

**Chancellor's Task Force on Sexual and Relationship Violence**  
**January 26, 2018**  
**10:00 am - 12:00 noon**

Attendees:

Rebecca Reed Kantrowitz, co-chair	Ashley O'Mara
Diane Lyden Murphy, co-chair	Anjana Pati
Randi Bregman	Jeffrey Pauline
Katelyn Cowen	Abby Perer
Rebecca Dayton	Pam Peter
Herman Frazier	Sarah Scalese
Andy Gordon	Sarah Solomon
Huey Hsiao	Jeffery Stanton
Sheila Johnson	Cory Wallack
Andre London	Barry L. Wells
Bobby Maldonado	Emily Durand
Suzette Melendez	Denise Dowdall, scribe

Minutes from the December 8, 2017 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

Diane Murphy and Rebecca Reed Kantrowitz set the framework for the meeting by commenting on the current national focus on sexual assault and harassment. The Task Force is working to stay on top of these issues on campus, and to that end, relevant statistics will be shared with the group, who are instructed to keep them confidential. They acknowledged the work that the Health and Wellness directors and Sheila Johnson did to prepare the presentation.

Guests Michelle Goode, Health Promotion Specialist from the Office of Health Promotion, and student peer advisor, Rachel Saunders ('18), briefed the Task Force on Take Back the Night, which takes place on March 28, and informed the group of ways to be involved and support the effort.

The Task Force will buy tee shirts for the group to wear when attending events over the spring semester, and the group will be given pins to wear identifying them as members the Chancellor's Task Force.

Abby Perer gave an update on Office of Civil Rights cases.

The original case is still ongoing and we are talking to the complainant to see if we can come to some agreement.

We have two other cases that are complaints by alleged perpetrators that the University did not handle their cases correctly.

Perer will work with News Services to share appropriate communications about the cases as they move forward.

This prompted a discussion about challenges with the media and assuring that stories are accurate and not sensationalized. The group decided to invite Dara Royer, the new Senior Vice President and Communications Officer, to a future meeting.

Barry L. Wells reported that the Chancellor has engaged Don McPherson as a consultant to assess and advance sexual assault and relationship violence prevention programming on campus, particularly focused on engaging men on campus and promoting healthy relationships.

McPherson, an SU alumnus and former All-American quarterback, is a national leader and advocate for the prevention of sexual and domestic violence. He has conducted workshops and lectures for more than 250 college campuses, community organizations and national sports and violence prevention organizations. He is a member of the NCAA Commission to Combat Campus Sexual Violence. He has also collaborated with Vera House.

Jeff Stanton reported that the Assessment Committee met this week and they are launching two parallel studies this spring as a follow up to the Campus Climate Survey.

They are doing two studies so they can have an open survey process and also reach a targeted sampling. The committee is assuring that the two-pronged process complies with Enough is Enough legislation requirements.

Pam Peter gave an update on the Policy and Procedures Committee, which is examining the complaint and adjudication process.

Rebecca Reed Kantrowitz reported on the Communication Committee.

The committee is supporting efforts to market the upcoming climate study.

She pointed out that we have added News Services staff to the Task Force meeting so that we can assure that information is communicated to the campus community.

Sheila Johnson and Cory Wallack shared data regarding activity in their respective departments. Other directors were scheduled to also share statistics but have been tabled until the next meeting due to lack of time. Bobby Maldonado distributed the 2017 Safety and Security Report.

There was discussion about making a recommendation to the Chancellor about how and what data to make public. Barry Wells commented that the Chancellor has already given approval to release non-confidential data. Andy Gordon said that the experts in the group should make recommendations so the Task Force can make a collective decision about what to recommend for release to the SU community.

Meeting ended at 11:53am