Student Advisory Committee for Security – Meeting Notes

January 30th, 2019

Welcome

- Vice President Hyatt welcomed the group; reviewed the meeting agenda and objectives.

Approval of previous meeting materials to post on website

- Committee members reviewed the previous meetings’ notes and made a few grammatical and minor edits;
- Committee members approved meeting notes from November and December meetings, to be posted on committee website (http://security.jhu.edu/campus-security/student-advisory-committee/index.html);
- The group discussed how names of the Committee members would be posted on the website.

Interim Report on University Police Department; legislative process & opportunities for input

- Vice Provost Shollenberger introduced Mary Clapsaddle (Director Government Affairs, State Relations) and Steve Ruckman (Sr. Advisor to the President for Policy) to the Committee;
- Mr. Ruckman introduced himself to the group and spoke about the Interim Report and the research process;
- Mr. Ruckman reviewed the findings of the report and the recommendations;
  - The materials referenced by Mr. Ruckman can be found here: https://publicsafetyinitiatives.jhu.edu/interim-study-report/;
- Ms. Clapsaddle introduced herself to the group and talked about the JHPD proposal, the process of drafting a bill based on the Interim Report, and how the bill will proceed through the different committees in the State legislature;
- Ms. Clapsaddle also noted the opportunities and ways to engage the legislature in Annapolis;
- Ms. Clapsaddle discussed with the group next steps if this proposal is passed;
  - A primary next step would include the development of an MOU between JHPD and BPD;
  - The MOU would be shared for public comment prior to it being signed by both parties;
  - The materials referenced by Ms. Clapsaddle can be found here: https://publicsafetyinitiatives.jhu.edu/2019-legislation-and-resources/;
- Committee members asked whether or not GCA anticipates modifications to the proposed bill language;
  - Ms. Clapsaddle responded that there is a lot of detail in the proposed bill, which hopefully reflects the upfront work to listen and address concerns raised last year;
- Committee members asked about the composition of the Oversight Board and whether Hopkins affiliates would be overrepresented;
  - Ms. Clapsaddle explained that in addition to student, faculty and staff representatives, the board would include three representatives from the surrounding neighborhoods -- one from each campus (Homewood, East Baltimore, Peabody);
- Committee members asked who would be sponsoring the bill in Annapolis;
  - Ms. Clapsaddle responded that it would likely be Senator Hayes and Delegate Glenn;
- Vice President Hyatt encouraged the group to reach out to Ms. Clapsaddle with any questions or thoughts they might have.
Engagement around Safety and Security Training this Spring

- Vice Provost Shollenberger discussed how during the Fall community meetings, the issue of training were frequently raised;
  - Specifically related to training on De-Escalation, Mental Health, Racial Bias and Profiling;
- The new Security Training Director, once they have started in their new position, will be scheduled to meet with the Committee later this Spring;
- Vice Provost Shollenberger asked for suggestions regarding how to engage the students in training discussions with the new Training Director;
  - Committee Members asked if the off-duty Sheriff’s Deputies and BPD officers would be participating in this training; Vice President Hyatt confirmed they would be included;
- Sarah Ritter encouraged the group to email their suggestions.

Closing

- The group discussed how to share information about the proposed bill with their constituents, and Vice President Hyatt offered to draft a one page email with information that can be used by Committee members to share basic information with their peers and other governing groups;
- Vice President Hyatt spoke about the purpose of this group and recognized that the proposed legislation is an emotional topic – she values the Committee member’s opinions and experiences regarding these issues;
- The Vice President also reiterated that the Committee’s primary goal is to provide suggestions and expand engagement with the current Security department, regardless of the legislative activities.