

University Public Safety Oversight Committee (UPSOC) monthly meeting

NOTES

Mar 21, 2024 , 3:00 - 5:00

Richard & Maurine Neuberger Center (RMNC) President's conference room (850) / Zoom

Call meeting to order

- Don called meeting to order at 3:13 PM; quorum was not met

Notes from Co-chairs

- Approve 2/14/2024 meeting notes
 - *Minutes to be approved at next meeting in April due to lack of quorum*

Updates from Campus Police Chief

- Lt. Marcos Jimenez provided updates on behalf of Chief Halliburton
- Recent reports
 - Lt. Jimenez reviewed a sample case with committee (case 2024-217)
 - Incident took place in March 2024 and involved use of a Taser 7, which is issued to all patrol officers as a less-lethal force option
 - Taser includes an initial 5 second burst
 - PSU Police, Portland Police Bureau (PPB), and multiple citizens were involved
 - This call was made to PPB, which didn't become involved until and after CPSO initially responded
 - UPSOC members inquired about other types of mental health interventions/de-escalation training options that could have been implemented
 - According to Lt. Jimenez, Project Response or Portland Street Response would not show up if understanding is a prior assault had been made
 - Lt. Jimenez didn't believe same response could be consistent over time; from his perspective it depends on the officer who shows up and their assessment of type of incident they are responding to, with very little information provided
 - Dispatcher communications lacked additional information and communication
 - CPSO has recently implemented and is now incorporating dispatchers in scenario training
- Updates
 - 4 total vacant positions in CPSO
 - Access control specialist position has been filled; hire date Apr 8
 - 2 new police cars being outfitted with equipment and anticipate deployment in summer
- Active threat training workgroup
 - Updates have been made to Active shooter/active threat webpage, Safe space assessment checklist, and Active threat quick ref guide
 - New emergency procedures to be presented in student orientations instead of only being at department request

New business - UPSOC goals, continued

- Committee review of bylaws
 - *Could not vote on*
- Subcommittee priorities before year-end
 - Recruitment and membership for next year
 - UPSOC members asked if they intend to step down next year
 - Interest in service on application review committee
 - Members asked to consider and let co-chairs know
 - Will be seeking information on who is interested in being on the committee next year

Subcommittee Updates

- Hiring
 - Access Control Specialist hiring (Don)
 - Hiring subcommittee shared comments with Chief after meeting with candidates
- Ongoing question review – meeting next week
 - Closer to getting questions refining
- Incident Review
 - Committee members discussed pausing in interim to evaluate logs and refine criteria for incidents to review

Adjourn

- Don motioned; Michael Smith seconded

Attendees:

- Michael Alexander
- Deb Arthur
- Randy Mishler
- Don Mueller
- Michael Smith
- Wendy Weir