University of Wisconsin-Platteville Sexual Assault Awareness Council – Minutes 9/26/12

Present: Marc Wruble, Sarah Miller, Robin Gore, Rebecca Groves, Scott Marquardt

Meeting was called early to prepare data for request from the Provost on efforts aimed at sexual assault prevention on this campus.

Residence Life staff shared they had a new Sexual Assault Awareness video created by UW-Platteville Residence Life staff. It is posted on line and accessible to everyone. Preliminary feedback has been positive. All new students are required to review it.

RA’s are trained on how to assist victims, but they have not formally been through any Bystander Intervention Training.

Scott reported that Deirdre and Molly Theleman from campus police, along with SPR members and two city police officers presented on safety issues at welcome weekend. A new SPR video on how to reduce sexual violence was played throughout the day for new students.

Discussed fact group should add Jennifer DeCoste, new Chief Diversity Office to our list-serve.

List compiled for email response to Provost:

- Jackson Katz presentation
- Josh Jasper multiple presentations to Chancellor’s Cabinet, faculty, staff and students
- Commitment to non-violence letter published in Exponent
- Marc’s presentations on sexual assault and technology for SAAM
- SAAC’s coordination of different departments and group
- Media outreach
- Resource magnet and stickers
- Anti-violence summit

Discussed culminated in decision that this committee wants to be involved in the on-going process of program development for sexual assault and violence prevention, but we need money.

Residence Life shared about the “United We Stand” campaign on diversity.

Group decided to

1. advocate for a anti-violence education and sexual assault advocate, both which should be employee positions;
2. organize and implement a 3 year curriculum for bystander intervention training

These notes were kept by Marc Wruble at the meeting and transcribed for minutes by Deirdre Dalsing