

Campus Safety Workgroup Meeting

August 16th, 2021

Attendance

Present: Liz Watkins, Julia McLean, Jamie Lopez, Denise Woods, Marko Princevac, Ana Coria, Nancy Jean, Jennifer Winfield, Jen Hung, Elizabeth Romero, Elaine Wong, erin rook, Mike Cabral, Alex Cortez, Christopher Fernandez, Andrew Williams, Regina Stell, George Williams

Absent: Boris Maciejovsky, Matthew Chang, Nichi Yes

Agenda in Brief

Welcome (*Liz Watkins*)

Overview: Work of This Committee

Health, Well-Being, and Safety (*Denise Woods*)

Committee Introductions

Thought Exercise: What does campus safety mean to you?

Closing

Meeting Minutes

Welcome (*Liz Watkins*)

Campus Safety Workgroup is the follow-on from the Campus Safety Task force which had a report in March. UCOP has also been working on its own report.

We are adding more students to the workgroup, who will join in fall quarter. We may cancel the next meeting or two, due to schedule conflicts and the desire to wait for a full roster before diving in.

The Work of This Committee

- Meeting bi-weekly through December. Will decide/change meeting rate in the New Year.
- This workgroup will be constituted until June of 2022 and then will morph into a standing committee to work with the new division of Health, Well-being and Safety.

Committee Responsibilities:

1. **Overseeing implementation** of recommendations of our Campus Safety Task Force report and the framework from the Office of the President.
2. **Data Element** – A lot of requests for data. We will work closely with Health, Well-being, and Safety (AVC and Team) about what data is being collected and how can it be analyzed to inform practices.
3. **Review best practices and research literature** – help us sift through the literature (new and existing) on the range of issues our new division is working with and distill that information so they can apply it and work off the best, newest information.

Things that are **out of scope** for this committee:

- Public accountability: VC for DEI, Mariam Lam, is leading the public accountability workgroup. Our work may intersect.

The New Unit of Health, Well-Being, and Safety (*AVC Denise Woods*)

About

This new division encompasses student health, counseling, basic needs, UCPD, CARE (for students who have experience sexual assault or violence), case management, SDRC, and the Well.

- Safety is a pillar from public health, coming at this from a holistic standpoint.
- Multifaceted students; we need to provide resources on that variety of levels.
- Dismantle the barriers students come across as they are on campus.

What Health, Well-Being, and Safety needs from this committee

This committee is a pulse to campus representing different constituent groups.

- Take what we talk about here back to your groups. Then, bring their feedback here.
- Be thought-partners.
 - Where do we need to shift our narrative?
 - Is our data telling the story we want it to tell? Is it telling a true story?
 - Be open to innovative ideas and possibilities.

Committee Introductions, Constituencies, & Thought Exercise

Everyone introduces themselves, their role, their constituency, and their initial thoughts on campus safety. “What does campus safety mean to you?”

Themes

- **Identity:** Safety means everyone can be their true, authentic selves
- **Physical and psychological** safety
- Safety means **freedom from:** fear, abuse, negative interactions. It also means **freedom to:** access resources, feel welcome, come to this campus to work, learn, teach, and grow.
- Generative understanding of safety. Safety is not passive, it is **active**.

Closing

Thank you all for a productive meeting. Your respect and willingness to engage with vulnerability is appreciated. Some ground rules for future discussions include: call each other by first names, think before we speak, be respectful, be mindful of the time.