Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

2018/2019 Annual Report

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PSAC Chair
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The Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) completed its first full academic year cycle with three quarterly meetings and its first annual Public Safety town hall for all UCI community members. At the town hall, Assistant Chief of Police Paul Cooper provided an overview on the body-worn audio/video systems implemented over the summer, explaining their functions and answering questions.

University of California President Janet Napolitano formed the Presidential Task Force on Universitywide Policing to conduct a holistic, environmental scan and review of policing practices on UC campuses. I had the honor of serving on the task force which presented 28 recommendations that addressed matters such as the community complaint process, use of force policies, and community engagement through committees similar to PSAC. I was also appointed to oversee the systemwide implementation progress by each campus along with Elisabeth Gunther, UC Merced chief campus counsel. Stay up to date with task force progress here, https://www.ucop.edu/policing-task-force/.

This year, UCI welcomed Chief of Police Elizabeth Griffin who comes to our campus with 27 years of law enforcement experience from Long Beach Police Department. I look forward to continue working with her, PSAC Chair Carroll Seron, PSAC members, and the Anteater community to ensure the safety of all UCI students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

Sincerely,

Ronald S. Cortez
Chief Financial Officer
Vice Chancellor, Division of Finance and Administration
Message from PSAC Chair

It is an honor to continue to serve as the first chair of the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) along with my dedicated colleagues from all corners of our campus community.

During the fall quarter we spent quite a bit of time assessing UCIPD procedures for managing complaints of alleged misconduct. At the beginning of the winter quarter, President Napolitano’s Presidential Task Force on Universitywide Policing submitted their report, which examines best practices for police-community relations across the UC Campuses. We were fortunate to be represented on the task force by two members of UCI’s PSAC. While this work was in progress, we felt it best to wait to receive these recommendations. Beginning in the fall quarter, we will be taking steps to ensure that our practices align with task force recommendations.

Fortunately, many of the task force recommendations were in the process of adoption at UCI, including one to hold an annual town hall for the campus community—faculty, students, staff and the UHills community. We held our first town hall on May 21, 2019 in the Student Center. Professor Emeritus James Meeker, Interim Police Chief Paul Cooper, CFO and Vice Chancellor Ron Cortez and Vice Chancellor Doug Haynes each made brief remarks then we opened it up to questions from the audience. By all accounts, the town hall was a success and we are now at work scheduling a town hall for winter quarter. Please keep your eye out for a save-the-date and do plan to attend.

As many of you know, Elizabeth Griffin was appointed as the UCI Chief of Police and began her service on May 1, 2019; we were able to welcome Chief Griffin at the town hall and we look forward to continuing to work with her. I should note that the search process was extensive; members of the PSAC interviewed each of the candidates and played an active role in the search.

Please do not hesitate to submit any comments or questions to psac@uci.edu. We very much welcome your comments and feedback.

Sincerely,

Carroll Seron
PSAC Chair
Professor Emerita, School of Social Ecology
Background

The Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) was created in thanks to recommendations put forward by then Academic Senate Chair William Parker in June 2017. The Senate Cabinet endorsed recommendations from the report produced by the ad hoc UCIPD-UCI Community Relations Committee convened by the Academic Senate in Fall Quarter 2016.

Description and Charge

The Public Safety Advisory Committee proactively seeks the advice and counsel from a diverse group of community members regarding issues that impact the safety and quality of life of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the UCI campus and Medical Center.

The Public Safety Advisory Committee serves as a link between the campus community and the UCI Police Department. PSAC provides a forum to discuss and make recommendations on public policies, community outreach, and may participate on hiring panels for key UCI Police Department personnel. The advisory committee produces an annual report which summarizes its activities and includes key data of interest to the campus community, including the number and types of complaints the UCI Police Department receives.
The Public Safety Advisory Committee members represent the diversity of campus stakeholders, including students, faculty and staff of UCI. Members are appointed by the CFO and Vice Chancellor of the Division of Finance and Administration from nominations provided by representative groups.

**Committee Chair**
Carroll Seron – Professor, UCI School of Social Ecology

**Committee Members**
Adisa Ajamu – Director, UCI Center for Black Cultures, Resources, and Research
Karen Andrews – Director, Disability Services Center
Davidian Bishop – Director, LGBT Resource Center
Gwen Black – Director of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action
Joe Brothman – Director, EH&S, UCI Medical Center
Paul Cooper – Assistant Chief of Police, UCI Police Department (ex officio member)
Olga Dunaevsky – Senior Financial Analyst, UCI Henry Samueli School of Engineering
Prince Heto – Council Member, Associated Graduate Students
Merielle Macaraeg – Campus Climate Commission, ASUCI
Jim Meeker – Professor Emeritus, School of Ecology
Megan Morrison – Residence Life Coordinator, Housing
Hobart Taylor – Co-Chair, Homeowner Representative Board (HRB), University Hills
Oscar Teran – Director, UCI Dreamers Resource Center

**Committee Staff**
Mary Clark – Chief of Staff, UCI Division of Finance and Administration
CFO and Vice Chancellor Ron Cortez provided updates regarding the Presidential Task Force on Universitywide Policing with a focus on the current community complaint process.

Interim Chief of Police Paul Cooper presented on the S.A.F.E.R. program created by the UCI Police Department which is designed to foster engagement and responsibility between the UCI Police Department and students, faculty, staff, and visitors. He also reviewed the current community complaint procedure at UCI.

Clery Act Compliance Manager CrystalRae Lugo-Shearer presented on emergency notifications standards and requirements for ZotAlerts, crime alerts, and community advisories.
# Meeting Summary – February 5, 2019

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## Attendees:

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CFO and Vice Chancellor Ron Cortez provided updates on the finalists for the Chief of Police search and next steps in the process. He updated PSAC on the Presidential Task Force on Universitywide Policing recommendations which will be released to the public soon. He announced that PSAC will host the first town hall for the community on public safety.

Interim Chief of Police Paul Cooper announced that Emergency Management Director Randy Styner started in February and ten police officers are to be hired in the next five months. In addition, he demonstrated the body-worn cameras selected by UCOP and announced the body-worn camera system will go live on the UCI campus in summer 2019.

Chair Seron requested feedback on engagement opportunities for UCIPD and the stakeholders represented by each PSAC member.

Due to time constraints, the Presidential Taskforce on Universitywide Policing agenda item was moved to the next PSAC meeting agenda.
**Meeting Summary – May 7, 2019**

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- Carroll Seron
- Adisa Ajamu
- Karen Andrews
- Gwen Black
- Joe Brothman
- Paul Copper
- Olga Dunaevsky
- Prince Heto
- Merielle Macaraeg
- Jim Meeker
- Megan Morrison
- Hobart Taylor
- Oscar Teran
- Mary Clark


Chair Seron announced the speakers and panelists for the upcoming town hall. Professor Meeker presented his overview of the standardization of the complaint process and committee members offered feedback.

The meeting closed by finalizing logistics for the town hall scheduled for May 21.
UCI Police Department Data

UCI Public Safety 2018

COMMUNICATIONS
- Dispatchers received 54,821 inbound calls (Campus & Med.Center)
- 98% of 9-1-1 calls answered within 10 seconds
- 7,133 9-1-1 calls

PATROL RESPONSES
- Police Officers responded to 10,862 calls for service
- 754 crime reports out of 1,478 total reports
- Arrests: 33 felonies, 140 misdemeanors

2,120 TOTAL citations

TRAFFIC
- Officers initiated 1,917 traffic stops
- Only 225 received a citation
- 88% did not receive a citation

TRUE SPIRIT OF THE LAW!

SWORN PERSONNEL
- 84% of UCI Police Officers have a Bachelor's Degree or Higher
- 30% are UCI Grads
- 11% are female

COMPLAINTS
- 2 complaints out of 38,921 contacts for the YEAR

SAFETY ESCORTS
- Community Service Officers conducted 1,126 Safety Escorts
UCI Police Department Complaint Data

Complaints result in an investigation, and complainants are notified of the disposition of the complaint. The conclusions of investigations are based upon a standard of proof that is clear and convincing evidence. The investigation report contains findings regarding each allegation. The possible findings are:

**Unfounded** – When the investigation discloses that the alleged act(s) did not occur or did not involve department personnel. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will be treated as unfounded (Code of Civil Procedure section 128.5 and Penal Code section 832.5(c)).

**Exonerated** – The evidence supports a finding that the alleged acts occurred; however, the conduct was justified, lawful, or proper.

**Not Sustained** – The evidence is insufficient to support a finding that the alleged conduct occurred or violated department policy or procedure.

**Sustained** – The evidence supports a finding that the alleged conduct occurred and that the conduct was improper (e.g., violated department policy or procedure).

Visit UCI Police Department website for links to forms and additional information on filing a commendation or complaint:

**2018 Complaint Data**

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*Data compiled through August 2019.

### Officer-Initiated Contact Data

Officer-initiated activity is defined as vehicle stops for traffic violations, bicycle stops for safety violations, and stops of individuals who are suspected of being involved in criminal activity. Reports are available at the following link: [http://police.uci.edu/police/officer-contact-data/index.php](http://police.uci.edu/police/officer-contact-data/index.php).