

**Student Life Minutes**  
**November 13, 2002**

**Attending:** Kris Bartanen, Keith Ferguson, Betsy Gast, Duane Hulbert, Diane Kelley, Kurt Walls, Carrie Washburn

The Chair introduced Keith Ferguson, the new student member of the committee.

The Minutes of October 30, 2002 were approved with minor corrections.

Betsy Gast (chair) announced that Todd Badham, Director of Security Services, will be visiting the committee at the next meeting, November 27, making the agenda for this meeting determining the particular questions the committee wishes to ask him.

We first revisited the charge: "Hear from a range of students to gain their perspectives on their experiences in campus residences and relations with campus security."

The committee discussed possible questions to pose to Mr. Badham. It was generally agreed to find out how Security Services views its role *vis a vis* students, find out what policy governs Security personnel's access to student residences on campus, and to ask what the challenges are in working with students. The committee decided on the following list of questions:

- 1) What are the responsibilities of the professional staff?
- 2) What are the responsibilities of the student staff?
- 3) How many students work the night shift?
- 4) What is a typical Friday night, a typical week, for our security staff?
- 5) What is the policy for entering a residence?
- 6) What are particular challenges for security staff? For example, do you find that most students know to call 3311 when they have an emergency?
- 7) How does security see their relationship with students?
- 8) What is security doing to inform students of their role at the university?

It was also agreed that we should send Mr. Badham the Senate charge in order to give context to the request for a meeting with him and the nature of the questions.

Betsy Gast will email the questions to Todd Badham and to the committee.

The discussion then turned to how the committee will arrange to "hear from a range of students . . ."

We discussed various groupings that already exist: Student Senate, Residence Hall Association, residence hall student staff. In addition, the faculty can invite students from their classes. Kris Bartanen will invite students who have expressed concern about the role of security services. She also mentioned that the university participates in a national residential life survey that includes questions on campus safety. We could see what data we can glean from the survey results.

The committee decided to hold two focus groups of 12 students each, one on Tuesday January 28 and the other on Wednesday January 29 from 6:00-7:30 to include dinner. The Dean of Students office will fund the dinners and arrange for the food. Kurt Walls will arrange for a venue. It was agreed that only two members of the committee need be at each session. The committee will develop the questions at a later meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Washburn