**CAMPUS SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

**October 7, 2020**

The Campus Safety Commission met on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 virtually via Zoom Video Conferencing. Co-Chair DeVetta Holman and Acting Co-Chair Jim Herrington convened the meeting at 9:19 AM.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Jim Herrington, DeVetta Holman Copeland, Chief David Perry (UNC PD), Branny Vickory, Saif Khairat, Jim Moravansky (ITS), Charles Streeter, De’Ivyion Drew, Desiree Rieckenberg, Eric Muller, Kim Strom, Robert Campbell, Chris McClure (Chancellor’s Office), Latesha Harris, Emily Blackburn (Chancellor’s Office)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes**

On motion of Branny Vickory and a second by Eric Muller, the minutes of the September 2 General Body Meeting were approved with the addition of Kim Strom’s name to the roll call.

[A copy of these minutes is located at [csc.unc.edu](https://adminliveunc-my.sharepoint.com/personal/egbb_ad_unc_edu/Documents/CAMPUS%20SAFETY/MEETING%20MATERIALS/2020%20-%202021/8.5.20%20Meeting/csc.unc.edu)]

**UNC POLIC POLICIES UPDATE, CHIEF DAVID L. PERRY**

Most general orders are now uploaded and publicly available on Policy Stat. When sworn police officers enter the department, they sign onto the sanctity of human life. There is a clear understanding of deadly force as well. Prominent in the policy is de-escalation – this allows for officers to use action that most reduces the need for use of force. Key phrase is the what the “officer reasonably believes” which are the circumstances that cause the office to think in a similar way under similar circumstances. Less lethal devices are used across the department to utilize during de-escalation scenarios: OC Spray, collapsible baton, riot baton, electrical weapon (tasers), foam projectiles, bean bag round (colored blue – not a lethal weapon and used to subdue).

*Question:* Regarding those who are suffering from mental health episodes, what resources does UNCPD recommend for its officers? Chief Perry stated that Crisis Intervention Training is absolutely vital for these interactions. Licensed clinicians are also invaluable on in-person calls but can be supplemented with CIT-trained officers.

The use of force involves the totality of the circumstance, whereas in the past these uses involved a progression of tactics. The use of force continuum (or wheel) of options that are to be used when force may be necessary in a given situation.

This policy must be signed off on by the officers, not just read. It is a high liability issue, which elevates the amount of discussion around the topic to ensure that officers are more prepared for these situations.

Interactions involving use of force are documented and reported to AVC Derek Kemp to ensure a system of checks and balances. Additionally, all police officers wear body cameras – these officers are trained to activate the body camera on any call for act of service. They are also triggered by gun shots – the technical capabilities of body cameras continue to develop and are becoming quite mature.

**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 Co-Chairs prior to the November General Body Meeting with any edits, questions, or concerns.

[A copy of this document is located at [csc.unc.edu](https://csc.unc.edu/files/2020/02/UNC-Campus-Safety-Commission-COVID-7-1-20.pptx)]

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Co-Chair Holman called for a motion to adjourn. Eric Muller made the motion; Kim Strom seconded, and it passed. Co-Chair Holman adjourned the meeting at 10:55 AM.