

DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON SAFETY  
MEETING SUMMARY  
April 19, 2023

**PRESENT:** Don Mueller  
Anthony Parker  
Shawna Baskette  
Nancy Buvinger  
Brandon Flamenco-Medina  
Diane Loera  
Michael Meadors  
Ramona Mellgoza  
Hillary Mennella  
Mayra Radillo  
Joy Senf  
Victoria Vaja  
Paul Vernola

**ABSENT:** Irving Bartikofsky  
Brian Cable  
Timothy Chatman

**GUEST(S):** Luz E. Ocampo  
Meeting Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Don Mueller called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. via ConferZoom.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 15, 2023 MEETING SUMMARY**

The February 15, 2023 minutes were approved. Nancy Buvinger and Brandon Flamenco-Medina both abstained.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF NEW MEMBER**

Don Mueller introduced the new Student Body member, Brandon Flamenco-Medina and welcomed him to the Safety Committee.

**4. NEW RADIOS/MCD/DISPATCH UPDATE**

Don Mueller said that the upgrading for radio systems, for both Campus Police and Facilities is now complete. The coverage is a lot better. Paul Vernola replied that the signal does go further than before. Don Mueller said this is good for safety; can patch all the radios together.

**5. POLICE PERSONNEL & HIRING UPDATE**

Don Mueller reminded us that Donte Green is one of the new officers at Campus Police. they hired a new police officer and his name is Donte Green. The new Captain, Brian Hill, is working out real great and Don Mueller is glad to have the help. Captain Brian Hill is working the evening shift.

**6. GUEST SPEAKERERS**

Brandon Flamenco-Medina mentioned that many students have come to them reporting that at night, for the evening classes, there are many areas that are not lit up and it is very uncomfortable to walk there. One of his colleagues, in the Senate, is drafting legislation to introduce to essentially increase lighting in the darker parts of campus. Brandon Flamenco-Medina also said he introduced this semester, in the ASCC senate, to provide gender neutral locker rooms for our queer athletes and it passed. Another thing that was accomplished and it passed Senate legislation was to allow students to park, in staff parking lots at night for certain hours. This would be from 5:30 pm to 11:00 pm, so that students could park closer to their classrooms and feel safe.

Brandon Flamenco-Medina said he also helped passed legislation for gender neutral bathrooms on campus and it has been implemented. He would like to thank all who were part of this campaign. Esmeralda said that on Cerritos campus that they have a Buddy to walk with them to class. She would like to have an advocate program to help the LGBTQ and support them. Maybe have an ally training week or something. She says that she sees a lot of staff allies but not student allies. Students should be part of it. Don Mueller said he would mention it to the Safe Zone facilitators about opening up allied training to students

**7. NARCAN PLACEMENT & UPDATES**

Hillary Mennella shared her screen with the committee the update to the Student Health website. This is for the placement of Narcan, along with the AED's, on campus. She spoke to Felipe Lopez about buying 10 additional AED's. Hillary Mennella mentioned about AED training through Kinesiology/Health Occupations. Shawna Baskette said she actually connected with Rory Natividad about this but that they are really busy this month. She said that she was going to arrange some training with her Division (Academic Success) employees, possibly in May. Hillary Mennella said there would have to be a Flex Event request for this. Don Mueller asked the committee if they knew what Narcan is. He said all his officers have Narcan on them, for the past 2 years.

**8. MILITARY EQUIPMENT POLICY UPDATE**

Don Mueller wanted to make us all aware with changes in state law and from the Chancellor's office for this year. Basically, all police departments, including community colleges – we have to make public anything that the state is categorizing as military equipment, that is on our campus. There is a list of 45 items and 43 of those 45 we do not carry or have on our campus. We do not see a need or a reason for it. We had a few things on loan that we never used and they were returned back to the Army. We do have two (2) items that the state calls military, even though the military does not use either of them. One of them is the AR 15 patrol rifle and the other one is a 40mm non-lethal plastic weapon.

**9. POLICE PURSUIT POLICY UPDATE**

Don Mueller said he did not have a lot to share on this but he is rewriting the Police Pursuit policy. The policies that we had on this campus, when I got her, were way to expansive; it allowed too much. He will bring it to the committee before it goes to the Board for approval.

**10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

Victoria Vaja asked that will all the Mitel phone acting crazy, has this affected Campus Police at all. Don Mueller said he wished he could say no, but it has. When they go down, the emergency lines roll over to Cal State Long Beaches police department and they call Cerritos Campus police right back. Victoria Vaja asked if it affected the Guardian App and Don Mueller said, No. Brandon Flamenco-Medina said he would like to thank the committee for having him there. If anyone on the committee has anything to pass onto him, please go ahead and contact him.

**11. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2023 via ConferZoom.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.