Present: John Heckman, Roger Maas, Dain Gotto, Laura Beamer, Sgt. Alan Smith, Ron Blomberg, *Dave Scharenberg, Melissa Burlingame, Melanie Costello, Jeanine Clark Bremer, Robert Kreml

* Committee Chair

Excused: Brad Hoey, Darren Mitchell, James Murphy, Patricia Liberty-Baczek, Comm. John Petragallo, Chalermsee Olson, Alfredo Garcia, Craig Kline, Arielle Kalvelage, Ben Stone

1. Meeting called to order at 10:30

2. The minutes from November 18, 2015 were approved with additions.

3. Old Business:

- Sgt. Smith explained the NIU RAD program and the reason the only women are accepted into the program. Currently NIU has no certified instructors to instruct male students. According to the national RAD organization, all instructors must be certified and be gender specific. If enough interest is shown, Public Safety could get someone certified as necessary. The web address to the RAD program is http://www.rad-systems.com/

- The issue of Newman Lane was discussed and Comm. Petragallo had furnished an email stating that the city of DeKalb Engineer indicated that Newman Lane is NIU property. The rights of way on either side of the street are narrow and do not allow installation of sidewalks at this time.

  In relation to this issue, Mr. Kreml expressed the issue of no crosswalk from Newman Lane across Garden Road.

- The locks on the double doors on the north side of Reavis Hall have Prox locks on one side. That is why one side is locked from the outside. Both doors are operable from the inside therefore all exit requirements are met.

- Mr. Scharenberg raised the Tornado Drill proposal for March 1st, which generated much discussion. The committee voted to support the idea of the drill and would like to see continuation of the planning and implementation of the plan. Mr. Heckman suggested the Mr. Maas take the idea to the provost for review due to the fact of the short notice. Mr. Maas will contact Mr. Scharenberg with the Provost’s opinion.
The committee also discussed the proposal to hold fire drills for each campus building including satellite locations. The committee supports the idea. Mr. Scharenberg will proceed with planning and methodology for this project.

Mr. Scharenberg discussed the NIU App that is available for smart phones that has taken the place of the printed Emergency Plan that was available in each classroom. The App has several other informative links that pertain to campus safety. Several issues were discussed and much of the development and improvement of the App is being done by Emergency Planning.

4. New Business:
   - Mr. Scharenberg discussed a request coming from the Parking Committee meeting about bicycle safety. The suggestion was to extend the sidewalk bike lanes east beyond Normal Dr. The sidewalks are too narrow and would require installation of wider sidewalks to accommodate extension of the bike lanes.

5. Next meeting scheduled for January 20, 2016 at 10:30 am

6. Meeting adjourned at 11:30