CAMPUS SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 10:30 A.M.
Lowden Hall Room 304

Present: Mike Stang, *Alan Smith, Dave Scharenberg, John Petragallo, Laura Beamer, Jeanine Clark Bremer, Sam Mombou

* Committee Chair

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:31 a.m.

2. The minutes from December 21, 2016 were reviewed and approved.

3. Old Business:

The Committee discussed the following topics:

- **Campus Safety** –
  Dave Scharenberg mentioned that the next meeting for Building Captains is scheduled for February 17, 2017.

- **Community Safety** –
  There was no additional information discussed.

- **RAD Program and ALICE Training** –
  Dave Scharenberg mentioned that he passed on information about RAD and ALICE to other groups. He wants to get people to know about various programs around campus by Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) and other departments. When everyone passes information on, it can help people become aware of things and attend things that it is difficult to get people to attend.

  More information is on NIU PD’s website. The direct link is http://www.niu.edu/publicsafety/safety-education/rad.shtml.

  More information is on NIU PD’s website. The direct link is http://www.niu.edu/publicsafety/safety-education/alice.shtml.

- **Citizen Police Academy** –
  Alan Smith mentioned that the class is once per year during the spring semester. The dates for this year are Wednesday, January 25, 2017 through Wednesday, April 12, 2017, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The class is full (15 peoples). Please pass it on to others who may be interested in learning about it. Please contact Alan Smith for further information regarding the Citizen Police Academy.
• **Other Committee / Commissions Update**

There was no additional information discussed.

4. **New Business:**

The Committee discussed the following topics:

• **Parking Deck Speeding** –
  Alan Smith mentioned that NIU PD is having random patrols of the Parking Garage to address speeding.

  Sam Mombou mentioned that NIU Parking Services is considering placing stop signs on each level within the Parking Garage. The locations are to be determined. He mentioned that the flashing lights appear to be too small.

  Dave Scharenberg suggested letting the Electrical Shop in the Physical Plant know about the size of the flashing lights. Dave also mentioned a committee he attended being concerned about texting and driving. He mentioned consistently seeing motorists texting or talking on their phones while driving.

  Sam Mombou mentioned how seeing a wrecked car display of the results of texting and driving influenced him to not text while driving. He mentioned that repetition or information help influence people to learn.

  John Petragallo mentioned using the Northern Star to educate people about the dangers of texting while driving. He suggested also using Title IX training to educate students about texting while driving. He also mentioned that when the weather is nice, the DeKalb Police Department uses random patrols for texting while driving and seat belt violations.

  Alan Smith mentioned that NIU PD conducts traffic stops and issues tickets for texting while driving and talking on the phone while driving. He also mentioned that NIU PD tries to educate people to get them to make informed decisions.

  Laura Beamer mentioned that Windy City Live Host Ryan Chiaverini talks about texting and driving. She wondered if he would do a Public Service Announcement for us if this committee sent him information. This is something for further discussion amongst the committee.

• **Presidential Inauguration (January 20, 2017)** –
  Alan Smith mentioned that NIU PD has not heard of any planned marches for the Presidential Inauguration. However, NIU PD has extra patrols assigned and is preparing as if marches or protests may occur. John Petragallo mentioned that DPD has not heard of any planned marches.
Jeanine Clark Bremer mentioned hearing that some people are riding busses from the Egyptian Theater to Chicago for inauguration events. The cost is $20. No further information was available.

- **March 15, 2017’s meeting** –
  The remaining meetings for this semester are February 15\textsuperscript{th}, March 15\textsuperscript{th}, April 19\textsuperscript{th}, and May 17\textsuperscript{th}. March 15\textsuperscript{th}’s meeting is during NIU Spring Break. Alan Smith asked if there is a desire to have the meeting or to cancel it. Dave Scharenberg suggested polling the committee to see who plans to attend the meeting. Alan Smith said he would send an appointment with this information to the group to see who plans to attend it.

- **Spring 2017 Guidance** –
  Dave Scharenberg mentioned that he attended three different safety committees in which concerns discussed are usually taken care of via work orders. He will follow up with various committees to see if there are concerns to bring to this committee.

  Jeanine Clark Bremer expressed concerns with the location of call boxes in Lot L and Lot K. She was concerned with safety of walking through the lots at night. She stated it was dark due to there being no lights by the Oderkirk House and the Old School House. Alan Smith mentioned that NIU PD checks the call boxes every Tuesday and can do a security survey of the area at night to access safety and lighting concerns. He will follow up with Jeannine Clark Bremer regarding this.

- **Other Committee / Commissions Update**
  There was no information discussed.

5. **Announcements**

Alan Smith mentioned that Jane Elliott is on campus January 18, 2017. She is known for Blue Eyes / Brown Eyes exercise about the anatomy of prejudice and the film “The Eye of the Storm.” Her 6 p.m. event at the Holmes Student Center Carl Sandburg Auditorium is open to public.

Alan Smith mentioned that the MLK March is scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2017. A keynote address by Dr. Leroy Mitchell is at 3:30 p.m. in Altgeld Hall. The march follows the keynote address.

6. The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2017, at 10:30 a.m. in Lowden Hall Room 304.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.