COPS Minutes 2-26-09

1:10 Check in: Kt, Jared, Franklin, Steph 1:20 Updates: Jared: Met with Gary Johnson, Head of Security at Library. He is excited that others are interested in increase security at the Library. Johnson informed us that because UCSB is a public university, access to the Library cannot be denied, and a mandatory monitoring system would be against policy. In his experience, having an optional monitoring system is useless because people wont use it; however, wants to be kept in the loop for ideas and possibilities to increase safety and security. Johnson suggests that having a CSO stationed at Library would be difficult to manage/administrate; however, receptive for the idea to add the Library to the rounds of the CSOs. Jared asked students and friends this past week about lighting, and based on his research suggests that increasing / fixing lighting in IV may be a first priority (over directing attn to campus lighting) because greater space and more numerous areas are deficient, unlit, and unsafe.

Franklin: Will meet with CSO contact next week. Will address: Reforming CSO Public Relations, and brainstorm ideas about Library security. Possibilities: Stationed at Library, length and time to be negotiated; Adding Library to rounds, at beginning, and end;

Jared :Idea to organize and pull together safety info for mass distribution. Signs?

1:25 Steph: suggests providing first years with this information, possibly in the form of a key chain. To include: 3 most important numbers? And "COPS. Get Involved."

Franklin: Making and putting up posters or big signs with the same information in high traffic and visible areas such as, Arbor, UCEN, and Library. These places chosen based on high populations, especially at night, when this info may be specifically helpful.

1:30 Steph: Leg Council update. They are receptive to CSO reform.

Kt: Safer Rides Home Program. Co-sponsor with CODA to fund carts so that they may be used doubly: 1) to increase safety for students with temporary and full time different abilities, and 2) for Safer Rides Home to decrease sexual assault, violence, and drunk driving.

Steph: Concerns surrounding: training, cleaning, possible abuse of system? Idea: to hand out water bottles, resource info we are currently gathering, other resources, key chain, etc

1:40 Franklin: suggests creating a pamphlet of info

Jared: Idea to extend the program to OTT and Merc lounge on Holliter (in Goleta) because so many students frequent these spots, and their rides home are compromised.

Kt: Rickshaw possible alternative? Discussion of Allocating 1000 to CODA? Vote taken next week.

1:43 Kt: What info do we want to distribute? Phone numbers. Which? IVFP: 805 681 4179

CSO: 805 893 2000

Dispatch: 805 893 3446. ** Note that this is the fastest and most efficient # for emergencies on and near campus.

Rape Crisis Hotline: 805 569 3696

24 hr Counseling helpline: 805 569 2255

Kt: to design this information in appealing manner.

1: 48 Steph: to research different media for distribution, costs, etc. Ideas? Water, keychain, magnets, posters, flyers, etc?

1:50 Franklin: Idea: Pamphlet for res Halls?

Steph: Distribute during orientation and WOW, give info to O staff, and RHA respectively.

Jared: door hangers?

Safety bag for when residents move in: could include: COPS info, key chain? Pamphlet, and condoms. Condoms as a safety measure.

1:51 Adjourned. Have a great week and good luck on papers!