

Safety Advisory Committee Report to Academic Senate

April 15, 2026 (Committee Meeting Date April 7, 2026)

Announcements:

- This was our first meeting with Jason Townsend, Interim Executive Director of College Safety.
- Martha Gonzales will be serving as the new Classified Co-Chair replacing Justin Kelly.

Completed Items:

- Nothing to report

Upcoming Items:

- Active Shooter Training for staff, faculty, and students is planned before the end of the semester.
- Science and Engineering building's glass exposure and classroom visibility are recognized as safety concerns; window film, blinds, and barricade options will be evaluated.
- Lighting expansion bids for the following areas are underway: Business and Humanities, Get Bus Stop, dark areas along Haley Street.
- Interior Campus Vehicular Safety
 - Campus removable metal bollards are expected to be installed late April or early May pending final bids and district approval.
- The Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is being revised after a February safety summit, with main-campus refinements and satellite-specific plans aimed for board consideration around late May/June. An initial draft from Keenan and Associates was reviewed and work is continuing to refine the EOP.
- BCSGA passed a resolution proposing inclusionary visual alert lighting for deaf and hard-of-hearing students, staff and faculty; the SGA representative read the resolution at the meeting and will send the document to College Safety for review.
- Commissioning of the Bakersfield College Police Department is still underway. The goal is to have Police presence available either from Bakersfield College if the department is running or the Bakersfield Police Department planned before the student housing goes live which is planned for January 2027
- Clery Annual compliance is underway which is the completion of the Annual Security Report by October 1st each year. Previous Reports and more information can be found on the [College Safety website](#).

Respectfully submitted,

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Jason Townsend, Administrative Co-Chair
Martha Gonzales, Classified Co-Chair