

Chancellor's Advisory Council on Student/Neighbor Relations
April 29, 2010, 3:00-5:00pm
Faculty Club, Seaborg Room

Meeting Summary

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Southside Safety Plan

Chief Celaya (UCPD) and Chief Meehan (BPD) described how the two police departments have committed to working together during the Fall 2010 semester on joint patrols and trainings to reduce violent crime and noise disturbances in the Southside. Both see the proposed program as a good opportunity to increase communication between the police departments. Their command staff already meet monthly and they are looking forward to increased collaboration during the Fall semester. The plan is for the establishment of a joint patrol, with UCPD and BPD officers riding together in squad cars, with enhanced enforcement efforts during the first 6-8 weeks of the semester.

Captains Roderick (UCPD) and Ahearn (BPD) then made a short presentation highlighting the goals and objectives of the joint Southside Safety efforts:

- **Education:** both police departments are emphasizing the community policing approach which relies on the heightened visibility and accessibility of police officers in the affected neighborhoods. In order to curb problem behaviors, police cannot just focus on increased enforcement efforts but must also act as conduits of information for the community. They are hoping to connect with the Greek chapter leadership to emphasize that students should call the police on their own volition if an event is getting out of hand to prevent more serious problems before they occur.
- **Training:** both police departments anticipate undertaking joint training exercises with specific emphasis on the Second Response and Social Host Ordinances. The Chiefs have made clear that enforcing these ordinances will be a high priority for the officers working the joint patrol.
- **Data Collection and Tracking:** Enforcement efforts should be driven by solid data that accurately reflects the current state of the problems in the Southside. Both police departments also want to keep records of problem properties that can inform subsequent enforcement efforts. This data can be communicated to the University for follow-up.
- **Communication:** One of the primary problems has been a lack of communication, both between the police departments themselves but between the police departments and other University departments like the Center for Student Conduct and Community Standards. The joint patrol in particular seeks to decrease the average response time to a call for service in the Southside by directly routing calls from dispatch to the officers on patrol. The existence of the joint patrol will also accelerate the transfer of information from the police to the Center for Student Conduct. Both the police departments and the University

want to increase their outreach and communication to the student organizations (Greek chapters, athletic teams, registered student groups) around community expectations and the city ordinances that reinforce community standards.

III. Alcohol Prevention Coalition Presentation

Karen Hughes and Stacy Holguin provided information about the establishment of the Alcohol Problem Prevention Coalition on UC Berkeley's campus and their goals and objectives as well as some UC Berkeley specific data on student alcohol consumption and their attitudes concerning enforcement of problem behavior. Bob Saltz of the Prevention Research Center provided information and data on a current study of the alcohol related attitudes and behaviors of California's college students and how this data can inform future strategies around problem behavior related to alcohol consumption.

Helen Stubbs, from Outside the Classroom, gave a presentation on some of the best practices and programs that have been identified by the national consortium of alcohol problem/prevention groups.

Karen will be following up with members of the Advisory Council to solicit their input on the efforts of the Alcohol Problem Prevention Coalition.

IV. Ongoing Initiatives

Cal Move-Out/Move-In Programs

Ben Krupicka and Shallon Allen provided updates on the details and schedules for the upcoming Move-Out campaign. A new Move-Out flyer has been designed and information about the program has been distributed to campus and community members. Community members continue to view this program favorably and wish to see it continued in the future.

Action Items:

1. Distribute Move-Out flyer to the neighborhood associations
2. Follow-up with neighborhood associations about neighbors acting as bin captains to prevent abuse and overfilling of debris bins

UC4 (Census Committee)

Caleb Dardick provided an update on the success of the UC Complete Count Committee's effort in ensuring a complete count of the UC Berkeley student population in the 2010 census. The count of UC students has significantly improved since the 2000 Census.

Building Compliance Project

Jim Hynes updated the Advisory Council on the recent letters from the City Manager's Office that went out to property owners whose buildings did not post manager/contact information outside the main entrance of the building as required by City ordinances.

Letters have been sent out and staff have been following up with property owners so that all buildings will comply with relevant ordinances.

V. New Items

House Manager's at Fraternity Houses

Several neighbors raised the issue of house managers in fraternity houses. Sorority's currently have house managers that can be contacted in case of any problems, but fraternity's currently do not have such a requirement. It was asked whether this violates the City's ordinances concerning group housing. It was mentioned that a revision of the zoning ordinances would be needed to capture fraternity houses. Currently the decision whether to have a house manager is up to the national chapter and housing corporation and is not an area where the University has (or could have) regulations since these houses are not on University property.

*** The next meeting of the full Advisory Council will take place in December 2010.

VI. Participants

UC Participants:

Linda Williams, Chancellor's Office
Caleb Dardick, Local Government/Community Relations
Doreen Moreno, Local Government/Community Relations
Ben Krupicka, Local Government/Community Relations
Chief Mitch Celaya, UC Police Department
Capt. Steve Roderick, UC Police Department
Susan Traesger, Director of the Center for Student Conduct and Community Standards
Graheme Hesp, Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life
Mohamed Muqtar, Cal Athletics
Karen Hughes, UHS – Party Safe
Stacy Holguin, Residential Living/Office of Student Development
Steve Sutton, Office of Student Development
Rick Wan, Residential Living
Brandon Tsubaki, Fraternity and Sorority Life
Maurice Delmer, Government and Community Relations

City Participants:

Jim Hynes, City Manager's Office, Neighborhood Services
Capt. Dennis Ahearn, Berkeley Police Department
Chief Michael Meehan, Berkeley Police Department
Shallon Allen, City Manager's Office

Neighborhood/Community Representatives

George Beier, Willard Neighborhood Association
Jerry Rubino, Dwight/Hillside Neighborhood Association
Phil Bokovoy, Clark Kerr Neighbors
Michael Walensky, Blake Street Neighborhood Association

Roland Peterson, Telegraph Business Improvement District
Michael Kelly, Panoramic Hill Neighborhood Association
Bob Saltz, Prevention Research Center
Sid Lakireddy, Berkeley Property Owners Association
Helen Stubbs, Outside the Classroom/Alcohol Prevention Coalition
Dean Metzger, Claremont-Elmwood Neighborhood Association

Student Representatives

Jeremiha Douglas, Inter-Fraternity Council
Katrina Ziegenhirt, Panhellenic Council

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