

UNIVERSITY SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE (USSC)

MINUTES

June 26, 2002

Members Present: Dean Bresciani, Laurie Charest, Susan Ehringhaus, Carolyn Elfland, John Olsen, Derek Poarch, Pete Reinhardt, Michael Rolleri, Bruce Runberg, Nancy Suttentfield, Tony Waldrop

Members Absent: Lorraine Alexander, Lester Kwock, Gene Scarborough, Marie Zeldin

Guest: John Worthington

1. Welcome, Introductions, Committee Charge, Meeting Dates

After introductions, Ms. Suttentfield welcomed everyone to the Committee. The purpose of the USSC is to better coordinate safety and security issues throughout campus, especially in the aftermath of September 11, 2001. This Committee is composed of chairs of other related committees and persons responsible for campuswide Safety and Security matters. USSC replaces the former Pan University Safety Committee. Meetings will be held quarterly (the next meeting will be scheduled in September).

2. Report on Security Assessment and Disaster Recovery Planning

Chief Poarch presented an update on the security assessment and disaster planning effort now underway with the assistance of Kroll International. The Office of the President has asked all 16 UNC campuses to prepare disaster recovery plans. The draft report and recommendations from Kroll are expected to be completed by September 1, and will be presented to the USSC for advice on priorities and resource investments.

3. Report on Select Agent Procedures

Mr. Reinhardt updated the Committee about the issue of select agents. A new law that supersedes the USA Patriot Act has been passed and the list of select agents is expected to grow. Security standards are high for these agents. The new law requires that background checks on all persons with access to these agents must be conducted by federal authorities.

Dr. Waldrop commented that proper oversight is needed. The inability to track materials is a big concern and there must be ways to hold the individual investigators accountable. Ms. Ehringhaus suggested the Committee create a partnership with deans and include them in this dialogue. Adequate training must be provided and obligations should be on both sides.

4. Review and Approval of Indoor Air Quality Policy

Mr. Reinhardt presented the revised Indoor Air Quality Policy to the Committee. Mr. Worthington passed out a detailed spreadsheet that was put together by Industrial/Hygiene and Energy Services that lists projects and priorities for various campus buildings.

Ms. Sutenfield said that deferred maintenance is the cause of much of the problems. A maintenance plan should be developed as a complement to the capital improvement plan. We must take care of what's here.

The Committee approved the Indoor Air Quality Policy for submission to the Chancellor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.