



# Solano Community College Safety Committee

## MINUTES

### Regular Meeting

November 29, 2021 @ 2:00 PM

Meeting Via Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/93503257337?pwd=Q2gyOVU3bWp5STUycWovRUVncEt5Zz09>

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

2. **ROLL CALL: (Members in Bold were in attendance)**

**Brian Travis, Co-Chair**  
**Susan Wheet, Co- Chair**  
**David Williams, Secretary**  
**Shannon Cooper, Member**  
**Lisa Neeley, Member**  
**Jim Petromilli, Member**  
**Myron Hord, Member**  
Danielle Gonzalez, Member  
**Jeff Lehfeltdt, Member**  
Vacant ASSC, Member  
**Christie Speck, Member**  
**Johnicon George, Member**

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Jim Petromilli motioned to approve the agenda; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Neeley. Motion passed.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC:**

- a) Each member of the public will receive three minutes to speak. No members of the public were present.

5. **RESOLUTION TO REMAIN REMOTE**

VP Williams motioned to approve the resolution; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christie Speck. Motion passed. (Resolution attached)

6. **DISCUSS ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE**

VP Wheet shared the mission statement. This meeting will focus on the newly-formed department of public safety at SCC.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Department of Public Safety (DPS) Status Update – Brian Travis: details below. (Presentation Attached)
- b) Presentation of potential DPS uniform, shoulder patch, badge, patrol vehicle and other safety gear – Brian Travis  
Lt. Travis shared a presentation for the update, including a discussion of badges (stars and shields), shoulder patches (suggestion to remove star from

patch sample and replace with a circle), uniforms (traditional vs. polo shirts), vehicle logo. 70% of departments use stars. Proposing a department of safety shield. Consulted with students, who thought a star is “too police-y.” Shield says “Department of Public Safety.”

- c) DPS timeline before the department can become operational – Brian Travis Dec 1-10 interviews for new Chief of Department of Public Safety; could be on Jan 19 Board agenda (tight timeline). Questions about who is on the interview panel. New chief will undergo psychological and background check. Will likely extend month-to-month contract until department gets set up. After the presentation, VP Williams motioned to accept the recommendations of Lt. Travis for badges, patches, uniforms, and vehicles. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Myron Hord. Motion passed.

8. **ESTABLISH FUTURE MEETING DATES/TIMES**

Monday at 2:00 seems to work for ongoing 1x/month meetings.

9. **REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Review of safety information flip charts posted in classrooms to update; plans for safety drills; communications system between main campus and centers; updates on crime trends in the region.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motioned by VP Williams; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean Neeley. Approved. Adjourned at 2:53pm.



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## RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONTINUED STATE OF EMERGENCY AND NEED FOR REMOTE MEETINGS

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Trustees of Solano Community College District found that state of emergency originally declared on March 18, 2020 continues to directly impact the ability of its members to meet safely in person (RESOLUTION NO. 21/22-1), and, thus, they will continue to hold virtual meetings;

**WHEREAS**, The Safety Committee of Solano Community College also believes that the state of emergency originally declared on March 18, 2020 continues to directly impact the ability of its members to meet safely in person;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Safety Committee of Solano Community College will continue to hold virtual meetings ensuring public access to all meeting materials and Zoom links;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Safety Committee will assess the conditions related to COVID and the State of Emergency at least every 30 days in compliance with AB 361 (2021).

**RESULTS:**

AYES: Nine (9)

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

**November 29, 2021**

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Signature of recording secretary

# **SCC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS) UNIFORM, BADGE, SHOULDER PATCH & VEHICLE LOGO PRESENTATION**

Presented by Brian Travis  
November 29, 2021

# Presentation Outline

- BADGE PRESENTATION
- SHOULDER PATCH PRESENTATION
- UNIFORM PRESENTATION
- VEHICLE LOGO PRESENTATION
- RECOMMENDATION TO COMMITTEE

# BADGES – Stars and Shields

- California Penal Code 830.10 – Any uniformed peace officer **SHALL** wear a badge, nameplate, or other device which bears clearly on its face the identification number or name of the officer.
- An officer's badge is perhaps the most visible and recognizable symbol for police officers around the world.
- Here in Solano County we have the following badges that law enforcement agencies wear on their uniforms:



Fairfield PD



Vacaville PD



Solano Sheriff



Benicia PD



Vallejo PD



Dixon PD



Suisun PD



Rio Vista PD

- What some community college police departments are wearing on their uniforms:



Marin College PD



Contra Costa Community C...

Contra Costa



Santa Rosa College



Glendale College



San Diego College



Old Solano College



Proposed DPS Shield

# SCC DPS SHIELD – CLOSER LOOK

- We want the shield to be as personable as possible
- Something we all can relate to and be proud to be a part of
- A symbol with fond memory of the college
- From talking to some of the students, they prefer the shield over the star shaped badges
- They think the star badges are too “police” and remind them of some of the local agencies who have been in the news recently
- They are glad the word “police” will not appear anywhere on the Solano College shield





# Shoulder Patches

- Most law enforcement uniforms feature shoulder patches with the agency's name and a logo on it for identification purposes.
- Without shoulder patches those we serve will not be able to identify which agency the officer work for and that could be problems for everyone involved during a field contact or in an emergency situation.
- Here in Solano County we have the following shoulder patches that law enforcement agencies wear on their uniforms:



Fairfield PD



Vacaville PD



Solano Sheriff



Benicia PD



Vallejo PD



Dixon PD



Suisun PD



Rio Vista PD

- Nearby community college police departments also wear them on their uniforms:



Marin College PD



Contra Costa



Napa Valley College



Ohlone College



City College SF



College of San Mateo



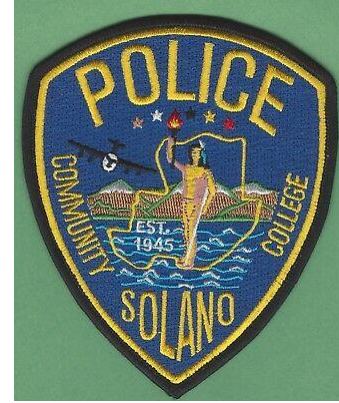
Proposed DPS Shield



# Shoulder Patches – Closer Look



New DPS Patch



Former Patch

# Uniforms –Traditional

- Uniform policies are established to ensure that uniformed officers will be readily identifiable to the public through the proper use and wearing of department uniforms. It also helps demonstrate consistency, competence and those wearing them have the authority and skills to serve and protect those in need.
- Here in Solano County we have the following uniforms being worn by local law enforcement agencies:



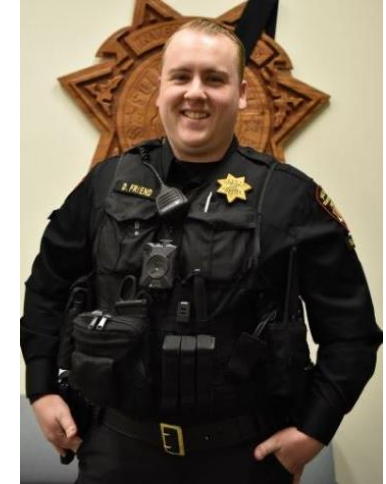
Fairfield Police



Vacaville Police



Benicia Police



Solano Sheriff

# Uniforms – Traditional

- Below are other community college police department uniforms:



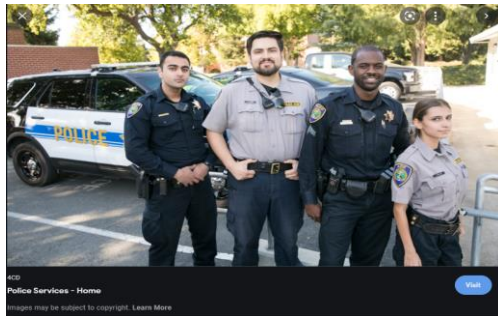
Napa Valley College



Marin College



Chaffey College



Contra Costa College



Ohlone College



Former Solano College



# Uniforms – Traditional vs. Polos

- Some colleges and universities are adopting a “softer” look to put the college community more at ease when interacting with law enforcement personnel on campus. More colleges and universities are transitioning from the “traditional” police uniform look into polos with khakis when their officers are patrolling around campuses. They still keep their “formal” wear for special events such as attending formal meetings, taking department pictures, etc.
- Below are sample of department polo and khakis uniforms:



Citrus College



USC DPS



College of San Mateo DPS

# Uniforms – More Polo Samples





# VEHICLE DECAL

- A decal on a law enforcement vehicle helps identify which agency the officer driving it is from. It's also a form of crime deterrent when driven around town or campus. It can also help those in need to flag down a law enforcement vehicle to come to their aid, etc.
- Below are some police vehicles from Solano County law enforcement agencies:



Fairfield PD



Vacaville PD



Vallejo PD



Suisun PD



Solano County Sheriff's Office

# VEHICLE DECAL

- Below are some nearby police vehicles from community college law enforcement agencies:



Marin College PD



Contra Costa College PD



Napa Valley College PD



Los Rios College PD



Foothill/De Anza College PD



# VEHICLE DECAL

- Below are some DPS vehicles from community college law enforcement agencies:



College of San Mateo DPS



Proposed SCC DPS



College of the Redwoods DPS

# RECOMMENDATIONS

- Safety Committee vote for the shield with green tree
- Safety Committee vote for the shoulder patch with green tree
- Safety Committee vote for dark blue polos and brown khakis for sworn officers and light blue polos and brown khakis for public safety officers for every day patrol on campus
- Safety Committee vote for the public safety decal for patrol vehicles



8-10 weeks



1-2 weeks



2-4 weeks



6-8 months



# QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

