



University of California, Riverside
Campus Safety Task Force
Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2020, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Minutes

Participants: Chair Jack Clarke, Tom Smith, Brian Haynes, Mariam Lam, Jason Stajich, Dennis McIver, Alton Carswell, Kim Overdyck, John Freese, Wade Stern, Sharon Oselin, Nichi Yes, Brianna Simmons, Judit Palencia Gutierrez, Keona Henderson

Non-member participants: Christine Victorino, David Bergquist, Megan Johnson, Blanca Alba

- Motion to Approve Minutes from 12/10/2020 meeting by Task Force Chair Jack Clarke; The Motion was approved by the Task Force.
- Christine led an overview of the draft report outline:
 - Provide more justification for each recommendations including citations, best practices etc.
 - UCOP has asked each campus to submit draft recommendations by January 11th
 - Sharon Oselin noted her concern regarding lack of research and data due to time constraints; can the Task Force call for a committee to continue this research and circle back on recommendations?
 - Chair Jack Clarke agreed and called for an explicit recommendation for an ongoing review committee.
 - Keona Henderson suggested ongoing annual meetings.
 - Brianna noted her addition to the draft report; agreed that the committee needs more time and ongoing discussions with the campus community.
 - Brian Haynes suggested a deeper dive on some of the draft report topics before finalizing recommendations
 - Tom Smith suggested a continuing group for ongoing research and to monitor recommendations over time; Tom also commented on Brianna's addition to the draft document and agreed that it falls short on the needs of the community but worries about recommendations becoming too broad
 - Brianna stressed the importance of community concerns of policing in the current conditions; recommends that the Chancellor give attention and resources to the current concerns
 - Sharon agreed that it is not feasible for the current task force to do comprehensive research, but that a recommendation for continuing committee should be included; Jack added that time restraints should be noted in the recommendations.

- In regard to Brianna's addition, Jack suggested including the first sentence regarding addressing safety from a holistic perspective; Jason also suggested defining the term "safety"; Christine noted that there are working groups focused on the pandemic and effects of the pandemic and suggested a student experience working group to specifically address current community concerns.
- Christine discussed the details of the draft report; asked Task Force to gather data/references/best practices to share with the group.
 - January 8th meeting will be a working meeting for the subgroups (90 minutes)
 - 3-4 paragraphs for each recommendation
 - Christine will create separate documents for each subgroup
 - Next meeting will be compiling the draft report
 - The next Town Hall to be scheduled for the 3rd or 4th week of January
 - Sharon advised that she will be on sabbatical beginning January
 - Dr. Haynes would like to hear more from faculty members regarding incorporating research; identify subject matter experts
- Proposed Timeline:
 - January 8th – Working group session
 - Draft within two weeks
 - Meet with subject matter experts & students
 - Campus Town Hall following release of draft
 - Chancellor to meet with Task Force in February
- Mariam noted there is a UC Campus Safety Symposium scheduled for February 2nd and March 24th; Christine added that this is a chance to inform the discussion for UC; called for actionable recommendations
- David Bergquist advised that there are continuing discussions in regard to a restorative justice program with Riverside County; The County will wait for a recommendation from this group and is interested in pursuing this.