



Minutes of WKU Safe Community Leadership Coalition Meeting

November 19, 2013, 2:00pm – 3:00pm MMTH 219

Attendance: Anita Britt, EHS; David Oliver, EHS; Cynthia George, EHS; Kathy Penick, EHS; Stephen Rey, IMREC Sports; Jennifer McLeod, DFM; Jennifer Tougas, PTS; Wade Pinkard, Employee Wellness; Stacie Sutter, Health Services; Brandon Higgins, HR; Bob Austin, EHS; Elizabeth Madariaga, Counseling & Testing Center; Rafael Casas, PD; and Steve Briggs, HRL

Coalition members introduced themselves. David Oliver presented a slideshow about “What is a Safe Community” and why WKU is pursuing the designation. Stephen Rey asked if we are going to tie in the regional campuses. David Oliver agreed to include regional campuses. Attendees agreed on a name for the coalition as WKU Safe Community Leadership Coalition.

Future goals for the coalition were discussed.

- Establish Task Groups by utilizing existing partnerships. Task Groups currently include Pedestrian Safety, Drug and Alcohol Prevention, Emergency Preparedness and Campus Partners
- Goal to sustain Safe Communities program designation by maintaining current safety programs, partnerships and seeking re-designation after 5 years
- Discussion of collaborating in the future after WKU designation with the city and county to seek designation

Discussion ensued about additional coalition members such as Athletics, Risk Management, Veterans Affairs, and the Office of Diversity. Rafael and Anita will extend an invitation to participate. David discussed how the EHS student employee has reached out to Student Activities to participate in the designation process.

The application procedure was discussed and coalition members were asked to submit from their respective areas requested information with photos on the university shared drive Safe Communities folder by the end of the semester.

Next meeting date will be determined at the beginning of the spring semester.