University of California, Berkeley

CHANCELLOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON STUDENT/NEIGHBOR RELATIONS

April 27, 2009, 1:00-3:00 pm Seaborg Room, Faculty Club

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Presentation: Chancellor's Advisory Council on Student/Neighbor Relations: New Directions

This is an overview presentation of the Student/Neighbor Relations Task Force, covering the mission, assumptions, successes, challenges, and new initiatives. (Please see the attached PowerPoint presentation).

Action Items

- The Student/Neighbor Relations Task Force will now be called "The Chancellor's Advisory Council on Student/Neighbor Relations."
- Existing and future projects, programs, and initiatives will be undertaken by UC and City staff as part of their ongoing work.
- The Advisory Council will meet twice during the academic year to share information, review and evaluate initiatives, and raise new issues.
 - Midday meetings are difficult for long-term residents and students to attend. It is being suggested that the twice-yearly Advisory Council meetings will be held during the day, but other meetings can be scheduled for evenings.
- The standing committees may form ad hoc work groups to coordinate efforts around specific issues or projects.
 - o Neighbors may need to meet for bigger voice to resolve issues.
- Between meetings, long-term residents should forward information and issues to Community Relations staff, who will keep Linda updated.

The flowchart of the procedure in taking new information, concerns or follow-up:



- City and campus staff will meet to follow-up on and/or address issues and will keep neighbors informed of outcomes and/or new information.
 - o A Feedback Group will be provided.
- UCPD & BPD will provide joint on-the-street presence at strategic times during the academic year, including outreach to students to educate them about community expectations.
 - Willard Neighborhood is requesting more UCPD visibility in the Willard Neighborhood.
- BPD and UCPD will send information from Field Interview Cards to Student Conduct Office for follow-up with students, especially where there is a pattern of behavior.
 - Inform the students about the Student Conduct Office during orientation.
- ASUC is now an active partner of the Spring Move-Out Campaign and will pick up furniture at no cost, run a recycling center, store and re-sell furniture in the fall.
- A new Fall Move-In Program will include information/outreach to students, back-to-school events for students and neighbors, littering/dumping prevention.

- o A calendar will be produced with the Move-In Schedule.
- The Willard Neighborhood Association (WNA) is reviewing the Welcome Back to Students Street Fair and may organize a different event to attract more students. WNA would welcome event ideas and suggestions on how to obtain student input on 1) events that would attract students; 2) how to outreach to students to attend the event.
 - Welcome Week will be posted on the UC Berkeley campus calendar in association with the Back to School Program.
- Clark Kerr neighbors are not familiar with the "good neighbor" brochures and other materials distributed to students. Community Relations staff are preparing and updating these materials that will keep neighbors in all target areas informed.
 - The campus would welcome participation by Advisory Council members in distributing materials in the fall. Please let Community Relations staff know if you are interested.
- It was suggested that students meet with neighbors during orientation.
 - Dan Ocampo offered to work with neighbors to arrange a meeting between long-term residents and residence hall advisors to discuss such topics as good neighbor relations and community standards. The RAs would communicate the information to students.
- It has been agreed that activities and programs for the Willard neighborhood be replicated in the LeConte neighborhood.
- Parents are a key constituency that should be kept informed. The staff will continue to place appropriate articles in *Letter Home*, the newsletter for parents.
- Late night shuttles to transport students from Telegraph area to their residences (Under Consideration).
- Student safety ambassadors working with fellow students, neighbors, city and campus staff on public safety measures, emergency preparedness (Under Consideration).

Given limited resources, the campus will not undertake other initiatives until these are implemented and evaluated.

Information

- Students who live on the Clark Kerr Campus cause disruptions in the neighborhood as they walk home late at night, often under the influence of alcohol. It is felt that the campus due to safety issues encourages certain routes and the university should tell students to walk on other streets, e.g., along the Piedmont corridor.
 - ➤ For safety reasons, the campus does encourage students to walk in groups; however, it does not recommend the use of any particular route and cannot tell students not to walk on certain streets. The location of the 51 line bus stop at Parker and College may increase some foot traffic.
- Who can contact Student Conduct if there's an issue or complaint?
 - Anyone can register a complaint, however; privacy issues preclude disclosing outcomes - even to the complainant. Below is the Student Conduct website:

http://students.berkeley.edu/osl/sja.asp

The campus will fund late-night activities during Welcome Week (Saturday-Tuesday, 8/22-25) and the first week of the fall semester (Thursday-Saturday, 8/27-30). Staff will circulate the information and post it on the student/neighbor relations website http://onecommunity.berkeley.edu

Participants

Linda Williams, Associate Chancellor, UC Berkeley (Chair)
Dennis Ahearn, Captain, Berkeley Police Department
Amy Bair, Intercollegiate Athletics, UC Berkeley
Guillermo Beckford, Captain, UCPD
Phil Bokovoy, Clark Kerr area Resident
Jeremiha Douglas, Inter Fraternity Council, UC Berkeley
Lynn Halperin, Willard Resident
Irene Hegarty, Community Relations, UC Berkeley
Grahaeme Hesp, Fraternity and Sorority Life, UC Berkeley

Karen Hughes, PartySafe, UC Berkeley
Howard Janssen, Cal Parents Board
Harry Keally, Blake's on Telegraph
Sid Lakireddy, Property Owner
Dan Ocampo, Residential Living, UC Berkeley
Michelle Pellegrin, Willard Resident
Roland Peterson, Telegraph Business Improvement District
Nancy Pfeffer, Family, Student & Faculty Housing and Cal Rentals, UC Berkeley
Christie Richards, Pan Hellenic Association, UC Berkeley
Glenda Rubin, Community Relations, UC Berkeley
Bob Saltz, SAFER Universities Research Project, Prevention Research Center
Susan Trageser, Center for Student Conduct and Community Standards, UC Berkeley
Bob Viener, Le Conte Resident