

Personal Safety Committee

October 10th, 2006

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Gerald Schoenle, Toby Shapiro, Elizabeth Lidano, Dave Foti, Ken Hood, Marilyn Kramer, Fred Wood, Tracey Eastman, Sherri Darrow, Robyn Wiktorski, Dave Bray, Jim Guy, Mary Clare Fahey, Ellen Schoenfeld, Christine Lamb, Michelle Kleinfelder

- I. **Lighting Concerns** – Lighting repairs are being targeted and a database to tag the work orders is being developed. Around November 1st a list of lights outages reported will be sent out.
 - **South Campus Lighting** – Camera's for South Campus are in the works but there are still some issues and standards to work out before the project can advance.
- II. **Safety Survey** – The survey will be distributed on October 26th. A victimization survey was suggested. This survey will ask about the perception of the University Community on certain topics and then educate them on the actual statistics of that topic. Rape is an issue that needs to be addressed on campus, 85% of the people that are raped do not report it.
- III. **Blue Light Phones/Campus Pay Phones** –The suggestion of adding a blue light to the campus pay phones would be difficult to install because they run on a different system than the regular Blue Light Phones on campus.
- IV. **Violence Prevention Team** – A Suicide Prevention Grant was awarded and this will help with training individuals, raise awareness on campus and increase the amount of resources to help prevent suicide. AlcoholEDU is going great; there were only 140 freshmen who did not complete it. Part 2 still needs to be completed.
- V. **Anti-Rape Task Force** – One van was vandalized, but all services are running. Take Back the Night will be held on Thursday, October 19th at 7. Walk with Me will be October 26th from 12-1pm. The HEHS department will be having their name changed to SBI Health Education in the near future.
- VI. **Fire & Life Safety Subcommittee** – The Dali Lama event went extremely well. There were 20 organizations involved with full radio communication. Only one incident occurred when three people became very ill after eating chicken, but because of the fast communication, the incident was dealt with quickly. OFPC inspections started; there are still a lot of extension cords. There is a need to report anything sitting in a corridor or hallway, even if they are awaiting disposal. Evacuation Drills are underway. The undergraduate libraries are meeting with the subcommittee to discuss “safe rooms” to be used during a fire drill for any reason a person cannot get out of the building. The room would be sealed off with a phone to let someone know that they are in there. An issue would be the telephone; anyone could come and pick it up. Getzville fire department will be at UB for campus awareness drills on December 18th at 8pm in the CFA.
- VII. **University Heights** – The problems perceived in the University Heights area are usually linked to the students that are living there. Quality of life issues (parties, trash, etc.) are usually student related issues, and are also one of the top issues with the residences'. Mary Clare Fahey met with E-District and the president of the Fraternity Council to think of ways to monitor/fix the quality of life issues.
- VIII. **Safety Fair** – The Fair went very well, there were an estimated 500 students inside and around 4-500 outside. A lot of good information was passed along to the students.
- IX. **Other Business** –
 - There was a problem with people previously banned from the University coming into the libraries. A suggestion was made to put up pictures of the banned people on a website.