

**MINUTES
PRESIDENTS TASK FORCE ON GREEK LIFE SUBCOMMITTEE III
OCTOBER 25, 2017**

Verge Ausberry, Athletics Department Representative and Chair, called to order the meeting of the President's Task Force on Greek Life Subcommittee III in the LSU Student Union Tchoupitoulas Room 452 on October 25, 2017 at 5:05 p.m.

Stephanie Tomlinson, Executive Assistant, called the roll.

PRESENT

Verge Ausberry, Athletics Department Representative, Chair
Mari Fuentes-Martin, Dean of Students
Ken McMillin, Faculty Senate President
BJ Billeaudeau, Kappa Sigma House Corporation Representative
Camille Flint, Residence Hall Association President
Jason Badeaux, Student Government President
Rob Stuart, Chair, Ex-Officio
Dan Layzell, Vice Chair, Ex-Officio

ABSENT

None absent

Also present for the meeting were the following: Carlton "Trey" Jones, Managing Attorney in the LSU Office of General Counsel; Stephanie Tomlinson, Executive Assistant to the LSU Board of Supervisors; and Hannah Rovira, Coordinator in the Office of the LSU President.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments made at the meeting.

1. Review of Sub-Committee Scope

Review University governance and oversight of other student organizations and groups (including intercollegiate athletics) that engage in induction and education-related activities for new members, and make recommendations regarding changes to current policies and practices as necessary.

Verge Ausberry, Athletics Department Representative and Chair, mentioned his meeting with LSU Campus Life and began a brief review of the Registered Student Organization Handbook. He made note that there are 444 student organizations and that they differ from the Greek system. Verge questioned communication, and how we monitor and handle reported incidents as a University. He requested the mission of different organizations and wanted to know how it runs with the University mission.

Mari Fuentes-Martin, Dean of Students, informed the group that student organizations must re-register annually. This assures that the organizations leadership is check and current, and that risk management and advisors are re-trained. Dan Layzell, Ex-Officio and Vice Chair of the Task Force, asked Mari how often the Student Organization Handbook is revisited and she responded saying it was updated yearly.

Verge Ausberry discussed the safety educational efforts of the athletes. He said an outside consulting group comes in to train everyone including all staff, teams, and coaches. In this training, there is role play on how to tackle various situations as it related to safety. He then discussed the process of a reported complaint and the committee formed to hear these complaints. Jason Badeaux, Student Body President, asked the process of the reports. Verge answered, saying the reports are brought to the University starting with HR then to the Dean of Students. Ken McMillin, Faculty Senate President, asked if there was an annual report to document complaints. Verge responded saying yes, an annual report is made by HR. BJ Billeaudeau, Kappa Sigma House Corporation Representative, asked how hazing was handled within the Athletic Department. Verge said that is handled by the Dean of Students, General Counsel, and the Police.

Verge proceeded to discuss the Student Host Forms to inform the group of the responsible behavior required during the recruitment process, in addition to all NCAA, SEC, and LSU regulations.

BJ Billeaudeau, Kappa Sigma House Corporation Representative, asked about the interaction between the Campus Life and the Greek Life offices. Mari Fuentes-Martin, Dean of Students, stated that the Greek Life office has more policies and procedures.

Rob Stuart, Ex-Officio and Chair of President's Task Force, asked if Sports Clubs would fall under Athletics or Student Organization. Verge responded, saying club sports are a student organization and would not have their complaints or incidents reported to the Athletic Department. Rob then asked who does the accountability for organizations such as sports clubs and Mari Fuentes-Martin answered Campus Life.

Mari Fuentes-Martin asked Verge Ausberry what the most common violation for student athletes. His answer was drugs and Title IX issues. BJ Billeaudeau followed that question, wondering what the most frequent violation was within other student organizations. Mari responded with a few examples such as Title IX, Residential Life violations, and academic violations.

Mari Fuentes Martin mentioned there have been no recent charges in Bands or ROTC but that does not mean violations are not occurring.

Dan Layzell asked for more information on Sports Club discipline.

2. Timeline of Process

Verge stated the committee will reach out to the Band, ROTC, Campus Life, UREC, and Athletics compliance for information on their procedures and protocols.

3. Discussion of Resources & Research

BJ noted all students and student organizations converge in the accountability process through Student Accountability & Advocacy office and suggested compiling the data for trends. Mari commented majority of the violations for student organizations are Greek organizations due to the size and visibility of the organization. BJ asked for the Greek accountability data as well.

Camille mentioned a Residential Life conduct representative could speak about their processes and procedures as well.

BJ asked about violations on game day and Mari said the biggest concerns are dehydration, intoxication, and illegal substances at the gate. Rob and BJ stated tailgating used to be at the fraternity houses and asked why it moved to parade ground. Camille mentioned they are unofficial tailgates and aren't marked as being affiliated with an organization.

Trey Jones commented there are themes related to the policies and enforcement for the Subcommittee to explore.

BJ commented he would like to hear from the alumni & leadership of the Greek organizations and what are the national policies on local policing.

Ken stated we have to be careful with police and policies so we are not moving the behavior underground.

4. Other Business/Next Meeting

The next meeting is November 1, 2017 at 5:00 PM in the Tchoupitoulas 452 room in the LSU Student Union.

5. Adjournment

Upon motion of Verge Ausberry, seconded by Mari Fuentes-Martin, the Subcommittee meeting was adjourned.