

## Meeting Notes

<b>Meeting</b>	CSC Student Representatives – General Meeting
<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	Friday February 15, 2013 @ 1:00 pm
<b>Location</b>	902 YRT
<b>Attendance</b>	Toby Mayer, Elana Shugar, Matthew Harris, Joanna Pearce, Elize Ceschia, Steve Mulholland, Margaret Macharia, Danielle, Melissa, Sivan

### Safety Initiatives Update

- Safety App
- Contact Information for Students in Crisis
- Safety Campaign

### Safety App

- The YorkU Safety App was launched February 4, 2013. It is available for iPhone, Android and BB users. The BB version is slightly limited as certain features were not compatible on the BB platform. We have been working with the software vendor to get as much functionality on BB as possible.
- You can download the app from the safety website: [www.yorku.ca/safety](http://www.yorku.ca/safety)
- Feedback can be submitted directly from the app, under About/Preferences, or you can email Elize directly.

### Contact Information for Students in Crisis

- A document which includes important safety resources for students at York is in preparation. It is essentially a hard copy of the resources available on safety app. When ready, the document will be available on the safety website and can be downloaded and printed
- The document was reviewed by members in attendance and feedback was obtained. Stay tuned.

### Safety Campaign

- The safety campaign SAFER TOGETHER was officially launched on Jan. 30 at the CSC Community Update. Phase 1 highlighted the YorkU Safety App.
- You can view the PPT presentation from the CSC Community Update on the [safety website](http://www.yorku.ca/safety).
- Phase 2 – launching Feb. 25, 2013 is a poster campaign highlighting campus resources including: Security, goSAFE, Campus Shuttles, CHR and SASSL.
- The Safety Campaign takes a holistic approach by looking at safety across the university while promoting current resources and exploring new possibilities.
- Over the summer and into the fall, the safety campaign will begin to look at how we educate our community around the issues which lead to violence and how we can prevent violence from occurring in our community. One new possibility will be implementing Green Dot (an active bystander movement). Green Dot originated at the University of Kentucky and has since been adopted at several institutions in the US and here at UofT. Elize and Rob were headed to Kentucky to learn more and Elize will provide a brief summary of the experience at the next meeting.

### **Student Ambassador Program – not discussed at this meeting, but still under consideration**

- Students should be able to participate in the safety campaign by becoming student ambassadors and going into classes and provide information on safety resources
- Students could apply to become an ambassador

### **Culture Change - How do we engage students?**

- A discussion related to how we can engage students and make culture change happen. Below is a summary of the topics covered.
- Theme of “social learning” – looking at ways to educate students that is integrated into activities they would normally engage in. This way, they are more receptive to receiving the information, rather than requiring that they attend a seminar, or workshop.
- Individual Motivation and Community Environment
  - Individual
    - Recognition. For example, the ability to include participation on their resume
    - Ownership by leaders – looks to leaders to see if they have adopted the model and are setting the example
    - Meaning/Purpose/Value and how are these related to the individual
  - Community
    - Issues affect the group as a whole, not just a single group, person, problem
    - Create a welcoming environment where the individuals feel like they really matter
    - Build trust among members and the community as a whole
    - Open – ability to talk about the issues – creation of a safe space
    - Proof – what are the results, change of language, sharing of ideas/success stories – this creates “buy-in” and gets the community engaged
- Messaging from York
  - Want to see that the institution stands behind its messages, not just a one-time, one-department issue or message

### **Next Meeting**

- Complete the doodle poll for March meeting
- Agenda items proposed:
  - Direction for the group during the summer
  - Any potential recommendations to be brought forward to the CSC