

2/21 Outreach Committee Meeting 430pm Dunlap 235

Attendees: Nejla Routsong, Adrienne Weber, Jenna Buckner, Jason Michalek, Kamala Brown-Sparks (virtual)

Absent: Sophia Amos

Agenda and Notes

1. Finalize plans for 2/24-2/25 events - 5 min
2. Guest visitor Liz Grenat from CJAM to discuss possible collaboration for Bloomington Community Safety Roundtable events (BCSR) - 25 min
 - a. Cross-talk and collaborative ideas, people from different perspectives with common goal of improving safety, allow people to have discourse and create an environment conducive to people listening to others, voluntary nature will attract people passionate about the subject, they can learn more about CAPS work, and CAPS can listen to our community, expand the view of public safety outside of law enforcement, allow community members to participate in safety efforts, start small and become involved.
 - b. First mtg - Tie together the report, the documentary, public safety scene,
 - c. Take turns with CAPS members facilitating to hone our skills in building advocacy efforts, build momentum for change, learn to create space between different ideas, remember when we are wearing a facilitator hat to stay neutral, create a mechanism for facilitator to weigh in later outside of the discussion
 - d. Explain structure of feasibility study to make the aims feasible
 - e. Ask about Report - what resonated, what was missing, what data do we need, what don't you agree with
 - f. Dividing into sectors, specialties, safety for all at the expense of none, set ground rules with a structured agenda
 - g. Craft the ground rules together
3. Discuss recent local news re: public safety - 15 min
 - <https://bsquarebulletin.com/2024/02/05/bloomington-mayor-cites-cost-as-big-reason-to-nix-showers-west-remodel-for-police-hq-but-fire-department-projects-to-proceed/>
 - https://bloomingtonian.com/2024/02/05/bloomington-mayor-thomson-halts-police-station-move-amid-financial-concerns/#google_vignette
 - H-T article on Redevelopment Commission's rejection of Showers West redevelopment into a new police/fire station (attached)
 - H-T article on Common Councilmember's views of public safety needs (attached)
4. Review CAPS Communications Guidelines (attached)- 15 min
5. Review ODL laws for all Committee members - 2 min

Memorandum prepared by Nejla Routsong, CAPS Commissioner