

CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY TASK FORCE

MINUTES

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – Angela Caddell notified the task force that due to impacts of the inclement weather, the planned presentation on navigating conflict to be provided by Timothy Brashier of Practical Preparedness LLC would be rescheduled for the April 2 meeting.

Caddell welcomed members and guests Chad Wiginton, Western Oklahoma State College; Norman Nieves, University of Oklahoma; Jerrod Freeman, Northeastern State University; Bill Knowles, Seminole State College; Chad Brown, Carl Albert State College; Diana Watkins, Northern Oklahoma College; Aaron Collins, Metro Technology Centers; John DeBoard, Cameron University; Monica Trevino and Russell Pool, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Patrick Daglaris, Oklahoma State University; Rick Koontz, University of Oklahoma – Tulsa; Julius Adkins, University of Central Oklahoma; Curtis Stewart, Langston University; and Jarrett Jobe and Sarah Kimball, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

APPROVAL OF NOV. 12, 2024 MEETING MINUTES – Caddell asked task force members to review the minutes of the Nov. 12, 2024 meeting. The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Dr. Jarrett Jobe, OSRHE Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, informed members that several bills of interest in the legislative session, including potential refinements to the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship program and enhancements to campus physical and digital security, were moving through the process. He mentioned several pending bills related to weapons on campus and encouraged the institutions to submit resolutions to maintain the current law. Jobe noted upcoming session deadlines and summarized outcomes of the February Board of Equalization meeting.

ODMHSAS SUICIDE PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP UPDATE – Caddell reminded members that the State Regents' Kognito learning modules partnership with the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, which provided higher education campuses with free access to online suicide prevention training modules, concluded June 30 and that as a new education option, ODMHSAS would provide *Talk Saves Lives* instructor training for campus personnel. Caddell noted numerous institutions had designated campus teams to be trained, and that TSL instructor workshops would be scheduled in March and April 2025.

CAMPUS EMERGENCY MANAGER CONSORTIUM UPDATE – Kimball said the consortium would meet again in March, including a tour of the University of Oklahoma Emergency Operations Center. She reminded members that the consortium is now led by chair Norman Nieves from OU and vice chair Kendra Brown from SWOSU and invited members to reach out with any topic or training suggestions for upcoming meetings.

TASK FORCE RESOLUTION: WEAPONS ON CAMPUS – Caddell reminded members that the task force had issued joint resolutions signed by the Chancellor and the State Director of CareerTech in past years in support of maintaining current law regarding weapons on campus. She shared the draft 2025 resolution and invited task force feedback. Members concurred with the proposed resolution as presented.

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FALL 2025 STATEWIDE SUMMIT UPDATE – Caddell said planning for the fall 2025 summit, which would be held Nov. 12 at the University of Central Oklahoma, was underway. She mentioned several potential session topics, including naloxone administration, human trafficking education, Title IX and Clery Act considerations and reporting, medical triage, trauma informed care, and developing and refining campus emergency operations plans. She said she would once again pursue CLEET accreditation for summit sessions, with a potential emphasis on mental health credits and focused round table discussions. She invited members to recommend additional topics and speakers, including a keynote speaker, and noted the plan to issue a save-the-date and call for proposals in March.

OPEN DISCUSSION – No additional items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.