

ULPD Advisory Board  
October 7, 2021 at 11:30 AM  
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Members Present: Elijah Cooper, Emily Porter, Gary Becker, Gary Lewis, John Drees, Kathleen Elsherif, Keira Martin, Kim Hendricks, Lisa Gunterman, Mark Watkins, Mary Elizabeth Miles, Michael Wade Smith, Sarah Kaiser, Steven Green, Tammi Thomas, Veronnie Jones

Updates:

- ULPD is now the primary agency taking over responsibilities at Cardinal Stadium. They will be responsible for the stadium, locker rooms, traffic, etc. This was in part due to commitments from President Bendapudi and the Black Student Union. ULPD also has received a great deal of support from HR and Athletics
- The Annual Safety Report is [available here](#). The report covers all three campuses (Belknap, HSC, Shelby). The primary concern at the moment is theft, specifically of catalytic converters from cars. ULPD was able to stop an active theft yesterday from a concerned student seeing the theft in action and reporting it. Spreading the word about being alert to these thefts can be shared informally and may be shared more formally through avenues such as UofL Today or the ULPD Newsletter.
- Recruitment and Retention is currently a concern. ULPD has been partnering with Business Operations and has participated in virtual and in-person career fairs. There are also student internships that have resulted in hiring of new officers.
- ULPD has been asked to join the [Faith & Blue](#) initiative. They will join the Dept. of Criminal Justice and the Southern Police Institute (SPI) in discussing the state of policing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- The Air Force ROTC Program at UofL is partnering to provide walking safety escorts from Ekstrom Library on Belknap Campus from 10:30PM-1:30AM.
- The annual cookout is historically attended by staff, but not as many students. ULPD is looking to relocate the cookout that typically takes place in October to a more central, open location such as the Red Barn. The cookout may also take place in the Spring instead of the fall.
- The [PEACC Center](#) shared positive experiences with ULPD in working with officers and detectives as they need to make reports; ULPD is looking at national models and resources to help prevent and address sexual assault
- ULPD has a new therapy dog! Canine Hoss is completing some national training but will be available on campus soon offering Free Hugs. He will be present during mid-terms and finals as well since that is when mental health calls tend to increase.

Next Steps:

The November meeting will hopefully take place in-person at ULPD to allow members to see the new virtual training space.

Submitted by Sarah Kaiser, Staff Senate Representative