


February 28, 2021

TO: Jason Stajich, Chair  
Academic Senate

FROM: Philip Brisk, Chair   
BCOE Executive Committee

RE: Campus Safety Task Force Draft Report and Recommendation

Dear Jason,

The BCOE Executive Committee reviewed the Campus Safety Task Force Draft Report and Recommendations. The Committee feels that this report is a reasonable starting point; however, the Committee cautions that while the plan is strategic, it is somewhat high-level and lacks a clear operational component. The proposed reforms will be ineffective unless they are implemented through a continuous improvement process that includes clear metrics for success, planned assessments to determine if the reforms and interventions are successful, and the opportunity for intervention when success has not been achieved. In many respects, an effective implementation would be similar to the continuous improvement requirement for ABET accreditation for Engineering degree programs. BCOE has expertise with these processes and can help advise on their implementation.

The Committee also noted what seems to be a slight disconnect between the Chancellor-appointed standing committee or workgroup that will produce annual/biannual updates (Theme 1C) and the assessment process based on at least five years of data (Theme 2B). The oversight process would be more effective if data was analyzed annually (with the option to stage an intervention, if needed), and aggregated every five years.