

I. Physical Changes

A. Lighting

- Our special study meshes well with the Murray/Datz recommendations
- Installation is in progress.

B. Emergency Telephones

- Generally agree with the principle
- The risk of abuse or false alarms
- What kinds of phones?
 - Ring-down? You pick it up and it rings a specific emergency number, either our emergency, or a police dispatcher.
 - Regular phones with only an on-campus class of service; with emergency numbers clearly evident
- Specific locations suggested:

Pavilion

Inside or out, or both?

Back of library

Outside near the door?

duPont

Inside or out, or both?

Phones appear to be an easy thing, but they introduce problems of their own. Cabling, maintenance, etc.

C. Dormitory Security

- OK on having women live mainly on upper floors away from access. We've done this for freshmen, law students. We can try it for the new dorm. Woods Creek doesn't seem to matter.
- Guards, locks, etc. we'll introduce more problems and trouble than we'll avoid.

II. Personnel & Equipment Changes

A. Communications

- I agree that communications is the weak link
- Scott Beebe and Bub Mohler are working out a plan to place the night telephone operator's station in the B&G office. As I understand it, from the time Mrs. Gilmore's lobby console shuts down at 5 p.m. until midnight, a trained student attendant will handle incoming telephone calls and will respond to all emergency rings (instead of the boiler tender). The student will have radio contact with the security folks to direct them as needed. At midnight, all emergency calls will be directed to the night desk in the library where the attendants there must be sufficiently trained to handle them. This seems to be the most feasible arrangement, other than having a full-time security dispatcher on duty when B&G is not open.

- I believe we should invest in good, dependable radio equipment.
 - I think there will be sufficient funds in the so-called

plumbing/security project to cover this.

B. Identification

-- We should have our folks and their vehicles visible for what they are.

C. Female staff

-- We've added a woman security person already

-- I agree with everyone being trained to respond to sexual assault problems.

III. Student Education & Training

I agree that we should not create a security anxiety among our students and/or their parents. We should be candid and accurate in describing the local and campus situations. We are not in a high crime situation, but there do exist town/gown tensions among young people. We should urge caution and prudence both on campus and off, with emphasis on common sense decisions and judgments.

A. Identification cards

-- I think ID cards with emergency information is a good idea

B. Security orientation

-- A good idea, but I'm not certain of the link between security and the sexual harassment business

-- We can suggest some practices that will add to feelings of security about the campus. Students, including the women, will come to their own assessment of risks, just as they do now, including our women law students.

C. Dorm counsellor training

-- a good idea

D. Rape training

-- there is a risk here, I think, of over-emphasis. Done improperly, we could introduce paranoia where none is warranted. If I speak to a woman student at night, I don't want to get karate-chopped.

E. Off-campus security

-- we should try to keep our students living out in town and county aware of security risks, perhaps through the R-T-P if there seems to be the difficulty of a suitable forum.

IV. Escort Service

If the need arises, fine, but let's not try to make something work that we may not need. I think it likely that our women students will develop their own escort services.

V. General Sum-up

While our institutional responsibility is certainly greater, and we should not be derelict nor negligent if we can possibly avoid it, we are likely to find the presence of our own undergraduate women little different from the presence of women law students or our visitors from the area women's colleges. We've had women here in significant numbers all along. With one or two exceptions, they get along all right. Such problems as they have we would not be able to solve with any of the specific security measures above.

We also must remember that we don't sit around thinking up extreme measures to prevent the next fatal automobile accident. It's going to occur, no matter what we do to try to stop it. I think the same thing applies to sexual assault. Sooner or later, it is going to happen. When it does, we'll get highly sensitized and whatever it is we haven't been doing, we'll feel pressured to do.

Common sense and staying close to the realities of our environment will serve us pretty well.