Campus Safety and Security Task Force

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – Chancellor Sean Burrage welcomed guests and members Chad Wiginton, Western Oklahoma State College; Diana Watkins, Northern Oklahoma College; Ron Ramming, Connors State College; Wendell Godwin, East Central University; Norman Nieves, University of Oklahoma; Scott La Plant, Oklahoma State University – Oklahoma City; Russell Pool, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Joe Batt, Rogers State University; Kendra Brown, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Laura Hutchinson, Oklahoma Panhandle State University; Bill Knowles, Seminole State College; Julius Adkins, University of Central Oklahoma; Michael DeRemer, University of Central Oklahoma; Patrick Daglaris, Oklahoma State University; John DeBoard, Cameron University; Curtis Stewart, Langston University; Nick Buckley, East Central University; David Shannon, Oklahoma Baptist University; Monica Trevino, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Kelly Vongnarath, Carl Albert State College; Dan Piazza, Oklahoma City Community College; P.T. Solinski, Oklahoma City Community College; Chris Tipton, Oklahoma City Community College; Jeana Rae Conn, Rogers State University; and Angela Caddell, Jarrett Jobe, and Emelia Ross, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 2, 2025 MEETING MINUTES – Angela Caddell asked task force members to review the minutes of the April 2, 2025 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 had passed, including those pertaining to the master lease agreement and Oklahoma's Promise. He said that while the higher education operating budget would be flat for the upcoming year, funds were provided for property insurance, Oklahoma's Promise, and acceleration of deferred maintenance allocations, allowing institutions to use the previously approved funding sooner to offset rising construction costs. Jobe also reported that all campus regents appointed by Gov. Stitt had been approved by the Senate, as was State Regent Dennis Casey, who was reappointed for a nine-year term.

CASE STUDY: CAMPUS EVACUATION TRAINING – Lt. P.T. Solinski, Oklahoma City Community College, presented an overview of a fall 2024 campus evacuation drill conducted by OCCC's Office of Emergency Management, which was designed to test, evaluate, and publicize emergency procedures. OCCC holds three drills per year: "Move to Safer Area," for severe weather or tornadoes; "Shelter-in-Place," for lockdown or active threats; and "Evacuation," for incidents such as gas leaks or bomb threats. He outlined the planning and execution process for drills, including advance communications and partnership with facilities management and campus police dispatch, and noted how the Incident Command Team monitors the drill using surveillance and communication systems to provide immediate feedback. Lt. Solinski said he would provide a copy of OCCC's After Action Report for the drill exercise to Caddell for sharing with the task force.

FALL 2025 STATEWIDE SUMMIT UPDATE – Caddell said planning for the fall 2025 summit, to be held Nov. 12 at the University of Central Oklahoma, was ongoing. She noted that topics addressed in submitted session proposals included interacting with individuals on the Autism spectrum, helping campus staff identify connections between suicidal ideation and violent behavior, unifying campus emergency operations and communications teams/plans, suicide prevention and intervention, implementing the Stop Campus Hazing Act, and the roles and responsibilities of dispatchers. She added

that other potential topics for breakout sessions include naloxone administration, sexual assault education, trauma informed care, and developing and refining campus continuity plans. She said the search continues for a keynote speaker – preferably a representative from a campus that has navigated a significant emergency incident – and asked members to reach out with any leads or suggestions.

FY26 TASK FORCE MEETING DATES – Members were asked to review the meeting dates for the coming fiscal year. Caddell said a Zoom option would be available for each meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION – Chancellor Burrage asked if there were any other items for discussion. No new topics were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.