprised of CPSC activities. The committee will deliberate on ways to keep the campus community engaged with their work. CPSO will confer with CPSC when major public safety events occur on campus and seek their guidance on issues of general concern to the PSU community, such as CPSO policies and training.

Topic: Chief Zerzan's CPSO overview.

Discussion: Chief Zerzan's goal is to make CPSO a model for how public safety services are delivered on campuses, as well as for how officers are recruited, retained, provide services and engage with their communities. CPSO's office is now centrally located on campus. The facility is very high quality, and ideally designed and situated to support the CPSO mission. Members of the CPSC observed this at CPSO's recent open house, which was very well attended and will likely be repeated in the future.

Staffing increases of 10 CPSO officers now brings PSU much closer to national standards for a campus of our size. However, even with this increase, PSU still has a low officer-to-student ratio. Zerzan shared arrest data; most arrests involve individuals who were not affiliated with the university. The differential is approximately 20 arrests of a non-affiliated for every 1 of a PSU affiliated (faculty, student or staff) individual. He also shared the most common campus incidents: thefts, drug use (particularly heroin use in campus bathrooms), student to student sexual assaults, stranger to student sexual assaults, and domestic disputes in residence halls.

Action: Chief Zerzan to provide ½ hour informational presentation at next CPSC meeting. This presentation will focus on how CPSO is organized and how campus public safety issues are currently addressed.

Topic: CPSC work plan.

Discussion: Besides the issues identified by V.P. Reynolds, Chief Zerzan expressed a need for help from the CPSC with electronic access issues. The CPSC is also interested in developing its own project list, and being open to new issues that emerge from its outreach work with the community. One member expressed an interest in looking at crimes against students that occur *off campus*, as well as ways the CPSC can help improve public perception about the general safety of downtown (and PSU in particular). Shifting this perception is particularly important as PSU becomes ever more engaged with the Portland metropolitan region.

Action: CPSC members to review learning material in their briefing binders and come prepared with questions and work plan ideas at the next meeting.

Adjourned: 2:10 pm

CPSC Meetings: Every 2 weeks, for 90 minutes. Chair Percy to Doodle poll committee members to set dates.