

# Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee

April 30, 2014

## Minutes

Present: J. Artiss, J. Sawasky, R. Ackerman, D. Golodner, K. Kumasi, J. B. Madigan, H. Matthew, R. Pfaff, T.R. Reddy, J. Withey, K-H Yang.

Guest: Chief Anthony D. Holt, VP and Chief of Police

Absent with Notice: I Avrutsky, M. Barnes,

Absent: R. Marback, B. Morrow,

Meeting began at 1:00PM in the Public Safety Office.

### I. CAMPUS POLICING AND TOUR OF STATION:

**Presentation-** Chief Holt began by explaining that because we have an open campus that the WSU police force had responsibilities beyond the campus and was responsible for the entire Midtown area including the surrounding neighborhoods. Today there are 60 officers up from 23 when he became Chief in 2008. All officers are required to have a bachelor's degree, 70% have a master's while several more are working on law degrees and one was formerly a physician. A constant theme that the Chief kept coming back to was service and that his officers understood that they were there to provide a service to the university and surrounding community. The officers patrol by foot, Segway, bicycle, patrol car and four Harley-Davidson motorcycles that are ridden by female officers. The target response time for an emergency call is 90-120 seconds. The officers are instructed to learn the community and its inhabitants. They have received grant funding to send two officers with a healthcare worker out twice a month to look after the homeless and those suffering from mental disorders. They give these individuals what immediate care they can and attempt to get them off of the street. They have three K-9 dogs, two bomb and one drug sniffers reducing the need to clear a building when a bomb threat is called in. The force has its own immediate response team so that in the event of an emergency there is no prolonged wait time. The campus has 312 blue light telephones with speaker capability all of which can be seen by video monitor. This capability allows the officers in the station to encourage "loiterers" to move along and thus preventing bad things from happening. They have worked with C&IT to develop both a Broadcast Message System and a state-of-the-art WSU video surveillance system consisting of 22 PTZ (pan-tilt-zoom) and about 800 stationary cameras including a number of street cameras that the City of Detroit PD did not know they had. License plates and faces around and on the campus can easily be seen. The system is capable of seeing individuals on the roof top of the abandoned train station on the edge of Mexican Village. In order to maintain a quick response their patrols are data driven, that is they look for trends and increase their activity in areas where there has been a sudden increase in

criminal activity. In 2008 70% of their activity was on campus today it is only 32%, the remainder is in the surrounding neighborhoods.

The Wayne State campus is the safest in the State of Michigan and has a lower rate of crime than several of the suburbs. Since their inception no WSU officer has been involved in a shooting.

## **II. Report from the Chair**

The chair reported that the new VP Research will begin in mid-June. He also requested volunteers for a computer/research needs committee that may be set up during the summer. Mr. Ackerman volunteered.

## **III. Approval of Minutes of the March 26, 2014 Meeting.**

- a. Approved as distributed.

## **IV. Old Business**

- a. Heating and Cooling Scott Hall Animal Facilities: Mr. Artiss reported that he had been involved on and off since last September with a concern raised by a researcher over wide temperature swings in the Scott animal facilities. He reported that he had received an e-mail from Mark Allen, Senior Director of Facilities Operations stating: *"Testing of the components serving the 200 Suite is complete. We are analyzing the results and formulating the plan for repairs which is likely to center on the replacing select control valves and installing a new, remotely monitored (and operable) controls system."*, and that he was guardedly optimistic that progress was being made.
- b. New Telephone System: Mr. Sawasky reported that it would be phased in beginning this fall over some number of years as the budget allows.
- c. New e-Mail System: Mr. Sawasky reported that it was the unanimous recommendation of the members of the e-Mail and Collaboration Advisory Committee to migrate to Office 365 and that he was in the process of presenting the committee's recommendation to administration and the Academic Senate (May 7<sup>th</sup>).
- d. Free Parking (for some students): Mr. Sawasky informed the committee that the matter was still being discussed but one idea proposed was for a, "First Time, First Term, Full Time Student Parking" pilot project. The projected cost is estimated to be at least \$300k per term per 1,000 students, a source of which would need to be explored. The Provost was to present the concept to the Cabinet on May 1<sup>st</sup> for their consideration, along with other concepts developed by the Strategic Enrollment Management Committee.
- e. SOM e-Mail Issues: Mr. Artiss reported that he has received a number of complaints from faculty members regarding the SOM e-mail service and that he had compiled these

concerns and forwarded them on to Mr. Sawasky. Mr. Sawasky reported that he had met with Erwin Rauschendorfer, CIO, Medical School and UPG Information Systems and that they had divided all of the concerns into one of three categories; 1) privacy issues between WSU and UPG files, 2) benefits of emeritus faculty, and 3) integration of information systems. Further that they were in the process of getting the right individuals from WSU and UPG together in order to examine current policies and to develop appropriate policies or procedures. There is a policy detailing the privileges of emeritus faculty on the WSU website and Mr. Sawasky promised to forward the link to the chair so that he might pass it along (here's the link: <http://provost.wayne.edu/policies/index.php>). Mr. Sawasky promised to report back to the committee as soon as possible.

#### **V. New Business**

- a. This being the last meeting of the year, the Chair thanked all of the members for their contributions through the year.

#### **VI. Adjournment**