

**Public Safety Oversight Committee Meeting  
Draft Meeting Minutes of  
October 28, 2010**

**Committee Members in Attendance:** Russell Carey, Max Clemont, Justin Cohen, James Green, Chris Haywood, Bruce Holt, Amit Jain, Margaret Klawunn, Stephen Lynch, Michelle Nuey, John Ryan, and Valerie Wilson

**Committee Members Absent:** Evan Holownia, Matthew Gillette, Tom Lasater, Tracey Simon, James Simmons, Richard Rodrigues , and Cory Walker

**Meeting Minutes:** The Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2010 were approved.

**Tour, Welcome and Introductions:** Porter provided PSOC Members a tour of the new Public Safety Communications Center. The meeting opened with a welcome from the committee chairperson, Russell Carey, and then around the table introductions were made.

**Chief's Report:** Colonel Porter provided the committee with copies of the following campus reports, statistics and updates:

- **2008 – 2010 Incident Report Comparison Chart:** The total number of incidents reported to Public Safety in 2008 – total 1,876; 2009 – total 1,718; 2010 - total 1,301 (As of September 30, 2010).
- **2008-2010 Admit Comparison Chart:** The total number of admits in 2008 – total 4,600; 2009 – total 4,743; 2010 – total 4,216 (as of September 30, 2010).
- **Total Alarms:** 2010 – total 2,718 (through October 2010). Colonel Porter also shared the number of door alarms associated with each campus residence hall.
- **Total Escort/Transports Provided for years 2008 -2010:** 2008 – total 785; 2009 – total 421; 2010 - total 384 (as of September 30, 2010).
- **B&E/Burglary:** As of September 2010, (37) burglaries have been reported for the year.
- **Simple and Aggravated Assaults:** As of September 2010, (10) Aggravated Assaults have been reported for the year. Seven out of ten of the victims were students.
- **Robberies:** As of September 30, 2010, (8) robberies have been reported for the year. Statistics show a significant decrease in robberies on campus. Reduction can be attributed to the arming of the Public Safety Campus Police Officers, increased number of personnel, and enhanced officer deployment strategies.
- **Larcenies:** As of September 30, 2010, (109) larcenies have been reported for the year; Of the 109 larcenies reported in 2010, 35 were laptop thefts. In 2010, 35 laptops have been stolen

from 30 campus locations: (7) residence halls; (11) Administrative/Academic Buildings; (8) Off-campus/Private Residence; (3) Other/Dining Halls; (1) Motor Vehicle.

It was noted that the theft of laptop computers on campus was a serious problem in 2008 with a total of (92) laptop thefts in the year. In 2009 (68) and 2010 the Chief noted that there has been a steady reduction in thefts of laptops on campus. The Department's increase in laptop prevention awareness and investigation follow-up initiatives may have contributed to this decrease.

**Third Quarter Stop Data Report:** The report provided the field stop data and the motor vehicle stop data for the period of January 2010 through September 2010. During this reporting period, 34,817 service and emergency call entries were recorded by the Department of Public Safety. Below is a comparison chart of the number of field stops of persons for years 2009 and 2010:

- 2009 - Reported a number of 55 field stops and 86 persons stopped.
- 2010 – Reported a total of 85 field stops and 128 persons stopped.

The data is sorted in various ways, i.e., race, gender, and Brown affiliation, officer initiated vs. stops resulting from a report to DPS, and by day of the week and the time of the day. The data showed that stops have increased between the hours of 9a.m. and 3a.m.

**Motor Vehicle Stop Data:** The report indicated a total of 12 motor vehicle stops during this time period. The report is listed and can be viewed on the DPS website.

**Citizen Complaint Report 2010:** The report provided a comparison chart of the number of complaints received for 2010 (as of September 30, 2010), compared to the number of complaints received over the previous 5 years (2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009).

- 12 complaints reported in 2005
- 14 complaints reported in 2006
- 15 complaints reported in 2007
- 6 complaints reported in 2008
- 9 complaints reported in 2009
- 5 complaints reported in 2010 (as of September 30, 2010)

**Security Plans for the Jewelry District:** The committee received an update about the department's plan to separate out crime statistics for the main campus and the jewelry district in an effort to effectively monitor and address crime trends. Chief Porter shared with the group details about the many security recommendations for the new Knowledge District.

**Training and Hiring Update:** The committee received a training update providing an overview of all in-service training for department officers. Each DPS officer receives a minimum of 64 hours of in-service training per year. Learning goals for the department focus on four areas: community policing, use of force, diversity and policy and procedures. Over the summer months the department hired and trained (3) new Communication Control officers and (3) new Campus Police Officers.

**Community Outreach Report:** The committee reviewed the Community Relations and Outreach Bureau activity report. Outreach events are offered to promote awareness and provide education to prevent and reduce the occurrence of crime on campus.

**Accreditation Update:** Chief Porter announced that DPS has successfully received its reaccreditation status in July 2010, meeting close to 480 standards set by the Commission of Law Enforcement Accreditation (CALEA).

The committee discussed various options for informing parents about the detailed reports that are available through DPS. A suggestion was made to link the reports to various university websites that are often accessed by parents and alumni.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Nuey