

Violence Prevention Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2013
Harper Center 2066
1:00 PM

I. Current Events

- a. [Open Letter](#)- Tufts
 - i. Reviewed open letter from Tufts University students which outlined deficiencies for reporting sexual assault and education around sexual violence within the college. One of the major concerns listed in the letter was the need for a one stop place for reporting. Tufts alumni, students, faculty, and staff have the ability to sign the letter online.
- b. [Open Letter](#)- UConn
 - i. UConn student wrote an open letter to the university's first female president regarding the rebranding of the athletic logo in order to change the image of the athletic department. The letter cited the arrest record of a few athletes charged with domestic violence and asked why changing the image of athletics didn't include a zero-tolerance for sexual violence.
- c. [Bystander intervention](#)- Cleveland, Ohio
 - i. Neighbors said in initial reports to the media that they called the police regarding Ariel Castro's home. The police have said no calls were made and neighbors recanted saying they thought about calling or noticed small items but never said anything. The group discussed the role of bystander intervention in this case.
- d. Dr. Dickel said a group of his students from the Violence in America class went to *The Invisible War* screening at Aksarben Theater. The film is on sexual assault in the military and the film generated great discussion among his students. They are more interested in looking at other sexual assault or violence cases at universities to see how administration covers up cases.
- e. Dr. Winegard also mentioned a [recent article](#) in the NY Times about Boys will be Boys and Allison will send it out.

II. Prevention Education

- a. Sexual Assault Awareness Month Recap
 - i. Awareness tables, buttons, posters
 1. There was a small campaign effort with students from the Lieben Center to do awareness about sexual assault, buttons were made and handed out and posters were also put up. Teal pinkies were painted to remind them to do Green Dots and also to create a conversation with others.

- ii. Sexual Violence Panel Discussion- CSW program
 - 1. The panel discussion went really well and the bystander rewind video [“Who Are You”](#) created quality discussion around personal obstacles to intervening, small steps one can take, and what defines consent. Some of Dr. Dickel’s students attended and their response was “They thought it was about time this conversation happened” and the video addressed how easy it was for someone to intervene.
 - 2. Office of Equity and Inclusion presentations- what would you like to see more education on?
 - a. Allison asked the group if anyone had other topics related to sexual violence they would like to see addressed for lunch and learns. Some members mentioned having more conversation around the male perspective and what to do if their friend is the one with the concerning “red dot” behavior.
- b. Green Dot Training
 - i. July 26 staff/faculty training
 - 1. Interested? Email Allison
 - a. Additional suggestions were made to open this training up to some community members (e.g. College of St. Mary’s, High Schools)
- c. Green Dot Fall 2013
 - i. Allison gave an update as to some of the fun programs Green Dot is working on for fall. Ideas include Wheel of Fortune, Lip Sync or Don’t Forget the Lyrics, Family Feud, etc. There will also be a fall poster campaign at the beginning of school entitled “My Green Dot is...”

III. University Policies

- a. [Harassment, Discrimination and Grievance](#)
 - i. Dr. Winegard highlighted the new Harassment, Discrimination and Grievance policy and indicated that Creighton will be following the Civil Right Investigation model. There will be a firm 60 days to resolution and there will be well trained investigators gathering facts and giving a recommendation for resolution. This will eliminate previous hearing boards for issues of harassment and discrimination.
 - ii. On October 10th and 11th Creighton will be hosting an ATIXA Title IX investigator training. Select individuals from campus will be trained as investigators. If you know anyone on campus who would be good in the role of investigator, please forward those names to Tanya. There will also be a need for trained Advocates and Advisors, more info to come in future meetings.
- b. [Children and Vulnerable Adults](#)
 - i. This policy is new to Creighton and addresses many of the groups we host at the university in our facilities. Dr. Winegard explained some of the changes included a notification form for groups working with children and vulnerable adults, mandatory background checks, and annual training.
- c. [Mandatory Reporters](#)

- i. This new policy identifies faculty and exempt staff as mandatory reporters. There was a question about non-exempt staff and it was clarified that all employees are encouraged to report, but those employees who are seen in an authority role are required to report incidents of harassment and discrimination.

IV. Next meeting: **June 13 at 1pm, Harper 3029 (Note room change)**

V. Adjournment