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## Campus Sexual Violence Prevention Task Force Meeting #12

**October 20, 2016****9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.****The Evergreen State College, Olympia WA**

### Attendees:

Kim Anderson, Washington State University; Bruce Marvin, Washington State Office of the Attorney General; Amanda Paye, University of Washington; Sue Guenter-Schlesinger, Western Washington University; Richard DeShields, Central Washington University; Luca Lewis, Whatcom Community College; Chelsea Lamberson, Eastern Washington University; Kelly Schrader and Colleen Rust, The Evergreen State College; Joe Holliday, Washington State Board for Community & Technical Colleges; Paul Francis and Darshan Robertson, Council of Presidents; Mona Johnson, Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction; Evan Klein, Senate Higher Education Committee; Megan Mulvihill, House Higher Education Committee; James Crandall, Senate Majority Coalition Caucus; Elissa Goss, Washington Student Association (WSA); Andrea Piper-Wentland, Kat Monusky, and Kelley Amburgey-Richardson, Washington State Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs (WCSAP); and Chair John Vinson, Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC).

### Managing Campus Climate Survey Results

There was a discussion about how to include survey results in the final report, since each college or university/sector is using different survey instruments, and some surveys have not yet been conducted.

To help with summary formatting, Joe will share a template which outlines the reporting requirements of SB 5518.

It was suggested that there be an introductory statement, followed by summaries from each sector. Summaries will not draw firm conclusions, but can suggest themes, like student knowledge of reporting procedures. It was also suggested that there be a collective section on the challenges encountered by institutions before and after implementing the surveys.

For institutions that have yet to conduct their surveys, their summary sections will include preliminary work and any conclusions drawn from their work on past surveys. Summary information should be sent to COP by November 2.

### Subcommittee Updates

In addition to subcommittee recommendations, COP requested that each group provide a summary of their work that shows how they arrived at their recommendations.

Campus Climate Assessment – This update was covered in the previous discussion about managing survey results.

Advocate Confidentiality – The group has completed their work but will be revising some of the language in their recommendations.

Student Conduct Process – The group has completed their work and recommendations. At the request of Task Force members, COP will organize a phone call to discuss these recommendations with the public baccalaureate VPs of Student Affairs and the AG's office.

Prevention – The group is still working on formatting its final recommendations, which will be broad and evidence-based. A funding request will not be part of the recommendations, but will follow at a later time.

There was a discussion about the differences between the coalition recommended by this subcommittee and the [Washington Sexual Violence Prevention College Coalition](#) (WSVPCC). Kelly noted that the groups would have distinct and separate functions, and that the recommended coalition would function similar to the Task Force. WSVPCC and the [Northwest Association of Title IX Administrators](#) (ATIXA) will be included as resources in the final report.

Criminal Justice System Workgroup – Natalie, who chairs this group, was unable to participate at the meeting, but was in contact with COP prior to and after the meeting.

MOU – There was a discussion about the challenges faced by institutions when working with their local law enforcement agencies.

Suggestions for addressing the issue included creating a consortium of neighboring two- and four-year institutions which could have more clout in negotiating with law enforcement, and creating multidisciplinary teams of campuses, advocates, and law enforcement and their council.

WCSAP voiced concerns that MOUs may create confidentiality issues. Students might report to local law enforcement because they don't want campus involvement. It was agreed that the report will highlight the need for ongoing development of MOUs because of these and other concerns.

Bruce will provide a summary for the report which will recommend ways to move forward with respect to MOUs.

## **Summaries of Currently Implemented Efforts & Estimated Costs**

There was a discussion about how to include the costs of sexual violence prevention and response efforts in the report.

There is not always clear evidence of the costs, such as when the roles of roles Title IX Coordinator and ADA Coordinator are combined into one position. It was agreed that a summary of estimated costs be created for different levels of prevention and response, beginning with the costs of compliance alone. The summary will include the costs of outside resources, such as bystander training, and average salary information for personnel, which may be obtained from the College and University Professional Association for Human Resources (CUPA-HR). COP will compile and distribute the summary for review.

There was also a discussion about which efforts are funded by student fees, and which are funded by state dollars. WSA Executive Director Elissa Goss reiterated their support for decoupling student fees from tuition because they believe certain prevention and response efforts should qualify as core services.

## **Approval of Final Task Force Recommendations**

The following recommendations were approved by the Task Force:

### Campus Climate Assessment Subcommittee

- \*Continue assessment (e.g. surveys, focus groups, and other measures) efforts and jointly report to policymakers every three years with a campus climate update.
- Detail estimates of past and future assessment costs (including surveys).
- Build holistic assessments that comprehensively address the needs of special populations and are tailored to an individual’s affiliation with the institution. This includes but is not limited to specific populations such as students with disabilities, students under age 18, and GLBTQ students.

### Advocate Confidentiality Subcommittee

- \*Add a new chapter to state statute (RCW 28B) regarding communication between sexual violence survivors and victim advocates.

### Student Conduct Process Subcommittee

- Institutions of higher education are encouraged to adopt policies regarding the disclosure of disciplinary actions to other institutions in instances where a transferring student has been expelled or suspended for misconduct that poses a significant risk to the campus community.
- \*Exempt student conduct proceedings in institutions of higher education from the Administrative Procedures Act in state statute (RCW 34.05).
- \*Adopt due process standards specifically applicable to college student conduct proceedings.

### Prevention Subcommittee

- Funding for campus prevention education must be adequate.
- Prevention education efforts on campuses must be evaluated for effectiveness.
- Pursue opportunities to increase prevention and education opportunities in K-12 schools that involve input from higher education and other stakeholders (such as a K-20 task force).
- Establish and fund ongoing opportunities for program and professional development (training twice per year on best practices; teams of prevention leaders).

### Criminal Justice Subcommittee

- Make relevant training more available for police, prosecutors, and judicial officers.
- Promote regional communication through the expanded and robust use of Sexual Assault Regional Teams (SARTs).
- Explore expansion of the innovative “[You Have Options](#)” Program.
- Promote Offender-Focused and Victim-Centered Prosecution.

- Educate juries through the use of local expertise.

Special Populations Subcommittee

- Encourage further institutional efforts to research and comprehensively address prevention and response efforts for specific populations such as students with disabilities, students under age 18, and GLBTQ students.

MOU Subcommittee

- No further action.

\*Items to be included in 2017 legislation