

CAMPUS SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
August 5, 2020

The Campus Safety Commission met on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 virtually via Zoom Video Conferencing. Co-Chair DeVetta Holman and Acting Co-Chair Jim Herrington convened the meeting at 9:06 AM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Jim Herrington, DeVetta Holman Copeland, Joshua Romero, Chief David Perry, Branny Vickory, Saif Khairat, Brandon Washington, Justin Miller, Kate Maroney, Latesha Harris, Leslie Kreizman, Charles Streeter, Eric Muller, De'Ivyion Drew, Desiree Rieckenberg

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Charles Streeter and a second by Eric Muller, the minutes of the July 1 General Body Meeting were approved.

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OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public came forward during the open comment period.

ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION TEAM UPDATES,
BOB BLOUIN, EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST

Roadmap Implementation Team (RIT) was established about 3 months ago when the University had to take a detour and abruptly end classes. Chancellor Guskiewicz asked Provost Bob Blouin to develop and lead the University's COVID-19 Roadmap with the goal of putting into place a strategy based upon assumptions that would enable us to return safely to our mission.

We made the decision early on to work towards the goal of beating the second wave which has led us to the August 10 start date. The intent of RIT is to bring forward a plan to allow us to return to campus in the safest possible way, and the time commitment towards this goal has been enormous. As we prepare to launch the semester, we continue to plan given several different outcomes and scenarios that may arise this semester (i.e. offramps).

RIT is currently working to expand Campus Health to create a private and protected testing area. There are many details that the committee works on in excruciating details spanning from testing to public engagement that will continue to be reviewed regularly as the circumstances change.

Questions from the Commission:

Eric Muller: Where do the policies live that are guiding UNC's roadmap offramp criteria? South Building or UNC System Office?

Response from Provost Blouin: They really live within our university, not down the road. They are actions that we should be tracking regardless.

Acting Co-Chair Jim Herrington: Who makes the decision about closing the University? Is it going to be top down from the system or based upon each University?

Response from Provost Blouin: The launch of each 17 campuses will be determined at the system level. There will be less coordination for taking an off ramp if the data at each institution points to an off ramp is necessary – it is not the sole authority of the Chancellor at each university. Decision making process will be more of a partnership arrangement between UNC leadership and leadership at BOG level

Joshua Romero: What is the University's ability to regulate large scale gatherings off campus?

Response from Provost Blouin: Our students are private citizens – the University is not in a position to prevent them from doing certain things that are well within their rights. We have asked all students to sign the attestation that states that the community expands well beyond the walls of our university. The state and county have adopted mask wearing and physical distancing guidance that are similar to our own campus standards – the town has their own opportunities for enforcement. It is about social and civic responsibility – if we're going to get through this, we need to be responsible so that we can enjoy having some form of a campus experience for our faculty, staff, and students. Greek life is a concern that we have – we don't have ownership of the property that these houses sit on. Students are expected to abide by the laws of the state.

Co-Chair Herrington thanks Provost Blouin for his time and dedication to this important work to preserve student safety.

CAROLINA READY SAFETY APP DEMONSTRATION, CHIEF PERRY AND JUSTIN MILLER

Chief Perry began the presentation on the important note that this application is endorsed by IACLEA (International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrations). There is a specific tab for the COVID-19 updates on campus and via CDC and WHO, with the option to create another tab that takes users directly to dashboard page. The application provides direct contact to local emergency resources – mobile blue light is a feature that is now in your pocket that gives location and signals that you need assistance. Support resources include EOC, CAPS, Police, Accessibility, etc. In conjunction with the recommendations from CSC, the hope is to create a quick link to the UNC Police General Orders information. Other links include Annual Security Report, Building Access, Silent Witness. A suggestion to highlight the work of the Campus Safety Commission within the app itself (annual report, statements, active shooter resources, etc.) was noted and recorded.

The highlights of the application include enhanced capabilities, changes and updates take only minutes; visitors/parents/anyone can download the app – no restriction on the number of downloads.

Justin Miller stated that the implementation team looked at various groups (EHS, IT, OVCSA, SGA, GPSF, OUC, UNCPD) to assess what is needed in a UNC safety app.

Questions from the Commission:

Emily Blackburn: Is there a mechanism where students feel empowered to report unsafe COVID-19 practices on campus?

Chief Perry: Currently, the Silent Witness application has been a resource for students and will continue to be – although, UNC PD does not plan to be the enforcement arm for safe practices – only if there is a breach of peace.

[A copy of this presentation is located at csc.unc.edu]

REQUEST FOR MOTION, CO-CHAIR HERRINGTON

Acting Co-Chair Herrington brought forth the proposition that the word *Belonging* be added to the CSC Mission Statement. Herrington specifically proposed that in the first sentence, add belonging to the end of the phrase to read: "...campus safety and belonging;"

A discussion ensued regarding the definition of belonging was had amongst commission members – the discussion surrounded the consequences/implications of adding this word to the mission statement (i.e. responsibilities, accountability, scope of mission, etc.).

On motion of Joshua Romero and a second by De'Ivyion Drew, the motion was approved unanimously by the Commission to put forward this proposal to Chancellor Guskiewicz for final approval.

REVIEW OF 2020-21 SUBCOMMITTEES (MEMBERS, PURPOSE, CHARGE)

Commission members were charged with reviewing the proposed subcommittee's members, purpose, and charge and report back to the September General Body Meeting with any edits, questions, or concerns.

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BY-LAWS AND CONSITUTION, JOSHUA ROMERO

In the interest of time, this item was moved to the agenda for the September 2, 2020 General Body Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Holman called for a motion to adjourn. Joshua Romero made the motion; Latesha Harris seconded, and it passed. Chair Holman adjourned the meeting at 11:01 AM.