

Police Advisory Committee Meeting  
March 10, 2004

Lucinda Aborn    Rocky Bonura    Michael D'Amico    Patricia Gebert     
Barbara Grover    Kirk Johnston    Leo Middleton    Terry Newman  
 James Rozolis    Angie Snider    Dal Toruno    Harold Tyler  
 Shaun Roberts - ASO Representative

The meeting started at 1:34 pm.

Dr. Lucinda Aborn, who replaced Dr. Gloria Miranda, was introduced as a new member of the committee. The minutes of the November 12, 2003 were approved as written.

Current Police Department Personnel Status Update

Four police officer positions and one dispatch clerk position are still vacant at the police department. After March 15, 2004, it will be determined whether one police officer position can be filled.

Recent Noteworthy Crime Incidents

The police department received a 9-1-1 telephone call regarding a boyfriend and girlfriend in a physical altercation. Upon the officers' arrival, they observed the male suspect still beating and choking his former girlfriend. The subject was arrested and charged with imprisonment, battery, and robbery. Both were ECC students.

The police department received a call regarding two male subjects involved in a fight. It appears that one subject used either a small knife or razorblade to slash the bottom earlobe of the victim. The subject was arrested and charged with mayhem and fighting on school grounds.

There has been a significant increase in medical aid calls involving the use of drugs and alcohol.

An El Camino College District trainer found a subject wedged under a car. Investigation revealed that the subject was under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol and was transported to the hospital.

A 14-year old female was the victim of a violent assault and attempted kidnapping near the campus. The suspect approached the victim and attempted to pull her into his vehicle. The victim fought back, and in the struggle, the suspect struck the victim with a tire iron. The suspect is still outstanding. The Torrance Police Department called El Camino requesting assistance in this matter, as they thought the suspect may have been a student because of a math book that was seen inside the vehicle by the victim. A check of the campus for the vehicle matching the description proved negative.

Only two officers were available, and the lack of staffing made it difficult to respond to all of the simultaneous calls for service.

### Grant Application Update

The police department submitted two grant applications. One was to the Office of Traffic Safety. This grant would enable the police department to implement a traffic safety program, which would include an electronic message board that shows the speed of a vehicle. It will also enable El Camino Police Department to put its own advisory message for special events, construction projects, etc.

The second grant was to Homeland Security for \$28,000. Homeland Security received a large number of grant applications, and unfortunately the police department's grant application was denied.

### Parking Update

The Spring 2004 semester is the first semester where parking is impacted. As of today, March 10, 2004, which is already the fourth week of the semester, parking on Tuesdays and Thursdays is still impacted.

Cosmetology patrons are allowed to park in designated stalls at Lot C. If those stalls are filled, the patrons can park in the 40-minute visitors parking at Lot D with a valid visitor's parking permit issued by Cosmetology.

### Security Report – Bond Project

Mike D'Amico met with representatives from Vantage Tech Consultant Group and discussed parking structure and security issues. Ideas were submitted for cameras, alarms, etc. As soon as draft copy of the report is available, it will be brought to the committee for review.

### Enhancements to Video Equipment in the Police Facility

When the police department was built, video cameras were installed, however, audio recording capability wasn't included. The department is doing an enhancement, which will add audio taping to the current equipment, at the cost of approximately \$9,000.

### El Camino Police Department Web Page

The police department is in the process of updating the department's web page which will include information on homeland security; 10 reasons for receiving a parking citation; citation appeal form; and Livescanning fingerprinting. Lucinda Aborn said she could provide information for disabled clients. When the web page is ready, the police department can refer it to the Special Resource Center for review. The web page can also be linked to the SRC website.

### Live Scan Fingerprinting Update

The police department continues to provide electronic fingerprinting (Live Scan) to the public and district employees. Live Scan serves approximately 6,000 – 7,000 clients per year. A small section recommending the creation of a separate room for Live Scan is included in the bond.

### Lighting on Campus

Campus police is continually blamed for the lighting problems on campus. Facilities, Planning and Services is the department responsible for handling these problems. If anyone notices defective lights, it should be reported to Facilities via the online work order. The lights are on a locked timer box, and campus police cannot access the box.

### 9-1-1 System Update

The 9-1-1 system at the police department is provided by the State of California. The current 9-1-1 system is no longer available or manufactured. Therefore, it will be upgraded with new digital equipment. The state is determining funding for the system, and it is unknown how much monies will be allocated to El Camino. Ms. Aborn asked that the new equipment include TTY accessibility, etc. and have it interfaced to meet disabled clients' needs.

A state and federal requirement to have all cell phones equipped with a global positioning system device will be implemented within two years.

### Round Table

Patty Gebert – On Friday mornings, the door to the hallway locker area at Industry and Technology isn't open. Who is responsible for opening the door? Facilities should be contacted. The police department unlocks the doors to all buildings on Monday mornings only.

Angie Snider – Tables and chairs were placed in the hallway/lobby area of the Math and Computer Sciences building. There was a concern that there would be a noise problem. The students are quiet.

Barbara Grover – When a teacher contacts campus police after the division office is closed to notify campus police that the teacher will not be in, can their division office also receive notification? Campus police will make a copy of the class dismissed sign-up sheet and have it delivered to the division office.

Key Collection from Faculty Who Do Not Return to Teach – It was suggested to have key collection information placed on the Academic Affairs due date notification calendar.

Shaun Roberts reported that new members have been appointed to officer positions in the Associated Student Organization. Students have expressed concern that they do not feel safe in the Activities Center, and they requested to have police officers walk through the area during the day. The ASO Judicial Board has just been reactivated.

The meeting ended at 2:30 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2004 at 1:30 p.m. in the President's Board Room.

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	Dr. Nadine Hata	Presidents of AFT
	Dr. Patricia Caldwell	President of ECCE
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