

## WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Annual Report

2002 - 2003

**The Members of the Committee:** Tom Akins (CO-OP), Mary Ann Ingram (ECE), Frank Lambert (ECE), Lionel Lemarchand (ModL), Carole Moore (ACAD SVC), Chair, Gail Palmer (ECE), Vishal Patel (UG Stu), Jean Swank (GTRI), ex officio

**The Committee met on the following dates:** 9/13, 10/23, 12/6, 1/17, 2/21, 3/21, 4/18, 5/21, and 6/10

Members of the committee served on the Parking and Transportation Advisory Task Force. Secured a member on the Campus (Master) Planning Committee for 2003-04.

During fall term the Committee continued to examine its function and scope. After discussion with members of the Executive Board, it was agreed that the Committee assess needs through existing faculty committees and task forces. It would then determine if issues and concerns are being addressed, and, if not make recommendations to the Executive Board for possible actions.

Other areas of focus for the year included:

- Continued to improve communication with the Executive Board
- The structure of the Parking and Transportation Committee and the participation of faculty in policy and decision making has finally moved forward
- Interviewed all candidates for the Chief of Police position.
- Volunteered to assist the Provost's efforts to provide mentoring of faculty from under-represented groups.
- Met with Chief Crocker to start addressing the immediate and severe problem of security around the North Avenue Research Complex. This will be an on-going issue for 2003-04.
- Established that bike lanes will continue to exist along Fifth Street. This will be continued to be monitored.
- Discussed issue of motorized carts and safety on campus. Chief Crocker will pursue the matter and report back to the committee.
- At the request of faculty members the security measures for the Management College move into the new facility were discussed. Assurance was given by Facilities and Planning that all precautions would be in place.
- Have requested an update from Chief Crocker on the status of the Campus Safety Task Force report.
- In light of budget constraints, tabled the proposal for health insurance for GRA's and GTA's until the fall.

The Committee members were very dedicated and discharged their assignments diligently. The Committee is now poised for an extremely productive year in 2003-2004 under the leadership of Frank Lambert.