

Police Advisory Committee Meeting
September 13, 2006

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The meeting began at 2:35 pm

Because the total number of committee members did not make a quorum, the meeting was an informational meeting only.

The minutes of the November 9, 2005 was approved as written.

Fall 2006 Semester Update

The parking situation during the first two weeks of the Fall 2006 semester was not as bad when compared to other semesters especially with on-going construction projects. The lots were completely filled between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. During the first two weeks, students are allowed to park in certain areas that are not authorized for parking during the semester provided they are not blocking emergency vehicle access.

Construction Update

The construction companies are required to provide their own flag people to direct traffic during work hours.

A construction worker was injured when a 14-pound clamp snapped off, hit him in the back and knocked him off the work platform. The fire department worked for an hour and a half to lift the worker from the area, and he was transported by paramedics to a local hospital. He received minor injuries and has returned to work.

Trenching on the inner campus is scheduled to be completed before the start of school. Additional modular buildings have been installed next to the Automotive Technology shops.

The district still has not received approval from the California State Department of Architecture for construction of the parking structure in Lot H. The anticipated start date was August and postponed to October. It has now been postponed to February 2007. The state is six months behind in approving projects.

Personnel Update

On July 1, 2006 the police department hired one replacement officer. A second replacement officer was hired on August 1, 2006. As of yesterday, one replacement dispatcher was hired and will begin his employment on November 1.

The police department still has 2 police officer vacant positions and one vacant sergeant position.

Dispatch Center Upgrade

During the past 90 days, the police department Dispatch Center has gone through an upgrade with funds provided from the State of California. There is a new 9-1-1 system as well as computer equipment.

Offsite Staff Parking

The police department secured permission with the Korean Church across El Camino College which allows approximately 20 parking stalls at the church parking lot for staff parking. Staff is allowed to park in the stalls facing Crenshaw Boulevard. The staff parking permit must be visible.

The Korean church was given special parking permits which allow them to use the ECC parking lot during their Sunday services.

Recent Crime Incidents

On the first day of the semester around 11 am at the administration building (out side the Cashier area), a female student had her cell phone stolen while she was engaged in a telephone call. The victim was kicked, and her phone was taken from her. The phone was worth \$300. The victim was not injured; however, she was shaken up. A special crime bulletin was distributed.

During the second day of the semester, the police department received a call about a man with a gun going into the Industry and Technology building. The individual was located, asked to walk out of the classroom and ordered to go to the ground. The gun was a replica of a 9mm Beretta. The subject, who was a former El Camino College student, was arrested.

Today in parking Lot L, a gun was found in the trunk of a car. The owner stated that it was for self-protection. A small amount of marijuana and crack cocaine was also found in the car.

Auto burglaries have occurred. Students are leaving their laptops, I-Pods, etc. on their car seats. The burglaries are smash and grab burglaries with groups of two or three people committing the crime. One person acts as a lookout, and the other two people commit the burglaries. The suspects are not El Camino College students.

Two male juveniles were arrested during the Saturday night football game. They were caught tagging and arrested for vandalism. The police department is in the process of determining their moniker so that it can be matched to graffiti on campus. Someone also made some engraving on the glass at the Marsee auditorium.

There have been several traffic collisions on Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Crenshaw Boulevard. The police department is utilizing the electronic sign obtained from a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety which shows drivers their speed as they approach the sign.

The Police Advisory Committee meeting schedule will be changed from every other month to quarterly. Arlene will obtain the dates for the quarterly meeting.

Round Table

Angie Snider – Is it possible to block off a stall in Lot B on Saturdays for a faculty member in the Math and Computer Sciences Division? On Saturday and Sunday students are allowed to park in staff stalls with their student permit. Therefore, staff stalls in Lot B are taken. The MCS Division should contact campus police so that a cone can be placed in the stall. Also, there are people blocking the stalls in Lot B while they wait to pick-up their passenger from a class.

Leni Sequitin– Traffic Safety brochure should also be available in alternate audio format audio. The watch commander will work with Leni.

The next meeting is scheduled for November or December. Arlene will contact the committee members with the next meeting date.

The meeting ended at 2:10 p.m.

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