Sexual Violence Prevention Committee
MINUTES
March, 19th, 2014
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Present: Vicki Morrissette, Chair; Nicki Berg-Burin; Allie Canoy, CVIC; Lacey Dahlen; Jessica Rudnik; Amber Flynn; Laurie Freid; Lexie Hanson; Jackie Hoffarth, Administrative Assistant; Annette Larson; Renee Mabey; Kay Mendick; Marcia Mikulak; Don Rasmuson; Bonnie Solberg; Lori Swinney; Kyle Thorson

Absent: Sarah Borgen; Stacy Bjorlie; Rhandi Clow; Scott Dunbar; Julie Evans; Daniella Irle; Nicole Giordano; Eileen Nelson; Peter Johnson; Alyssa Walker

1. Welcome and Introductions
   • Allie Canoy was introduced as new member: Allie is going to be present as a representative for CVIC for Keri Kerr. Allie is part of the new CVIC Community Action Team. Keri will still be a committee member.

2. Approval of minutes, announcements
   • Minutes from last meeting will be approved at next meeting.
   • Amber Flynn, Sexual Violence Coordinator is at conference for NASAA: She will be attending sections on bystander training and Title IX; will share information learned with group at later date.
   • Lori and Don shared events coming up to raise funds for CVIC with committee.

3. We now have a new Title IX/ Affirmative Action Officer. Donna Smith will be beginning mid April.

4. Website feedback: Committee reviewed rough draft of the anonymous reporting form focusing on sexual violence that would be included on webpage. Members provided feedback including the following:
• Concerning the question on whether alcohol was involved in the incident: Most felt that the question should be removed as it might intimidate a reporter who fears getting in trouble for alcohol consumption or not being believed due to intoxication. Members noted that the reporter could decide to include in description if so inclined or could be a question used during follow up investigation instead.

• Form needs consistent language. This includes whether the term “victim” or “survivor” is used throughout the form. Suggestions included providing a link to what the word means as a person may not be in a place to know if they are a “victim” or not.

• Use “How are you involved in the incident?” instead of asking if the person is the victim/survivor.

• Do we need options for identifying the type of incident being reported?

• Include a privacy statement so those using the form will know who has access to the information on the form and how the information is protected. If using data for any research, we must look into how that information should be included in this section.

• Provide a link at the end of the form for information on available services. This should include the importance of seeking medical attention after an incident. Both UND and community resources should be included.

• Be sure the language and questions are survivor focused and not perpetrator focused.
  - We may want to divide the form into two sections so that specific perpetrator information is separate.
  - Use language such as “what you remember” as many may not remember all details right away. Suggestions can be offered (tattoos; clothing etc) to help reporter instead of directly asked.

• Can we have the site be protected so that those in fear can click to clear the website from their history? Frank will look into this.

Any additional suggestions should be emailed to Amber Flynn.
5. UND Sexual Violence Prevention Logo: Jackie (for Amber F.) provided examples of logos that might be used so that there is a consistent visual that an event, brochure, flyer etc is being provided by UND’s Sexual Violence Prevention Committee and/or Sexual Violence Prevention Coordinator.

- Discussion by members resulted in decision to not decide on any presented logo. Instead suggestion was made to create awareness through a student competition. Students can help design a logo while being made aware of UND’s focus on sexual violence prevention. Amber and DOS would need to come up with parameters for logo. Lacey will let Amber know of committee decision and discuss this possibility.