Committee on Sexual Violence Prevention
MINUTES
November 20, 2014
8:30 -10:00 a.m.
River Valley Room; MU

Present: Vicki Morrissette, Chair; Amber Flynn, Coord. SVP; Nikki Berg-Burin; Maggie O’Leary; Alyssa Walker; Jackie Hoffarth, Admin. Asst.; Laura Sonnek; Stacy Bjorlie; Lexi Hanson; Annette Larson; Dawn Gallardo; Brett Johnson; Eileen Nelson; Lori Swinney; Bonnie Solberg; David Adams; Linda Neuerburg; Don Rasmuson; Lacey Erickson; Allie Canoy Illies; Kari Kerr, CVIC; Donna Smith, Title IX; Kay Mendick
Absent: Julie Evans; Laurie Freid; Renee Mabey

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements
   • Joe Miller, Director of the Clinical Psych Program on campus, along with two doctoral students presented information on a clinic for survivors of sexual assault on campus. The Psychological Services Center for Survivors of Sexual Assault and Violence is located in 210 Montgomery Hall and is open to the community. They offer evidence based individual and group therapy for survivors who are experiencing PTSD/trauma. Fees are five dollars for students/faculty and income based for all others. Committee members were given brochures and contact information for referrals.
   • Kari shared information on a new CVIC focus group for survivors that can provide feedback on system response beginning December 18th; Committee members were emailed flyers.
   • Nikki- shared that she had spoken with a number of students who expressed fear walking alone in the dark on campus. She noted this was especially a concern this time of year with the shorter daylight hours and finals requiring odd hours on campus for most undergraduate students. She suggested looking into campus peer escort services again.
     - Don can visit with Chief Plummer on this issue as he believed it had been a subject of interest last year. Note: UPD does offer escort services and we should encourage students to use it. Also noted any such service would require background checks and one male and one female escort at all times.
     - Lacey – suggested Housing might be a good place to start such a program.
     - Amber – would like to have this be something revisited through subcommittee work and more student feedback.
   • Jackie and Kay: reported on Clothesline Project from October – computer surveys went well with approximately 825 surveys completed; QR codes (digital handouts) had a positive student response; two shawls were made this year with hopes this will increase as word about the option spreads from year to year; speaker was well received for Take Back the Night rally; and there was good attendance for the march this year.
- Pilot study on offenders going through the project was done by Jackie and two others in social work; Jackie can update members at later date with any findings.

- Bonnie: There will be a Title IX SRC training at 3pm with Donna Smith. Contact MU Admin. Office.

- Kari: Task Force training on Dec. 4th; 6th floor of county building from 12-1:30pm.

- Donna: Affirmative action website should be up and running; invited feedback from the committee on any changes/additions or suggestions.
  - Committee members asked about CVIC advisor: new date for start-up is December 15th but may change. Advisor will be located in O’Kelly room 4 with hours to be determined; Advisor will be CVIC employed but UND funded. Maggie noted that she is hearing very positive feedback from students on having an advocate on campus.

2. Updates

- Campus Clarity: Amber reported that as of October 29th 89% of students completed (transfer students ages 17-24 and incoming freshman), that is about 1,681 students. For those that did not complete there were about 200 freshmen holds and 55 transfer student holds. Will report in the spring regarding data gathered through it.
  - The program is designed to give students “boosters” at 3-4 month and the 6-9 month marks post initial completion. This is voluntary and is much shorter than the first one (about 20 minutes). Amber noted they are hoping to give students an incentive for doing the boosters through drawings. Committee members gave feedback on what students would like. Suggestions included: GoPros, Chromecast, and gift cards for airline tickets.

- Brochures/Posters: Committee reviewed and provided feedback.
  - Annette: suggested including the Psych Service Center group for survivors in Montgomery Hall to the resources.
  - Lori: digital signage could be a place for information to be presented on campus; would need alternative (limited wording) format.
  - Donna: suggestion to have info on channel 3

3. Subcommittee Updates: Members are encouraged to be on one subcommittee. Contact Amber to join a group.

- Training/Education Subcommittee: Still looking to complete a faculty/staff resource guide with department poster and staff trainings
  - Suggested magnets for staff/faculty that could have a quick checklist when speaking with students (key words such as Safety, Reporting; Referral) and student rights list for faculty.

- Policy: Looking at policy gaps; making sure that language is student friendly
  - Donna: Noted that Chief Plummer was at a conference and was made aware that several campuses are using UND policy language as a guide for their institutions.
• Outreach/Engagement: developing marketing plan and assessment plan for prevention

4. Green Dot
• Amber: Staff who attended the training include Amber, Jen Schoenecker, Health and Wellness, Alyssa Walker, Student Involvement, and Laura Sonnek, Athletics. The hope is for Green Dot to go live in the Fall 2015 semester with pilot trainings to occur before that with some students. Amber will present to this committee in January 2015 so members will have a clearer understanding of what will be presented to others and can answer questions about the Green Dot program.
  - Kay: Questioned if there are any male facilitators currently. Amber and Vicki noted that there currently are no males trained as facilitators in this initial group, but men are encouraged to participate
  - It was suggested that Green Dot could be a program expanded into the community such as with CVIC and the local high schools; Amber noted that they will send a consultant for a flat fee to train
  - Also noted by Amber was that the program is evidence based, for example, a CDC 3-5 year study noted that it reduced perpetrator behavior by 50% in a (high school) group in Kentucky.
  - Any additional questions about the program can be emailed to Amber.

5. Term Limits: Vicki noted there was some mention of whether we should have term limits for the committee members. Currently there are none, however the committee has changed as some members have left due to other obligations.
  • Committee agreed to keep no term limits for now
  • Vicki also noted that although the Women’s Center and other centers moved to academic services, Sandra Mitchell would like to keep the centers on the committee. Committee agreed.

6. Other comments/concerns
• Annette: Noted she was still confused on best place to refer a student who has had a sexual assault when it comes to counseling services; which option is best for what situation?
  - Allie noted that it might be the difference between crisis or treatment. For example: was this a new incident or past trauma?
  - Donna: it would be beneficial to have a resource page for providers. This will be given to the training and education subcommittee to address.

CSVP Committee Meeting schedule for 2014-2015

- January 22 - 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Badlands Room, MU
- March 5 - 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Badlands Room, MU
- April 30 - 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - TBD