

April 9, 2021

Shane White, Chair
Academic Senate

Re: Systemwide Review: Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures

Dear Chair White,

At its meeting on March 29, 2021, the Council on Planning and Budget (CPB) had an opportunity to review and discuss the Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures.

Some members expressed concern over the statement that retired officers can carry concealed and loaded weapons on campus, especially since justification for such action is provided. While some members recommended getting rid of this privilege, others argued that the policy was to bring university police in compliance with the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004—a federal law that allows a “qualified retired law enforcement officer” meeting certain criteria to carry a concealed firearm anywhere in the nation. A few members recommended diversity training for those assigned to work together.

Members noted section 809 (page 7), on the use of “**Pain Compliance Techniques**,” [“Stimulation of nerves or manipulation of joints to elicit a sense of unease in a subject...(3)”] which “may be very effective in controlling a non-compliant or actively resisting individual.” Because peaceful protests and nonviolent resistance techniques are common on university campuses, members were concerned that these techniques could be applied based on very broad definitions of non-compliance [verbal non-compliance included “pleading” or “physical gestures, stances, and observable mannerisms”(2) or “subjects who remain in a sitting, standing, or limp or prone positions without holding on to fixed objects or other persons in an attempt to delay or resist arrest” (3)].

Thank you for the opportunity to review. If you have any questions for us, please do not hesitate to contact me at groeling@comm.ucla.edu or via the Council’s analyst, Elizabeth Feller, at efeller@senate.ucla.edu.

Sincerely,



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