

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

**Welfare and Security Committee**

**2015-2016 ANNUAL REPORT**

**Members of the Committee**

Patricia Bazrod  
Albert Concord  
Linda Harley  
Andrew Howard  
Patricia Kenly  
Gary Spichiger

**Executive Board Liaison**

Dana Simpson

**SGA Representatives**

Nagela Nukuna and Joshi Tapes

**Invited Guests and Ex Officio Members**

Brian Bonus  
William Smith  
Nazia Zakir

**Meeting Dates**

The committee met on the following dates:  
August 26, 2015; November 10, 2015; March 24, 2016

## Activities

For 2015-2016, the meeting discussions centered around certain campus safety topics, initiatives of the Georgia Tech Police Department, and the future direction of the Committee.

Safety initiatives discussed were the renewed inclusion of the Committee in the SGA Campus Safety Walks, safety concerns for library employees working on football game days and having to walk long distances at night for parking, and a reminder by EHS of the presence of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) across campus. EHS also reminded the Committee that it provides training for CPR/First Aid/AED.

The Georgia Tech Police Department and its Office of Emergency Preparedness introduced the mobile LiveSafe app, discussed changes being made to the Emergency Preparedness Advisory Group, and provided information on the revised shift hours and accompanying addition of bicycle patrols in key areas of campus. Information was also provided about the new GT WeatherSTEM website that provides real-time weather information from three weather stations at Georgia Tech. During discussions about drone use on campus, Emergency Preparedness provided clarification on recreational use and restrictions in place for sporting events. As a result of the discussion, it was determined lines of communication were needed between GTPD and the Georgia Tech Research Corporation with regards to research use of drones.

The Faculty Executive Board had recently expressed interest in the Committee coordinating its activities with similar committees at Georgia Tech. As such the Chairs of the Staff Campus Physical Environment and Employee Health and Well-Being Committees were approached about combined meetings. A joint meeting of members of this Committee and the Physical Environmental Committee took place, and it was agreed, in principal, that there are overlapping areas of interest that might make a merger of sorts practical. In addition to the minutes generated by this Committee (<http://www.facultygovernance.gatech.edu/CommittMin015-016.htm>), the minutes generated by the Staff committee are maintained separately with contact information available at <http://staffcouncil.gatech.edu/committee/campus-physical-environment>.