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President

FROM: Patty Todd

Campus Safety Committee Chair

DATE: October 15, 2015

SUBJECT: 2014 – 2015 Annual Campus Safety Committee Report

Attached is the 2014-2015 Annual Report of the Campus Safety Committee. This report enumerates the activities of the SUNY Canton Campus Safety Committee and cumulative, campus-wide efforts, effectively addressing a broad range of campus safety issues. Please note links to web-based documents have been included and replace appendices.

Please feel free to request any clarification or additional data that you might require.

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SAFETY COMMITTEE CHARGE

The SUNY Canton Campus Safety Committee was established to address chemical hygiene issues. When Article 129-A of the NYS Education Law § 6431 was enacted, the Campus Safety Committee incorporated personal safety as well. The Committee is a presidential committee that functions outside faculty governance.

The charge of the Campus Safety Committee is to address a wide range of campus safety concerns. The Committee's first two charges:

- Responding to inquiries from concerned persons and referring complaints to the appropriate authorities
- ➤ Recognizing, evaluating, and recommending a course of action to solve or control safety/health problems

are met utilizing several different means. The annual Campus Safety Walk Around includes faculty, staff, and students who do a physical inspection of the campus during daylight and after dark. The <u>Safety and Health</u> <u>Reporting Form</u> is available to submit electronic safety/health issues. Finally, Safety Committee members are very active in soliciting and bringing safety issues to the Committee for discussion and resolution. Since a majority of the committee members are directly involved in the departments that play major roles in campus safety, most issues can be resolved at the committee level.

The Committee's last three charges:

- Ensuring that education is provided to the campus community about personal safety and crime prevention.
- > Identify and recommend strategies to the campus for the prevention of sexual harassment and sexual assault.
- ➤ Make recommendations for campus implementation by sharing them with the Title IX coordinator or designee.

are addressed through monitoring, reviewing, and participating in areas that provide safety information and education, including Title IX. Additional information has been included concerning Title IX and educational programming. As a part of its standing work, the Committee reviews a number of annual reports to insure compliance with the regulatory requirements, such as Campus Security Act, Fire Safety Report, Annual Campus Safety Report, and other requirements of the Education Law, Article 129-A

2014-2015 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Safety Committee's composition meets the requirements as defined by Article 129-A of the NYS Education Law § 6431. The committee membership is reviewed annually, and appointments are made accordingly. Safety Committee membership for 2014-2015:

- 1. Patricia Todd Co-Chair, Director Student Health Services
- 2. Susan Buckley Visiting Associate Professor
- 3. Lorie Charles Student Representative
- 4. Brian Guyadeen Student Representative
- 5. John Kennedy Director of Residence Life
- 6. Brian Kurish Lieutenant, University Police
- 7. Rajiv Narula Assistant Professor, Chemistry
- 8. Jamie Sovie Committee Secretary, Instructional Support Technician, Science

Ex Officio Members:

- 1. James Hamilton Chemical Hygiene Officer, Instructional Support Technician, Science
- 2. Patrick Hanss Director of Physical Plant
- 3. Corey Jordan Director of Campus Stores
- 4. Michael McCormick Director of Facilities Planning
- 5. Melinda Miller Director of Counseling
- 6. Alan Mulkin Acting Chief of University Police
- 7. Nancy Rowledge Associate Director for Human Resources
- 8. Torey Russell Co-Chair, Environmental, Health and Safety Coordinator

SUNY CANTON SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTIVITY SUMMARY

- Four Committee meetings were conducted for 2014-2015 year and the Campus Safety Committee web page is updated regularly.
- Reviewed mandatory compliance reporting for the <u>Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Statistics Act</u> and <u>Title IX</u> policies and reporting procedures.
- Reviewed and provided input on the <u>Campus Emergency Evacuation Plan</u> including training for University Police Officers on use of emergency chairs.
- Fourteen campus-wide email notices were sent out on health and safety issues including <u>Title IX</u> (8/28/14), <u>the Clery Act</u> (10/1/14), general campus safety information (10/28/14), <u>Sexual Violence Victim/Survivor Bill of Rights</u> (1/13/15), and <u>NY ALERT</u> (1/22/15).
- Conducted a <u>Fire Safety Day</u> on 10/16/14, which included fire extinguisher training and a control burn of a mock dorm room.
- ➤ 2014 Annual Campus Safety Walk-Around was conducted on 10/29/14 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Identified and addressed 25 new issues/areas of concern and followed up on 5 others carried over from 2013-2014.
- ➤ Handled 9 additional safety issues identified by faculty, staff, and students; submitted work orders; and followed up on status to completion.
- ➤ Developed Ebola preparedness plan based on CDC, NYSDOH, and SUNY recommendations. Health Center staff conducted a mock Ebola drill on 12/17/14 with EHS Officer observing and critiquing.
- > Updated the Campus Blue Light map.
- Reviewed/revised sections in the <u>College's Policies and Procedures Manual</u> and the <u>Student Handbook</u>, the <u>Sexual Assault Awareness brochure</u>, and <u>Quick Reference Guide</u> for Sexual Assault Survivors.

TITLE IX

The Safety Committee met with the College's Title IX Coordinator, Amanda Rowley, and received regular updates on Title IX activities. Many of the members on the Safety Committee are also involved in Title IX programs. Title IX, Sexual assault/harassment and domestic violence information is included in academic areas, such as First Year Experience (FYEP) 101 and BASK 060 (Freshman Seminar) by the Title IX Coordinator/Deputy Coordinator, Counseling staff, University Police, and Wellness Coordinator/Health Educator. Faculty and staff also completed mandatory on-line training for Preventing Sexual Misconduct (Title IX), Domestic Violence and the Workplace, Making our Campus Safer (Clery), and Preventing Workplace Violence. Title IX activities for 2014-2015 included:

- ➤ College Council voted on and passed the new Sexual Assault Policy.
- ➤ Presented nine Title IX presentations and six Title IX, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault for classes and student groups.
- The new <u>Sexual Violence Victim/Survivor Bill of Rights</u> has been added to website, and a notice was sent to all students, faculty, and staff prior to their arrival for the spring semester.
- ➤ Our University Police Department has been trained on the new policies, per the SUNY requirement.
- \triangleright The hearing boards were trained on the new policies on 3/24/15.
- ➤ Our <u>Student Handbook</u> was updated with the new policies.
- ➤ Six staff members attended the ATIXA (Association of Title IX Administrators) Investigator training March 16-17 at SLU -Al Mulkin, Amanda Rowley, Courtney Bish, Lashawanda Ingram, Tammy LaPage-Avery, and Nate Pietropaolo. All of these people are trained Sexual Assault Investigators.
- ➤ Author Laura Gray-Rosendale, who is a sexual assault survivor, did several presentations and a book reading on 4/13/15.
- ➤ All students will be offered on-line training on Title IX provided by *We-Comply*. A mandatory requirement of training for all Athletes, Greeks, Clubs, and Organizations prior to their participation in these activities will begin Fall 2015.

EDUCATION

There was a concerted effort to provide health- and safety-related programs to a wide audience in a variety of venues. Many of the Safety Committee members' departments are major providers of campus health and safety programs. Programs frequently addressed the intersection between domestic/sexual violence and alcohol/drug use.

Counseling:

- ➤ Presented/co-sponsored 170 programs this year with 10,180 student contacts. Programs were presented to RA's, in the residence halls, TRiO program, EOP, FYE, PTA, SSCI, and Early Childhood classes. Programs were also presented in the commuter lounge, for Greek organizations, and for athletes.
- > Program topics included:
 - Beer Goggles Experience
 - Sexual Assault Awareness
 - Jeopardy
 - Changing Perspectives
 - Weekly Meeting with Bill (like AA meeting)
- Awareness Tables/Campaigns for popular themes such as Spring Break Safety, Safe and Happy St. Patrick's Day, STI Awareness, and Make a Valentine Day Card.

➤ Worked with community resources for six educational programs including Renewal House and St. Lawrence Stop DWI Program.

Diversity:

- ➤ Celebrate Diversity with Apples (Apple Month Program Celebration collaborated with Library)
- ➤ 2 Diverse Discussions
- > Sexuality & Gender
- ➤ All Lives Matter
- ➤ Martin Luther King Jr Day of Service (collaborated with Student Activities, Greek Affairs, & Athletics)
- ➤ Positive Sticky Note Campaign (sponsored by CARES Committee)
- ➤ Native American Drum & Dance Lecture
- ➤ 4 Residence Hall Diversity Programming
- ➤ 4 First Year Experience Program Diversity Presentations

Health Center:

- > 7 Tobacco-related presentations, including the Great American Smoke Out
- ➤ 27 Sexual health/relationship programs, including LGBTQ Health & Sex Signals (featured speaker)
- ➤ 16 Nutrition/exercise-related programs
- ➤ 9 Cold/flu programs
- ➤ Red Watch Band Program
- ➤ 12 AHA CPR BLS/Heartsaver/First Aid classes
- Fall Fest Health Fair at Chaney and College Health Fair in the spring semester
- ➤ 41 Health Center tables with miscellaneous topics

University Police:

- ➤ 43 Educational programs, which consisted of Title IX, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Operation ID, and Drug/Alcohol programs
- > Programs were held for the Residence Halls, FYEP, Greeks, and other campus organizations

Student Activities:

> Sponsored over 180 programs open to the campus community and beyond, which provided healthy alternatives to alcohol