

Personal Safety Committee

February 10th, 2009

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Gerald Schoenle, Kathleen Murphy, Nicole Volo, Jim Guy, Jane Fischer, Ken Hood, Sherri Darrow, Toby Shapiro, and Renee Greene

I. Lighting Concerns / Blue Light Phones

- The South Campus project is moving along.
- The New Lights are up and running.
- Everything else should be completed by March 1st.
 - Not set up to monitor cameras at this time.
 - 2nd dispatcher will be needed to do any type of monitoring.
- North Campus
 - Send any additions to lighting survey to Chief Schoenle. Will replicated the same as south Campus.
 1. Lighting – Need to prevent shadows/dark spots
 2. Blue Lights
 3. Cameras

II. Violence Prevention Team –

- Violent Crimes
 - One about two weeks ago – Student assaulted on South Campus Main Bailey Lot only his food was taken.

III. Anti-Rape Task Force

- Waiting on signs and info to be posted at 29 locations with service information.
- Info on ARTF will be at all bus shelters – Link available on Parking and Transportation website.
- Requesting ID for rides.
- Increased calls for shuttle services.

IV. Fire & Life Safety Subcommittee –

- New Committee to try to reduce false Fire Alarms.
 - Number has been pretty stagnant last couple of years.
 - Educate students – Look at location of alarms in non-residential hall buildings
- Natural gas order for upper Putnam
 - May be appropriate to have gas company check – difficult to find in vent – pressure release valves

V. University Heights –

- Last semester, victims of violent crimes off campus were virtually all males – education may be working
- E District Biggest Problem is burglaries.
- Warnings – do not go to whole university if it only affects limited area of campus.

- Off-Campus Student Resident task Force has been active
 - Targeting furniture on porches
 - Working with buffalo on rental property registry law which is proving to be difficult
- Working with Gloria Parks to manage website.
- University Heights Collaborative
 - Relatively new – working with block clubs.
- Student death – Plattsburg
 - Off Campus wood frame structure

VI. **Safety Fair** –

- Freshman orientation July 6 – July 31
- Transfer Student Orientation 5/15, 6/15, 7/15, end of July, and two in August
- The Moving Off Campus Fair will be March 17th.

VII. **Libraries** –

- Fire drill difficult, especially in Capen
- Procedures in place – Last fire drill extended alarm to run device
- Remodeled entrances at Capen and Lockwood
 - Swipe cards could not control in a fire drill, changed to a toggle switch so doors lock.

VIII. **Judicial Affairs** –

- In recognized fraternity
 - Struggle
 - Some are repeaters
- Rash of DWIs – cultural fraternity
 - Alcohol education
 - Speaker coming to the CFA on 2/16 – athletics required to go
- Student remembrance Ceremony
 - 5/1 at 11am at the Student Union Theater
 - Usually 6 – 10 students that are remembered

IX. **Other Business-**

- Key Control a Problem
 - Each building responsible for own security – for many, people have master keys
 - Dental School problematic
- Car Break-ins – North Campus
 - 2007 education program worked – education important, not just UB problem.
 - Victims all students so far.

The Next Meeting will be March 10th at 9am in 250 Student Union.