Presidential Task Force on Gender-Based Violence Final Report

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## Task Force Members

#### **Co-Chairs**

- Dr. Marissa Levy, Dean, School of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Dr. Sara Martino, Professor of Counseling

#### Members

- Dr. Haley Baum, Dean of Students
- Annalise Catherine, Student
- Laurie Dutton, Director of the Women's, Gender & Sexuality Center (WGSC)
- Ben Dziobek, Student
- Dr. Betsy Erbaugh, Associate Professor of Sociology
- Dr. Jessica Halligan, Assistant Professor Environmental Science
- Mary-Rose Keane, Student
- Dr. Ethan Levine, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice & Victimology
- Dr. Manish Madan, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice
- Heizel Prince, Manager of Labor Relations, HR
- Andrea Sandoval, Student
- Joseph Thompson, Assistant Director of Student Development
- Yamirah Williams, Student



### Charge

- Review effectiveness of current institutional practices as well as best practices at similar institutions
- Use evidence-based research to recommend changes to existing University procedures
- As state and federal laws and regulations evolve, make recommendations for implementation at Stockton
- Examine existing programmatic initiatives and integrate training on gender-based violence
- Recommend strategies for communicating changes to policies, procedures, and practices to the University community



# Subcommittees

Culture of Respect – NASPA & Campus Pride

- Chaired by Dr. Haley Baum and Dr. Betsy Erbaugh
- Education enacted work, included students
  - Chaired by Joe Thompson
- LGBTQIA+ gathered policies and created document
  - Chaired by Dr. Ethan Levine

Supportive Measures and Services – various initiatives

- Chaired by Laurie Dutton

Title IX - videos

- Chaired by Dr. Manish Madan



#### Recommendations

- "Human" Resources

- Training, Education, and Information Dissemination

- Carrying the Work Forward



# "Human" Resources

- Full-time administrative employee for WGS Center
- Prevention Education and Peer Education Coordinator
  - Current full-time position is covered with funds from the (sunsetting) GEERF grant
- Dedicated LGBTQ counselor in Wellness Center
  - Need for a specialty-based referral system



### Training, Education, and Info Dissemination

- Peer-led, trauma-informed Title IX and Sexual Misconduct informational presentations for all faculty and staff
  - Recommendation for these presentations to be incorporated at the school/program/unit level
- Better search mechanisms and accessibility to information, presentations, and events around the topic of G-BV
- Greater dissemination of Title IX and sexual misconduct information, videos, and materials



## Carrying the Work Forward

Given the impact of gender-based violence on the *entire* campus community the TF recommends:

- a centralized group of stakeholders (faculty, staff,

students, and administrators) form a standing committee,

- report to the President's Cabinet,
- to be elected or appointed from within each group



# Carrying the Work Forward

In doing so, this standing committee would:

- reflect the entire campus-wide body,
- ensure NASPA Core and Campus Pride Index goals are addressed,
- continue to remain abreast of best-practice around gender-based violence education via ATIXA, NASPA Culture of Respect, the New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NJCASA), AVANZAR (advocacy of Atlantic County), and Garden State Equality,
- partner with Women's, Gender & Sexuality Center to ensure full staffing for victim/survivor advocacy, and
- elevate pressing issues to the President's Cabinet.



# Questions?

Many thanks to ALL the PTF members!

