

Campus Safety and Security Task Force

MINUTES

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Chancellor Allison Garrett and Angela Caddell welcomed members and guests Chad Wiginton, Western Oklahoma State College; Ron Ramming, Connors State College; Monica Trevino, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Kevin Leach, University of Oklahoma; Bert Miller, East Central University; Kendra Brown, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Jeana Rae Conn and Joe Batt, Rogers State University; John DeBoard, Cameron University; Jerrid Freeman, Northeastern State University; Bill Knowles, Seminole State College; Eli Zucksworth, Redlands Community College; Norman Nieves, University of Central Oklahoma; Justin Lockwood, Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education; Aaron Collins, Metro Technology Centers; Joshua Busby and Curtis Stewart, Langston University; Rick Koontz, University of Oklahoma-Tulsa; Laura Hutchinson, Oklahoma Panhandle State University; Elicia Berryhill, Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and Angela Caddell, Jarrett Jobe, Sarah Kimball and Emelia Ross, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 7, 2023 MEETING MINUTES: Garrett asked task force members to review the minutes of the June 7, 2023 meeting. The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

Caddell notified members that Andrea Hamor-Edmondson of the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services was unable to provide an update on the Kognito learning modules partnership as planned. Caddell said the presentation would be rescheduled for the next task force meeting.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Jarrett Jobe, OSRHE Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, said that a special session was called and that interim studies were underway, including studies scheduled in October focused on Oklahoma's Promise, concurrent enrollment, and diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) programs. He informed members that the 2024 Legislative Agenda for the state system was approved and would be available on the State Regents' website.

CAMPUS EMERGENCY MANAGER CONSORTIUM UPDATE: Sarah Kimball noted that the consortium was transitioning to leadership by a steering committee, and that there were candidates to serve as chair and vice chair. She also reminded members of the approaching Sept. 30 deadline to apply for the campus security grant opportunity from the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

WORKGROUP REPORTS: Caddell outlined the history of the task force workgroups. She noted that workgroup membership was low due to turnover in task force membership, and that given the workgroups were not currently active for specific projects, the decision was made to delay reforming the workgroups until deployment is needed.

FALL 2023 STATEWIDE SUMMIT UPDATE: Caddell told members that registration was open for the statewide Campus Safety and Security Summit, to be held Thursday, Nov. 7 at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond. Caddell reminded members that more breakout sessions will be repeated during the summit to give attendees access to as much content as possible. She thanked Norman Nieves and UCO for hosting the Summit.

Chancellor Garrett reminded the task force that the keynote speaker, Vennie Gore from Michigan State University, will share victories, lessons learned, and communication and policy implications of the February 13 mass shooting on the MSU campus, during which three students were killed and five others were injured.

FY24 TASK FORCE MEETING DATES: Caddell reviewed the FY24 meeting dates. She said the committee will always offer a Zoom option for those who are unable to attend in person.

OPEN DISCUSSION: Chancellor asked for other topics or suggestions. Caddell said that registrations for the last Crisis Intervention Team training opportunity were lower than for past events and asked members for feedback. Several members noted that turnover and insufficient staffing made it difficult to send campus staff to a week-long training in the last round, and confirmed that summer is indeed the best time for CIT training, given the time commitment.

Caddell mentioned a summer article from *The Chronicle of Higher Education* regarding a survey of students, faculty and staff conducted by the University of Arizona following the murder of a professor on campus last year. She said she would share the survey outcome summary with the task force.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:35.