1984, 1988 Lighting and Campus Safety Committee Recommendations and Response

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TO: Executive Vice Chancellor Homer Fisher

FROM: CFW Lighting and Campus Safety Committee – Gail Clay, Chair

Members: Mary Jo Hoover, Chair-CFW; Jane Dunlap, Beverly Sweeney, Jane Redmond (represented by Wendy Young and Michelle Miller), Cheryl Casteel, Hugh Griffin, Jeff Campbell

Members not attending: Susan Kemppainen, Susan Becker and Dan Ream

DATE: November 14, 1984

The Lighting and Campus Safety Committee of the Commission for Women met on Tuesday, November 13, 1984, at 5:30 p.m. After a light dinner the Committee toured the campus and Ft. Sanders area to observe the lighting and safety.

The Committee was pleased to observe extensive progress in the lighting of walkways and buildings throughout the campus. It is evident that the Physical Plan has responded to the needs for improved lighting in the majority of problem areas identified by the Committee in previous years, and the Commission for Women and students appreciate the positive efforts made by the administration and Physical Plant personnel to alleviate the problems.

The Committee offers these specific suggestions for continued improvements in the safety of the campus:

1. The new parking area (N-2) at Lake and 22nd Street should be lighted immediately, and a blacktop surface should be considered as soon as possible.

2. The parking lot at Melrose Loop (C-13 called Melrose Triangle, between Hess and Massey) is dangerous. It was pointed out that it is used as a "cut through" for heavy pedestrian traffic as well as parking. There are no steps, lots of mud, and no lights.

3. Poor lighting in Staff Lot #23.

4. No lighting from Textile Building at corner of White and 15th Street to Cumberland entrance to Graduate Library (walkway).

5. Steps not lighted corner of Stadium Drive and Andy Holt to Biology Building.

6. Poor lighting on Middle Drive in front of Alumni Gym.

7. Staff Lot #2 at Buehler low intensity lights.

8. Poor lighting on Lower Drive (83) between Estabrook and Nuclear Building.

9. Staff Lot #16 (Revco and Massey) low intensity lighting and a popular pedestrian walkway.

10. Staff Lot #40 poorly lighted.
11. Staff Lot #12 at west end of University Center (heavy pedestrian traffic).

12. Commuter Lot #15 no lighting.

13. General lighting improvements needed around Humanities Building especially on Volunteer Boulevard side.

14. Staff Area #30 at Speech and Hearing very dim lights.

15. Staff Area #30 at Andy Holt Tower poorly lighted.


17. Staff Parking Area #9 (Margaret's Ally) no lights.

18. Several street lights were burned out, however, improvements from previous years were noted.

19. Student Garage (Building 66) at Andy Holt and Volunteer West serious problem observed with burned out lights.

The Committee discussed the safety hazards precipitated by the construction of the new library.

It is recommended that flood lights be mounted on nearby buildings, e.g. Melrose Residence Hall and Glocker, which will provide temporary lighting for the duration of the projects. It is further recommended that a walkway behind the building be prepared and surfaced which allows for pedestrian traffic north and south.

The cooperation of your office, the Physical Plant, and Chief Griffin is appreciated by the Commission, and we are available to work with you at any time to improve the quality of life at our university.

GC/brh
TO:  Chancellor Jack Reese  
FROM:  Linda Burton  
Chair, Commission for Women  
DATE:  May 30, 1988  
SUBJECT:  Lighting Committee Report  

Campus lighting has improved considerably since the Commission for Women conducted its last lighting survey. We are especially pleased with the progress made in the Lake Avenue area. While we found approximately 33 areas which would benefit from improved lighting, the areas listed below were viewed as priority, based on use:

1. Claxton Education, near the corner of Andy Holt and Volunteer  
2. Staff Lot 9 (behind Claxton Education)  
3. Back of Claxton Addition  
4. Ayres Hall facing Cumberland Avenue  
5. Steps by Black Cultural Center  
6. Back of Smokey's Palace  
7. Human Ecology (around outside of building)  
8. Tyson Alumni House  
9. Staff Lots 12 and C-24, behind White Avenue  
10. University Center near Parking Garage  
11. Turner House stairs  
12. Stokely Management Center stairs  
13. South College, back and front  
14. Lot 30  

In addition, campus lighting could be immediately improved if broken lights were repaired and interior building lights, ground floor level, were left on. Many lights, some of them city lights, needed repair. Flood lights on buildings were an especially effective means of lighting. Primary walkways seem to be adequately lit. Needs for improved lighting are parking areas and the routes between them and the buildings.

The Commission for Women appreciates the improvement that has been made in lighting and look forward to improvements continuing to be made on a scheduled basis.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Linda Burton  
Chair, Commission for Women

FROM: John Parker

DATE: October 21, 1988

SUBJECT: Lighting Committee Report

RE: Your Memorandum to Chancellor Jack Reese dated May 30, 1988

This is in response to your memorandum to Chancellor Reese concerning the need for additional and improved Campus lighting based on the Lighting Committee, Commission for Women report. We have studied the areas of concern listed in the report and are in agreement that upgraded lighting is needed in these areas. In addition, we have included two areas discussed in our meetings with the Task Force on Campus Safety; i.e. the walkways between Presidential Court and Fraternity Park and the walkways west of the HPER Building at the tennis courts.

We have today set up a special project to accomplish all of the additional lighting and will proceed as quickly as the availability of materials will allow. Priority will be given to all areas around the Jessie Harris Human Ecology Building, Parking Area 30 and the walkways between Presidential Court and Fraternity Park.

If you need to discuss this matter with me further, let me know.

Dr. Jack Reese  
Mr. Homer Fisher  
Mr. Phil Scheurer  
Dr. Jerry Askew