



STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
IBHUNGA ELIMELE ABAFUNDI
STUDENTERAAD



UNIVERSITEIT
iYUNIVESITHI
STELLENBOSCH
UNIVERSITY

100
1918 - 2018

SRC 2021/22 TERM REPORT 2 SAFETY AND SECURITY

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

Students' Representative Council
Third Floor, Neelsie Student Centre
Private Bag XI, Matieland, 7602
Tel: +27 21 808 2757 | Email: sr@sun.ac.za



[THIMNA SOTYATO] – [SAFETY AND SECURITY] – [21717265@SUN.AC.ZA]

Table of Contents

Constitutional Responsibilities.....	2
Portfolio Overview.....	2
Committees/Task Teams	3
Term Overview.....	3
Term 2 Financial report	Error! Bookmark not defined.
Plans for next term.....	6



Constitutional Responsibilities

The Safety and Security manager as a fully recognised member of the Student Representative Council has the duty of acting in the best interest of students by actively working with the relevant structures and stakeholders to ensure the Safety and Security of students at Stellenbosch University at both Tygerberg and Stellenbosch campus. This responsibility is fulfilled by facilitating projects and initiatives to the benefit of students and to inform students continuously, and obtain feedback, about its activities via the SRC (meetings and/or media platforms). Where possible this portfolio may formulate and maintain policy regarding Safety and Security in order to ensure that the SRC performs its functions and duties effectively.

Portfolio Overview

The role of the Safety and Security portfolio manager is to perform safety reviews of SU campuses and report to the SRC and relevant institutional structures there on. They Initiate projects to further increase the safety of students and facilitate safety training such as first aid for community leaders. The Safety and Security manager also coordinates with Faculty and Community leadership to ensure safety concerns are effectively dealt with at the relevant institutional structures.

The mission of the portfolio is to work tirelessly towards promoting and ensuring the safety and security of students at Stellenbosch University at Stellenbosch and Tygerberg campus. All while fostering a culture of Zero-tolerance to GBV and empowering students with the necessary skills to defend themselves.



Committees/Task Teams

Stellenbosch Campus Safety Forum

There is one Stellenbosch Campus Safety forum including PC and SPC safety reps. These forums have the mandate of bringing safety issues affecting their constituents to the fore, so that the SRC Safety and Security manager can report these to the SRC. The Events and Security Operations Officer (Mr Brandon Como) and (Ms Melany Le Roux) the Security Systems and Intelligence Manager of Risk Management and Campus Security [will be referred to as Campus Security personnel in this report] are also a part of the Safety forum and so receive such information directly.

The safety forum allows important information and planned events pertaining to Safety and Security from the SRC to reach the relevant constituents and vice-versa.

The Tygerberg Campus Safety Forum is led by the head of TSR Student Community Needs.

The last meeting for the forum took place on the 24th of February and the details of this halt are confidential internal affairs of the SRC.

Term Overview

Registration Programme via the RegisterAll campaign

During the Registration programme I assisted my colleagues through the Funding Operations of the RegisterAll campaign.

Safety Awareness workshop

During the welcoming period of 1-13 February, Campus Security alongside the SAPS and Fire Department hosted safety awareness workshops for undergraduate and postgraduate newcomers in all Stellenbosch and Tygerberg campus residences and PSOs. These talks were essential in making newcomers aware of their role in being active role players in their safety and security at Stellenbosch University and equipping them with the knowledge of where and how to get help should they face any safety issues.

Campus Security personnel attended all the student communities. Safety reps at the various Stellenbosch and Tygerberg campus residences through the various Safety Forums were of tremendous help with assisting with the logistics of organizing their newcomers as well providing sound, a projector and taking photographs and videos at the talks.

Through the assistance of the TSR Vice-Chairperson and the head of TSR Student Community Needs the Tygermaties Safety Talk took place at the TSR Sports Hall on the 09th of February

A feedback survey for the newcomers to review these workshops was sent through the Stellenbosch and Tygerberg Safety Forums on the 3rd of February and closed at the end of the Welcoming Programme. The results revealed that the 2022 newcomers encourage these talks to be done for future newcomers.



The Prim Committee Vice-Chairperson made me aware that the Safety reps are to request safety vests from the Head of Student Communities.

Lastly, for the sustainability of the Safety workshops for future Welcoming Programmes, future portfolio holders need to consult cluster convenors to ensure that the workshops happen through the clusters together with the collaboration of the relevant stakeholders mentioned above.

First-aid training

First-aid training was planned in collaboration with Mr Brandon Como. 24 Stellenbosch University students did 2-weeks of theory and 4-hours (one day) in-person training in first-aid. The 4-hour first aid training took place on Saturday, the 26th of February at the SRC Boardroom. The 24 students that completed the training paid for themselves and that was the underlying reason as to why other Stellenbosch campus safety reps and their safety committees did not take part. The Tygermaties first aid training still needs to take place. It is important for future portfolio holders to budget for the First Aid training of the Stellenbosch campus safety reps and for the Safety reps to budget for first aid training of members of their safety committee members.

Appointment of Safety and Security Social Media subcommittee

This committee was supposed to create social media pages for the Safety and Security portfolio for the purposes of creating content aimed at educating, empowering and informing students on the work of the portfolio as well as disseminating information concerning their safety and security. Applications were opened in November and only 3 students applied. Seeing that this would not reflect a transparent procurement procedure the applications were reopened to hopefully reach the newcomers. Applications were reopened on the 03rd of February and were closed on the 28th of February. No students applied and so the Safety and Security manager will create the content and work with the SRC Social Media manager to distribute the content on the main SRC social media pages.

Report security incidents on campuses to the SRC

The relevant report and paper trail can be requested from the SRC Secretary-General.

Safety reviews of SU campuses and GBV assistance

The results of Prof Deresh's GBV survey have been requested and the SRC still awaits these. Should these not be available, questionnaires will be drafted and distributed to be completed by the student union to review their safety and security at SU campuses. His office has also been requested to provide a guideline for the SRC outlining the scope of support that student leaders can render to students reporting GBV. Support ranging from transport to the Equality Unit, transport to court proceedings and or transport to healthcare centres and even legal facilities.

Distributing pertinent safety information to students

The following SRC Update was distributed to the student union:

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together



1. Homeless people at SU

Students are encouraged not to give homeless people money and food as this poses a risk to the students' safety and security. Students should rather assist homeless people by supporting Heartflow. More information can be found in the following links: <https://bit.ly/3qeu9i9> OR <http://www.sun.ac.za/english/Lists/news/DispForm.aspx?ID=8441>

2. Information on Campus Security and the Campus Shuttle Service

Students can find the latest information on Campus Security and the Campus Shuttle Service on the following link:

<http://www.sun.ac.za/english/safety>



Budget Usage

<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount budgeted</u>	<u>Amount utilised</u>	<u>Amount available</u>
Social media awareness	R1000	R1000 (will be utilised for the R3275 pepper spray order that is currently at Status 2)	0
Pepper sprays	R1275	R1275 (will be utilised for the R3275 pepper spray order that is currently at Status 2)	0
Subcommittee end of year function	R1000	R1000 (will be utilised for the R3275 pepper spray order that is currently at Status 2)	0
Social Impact Collaboration	R400	0	R400
GBV Assistance	R1200	0	R1200
First Aid Training VP	R1000	R1000 (utilised for R2975.76 refreshments for First Aid Training)	0
First Aid Workshop	R1100	R1100 (utilised for R2975.76 refreshments for First Aid Training)	0
PC and SPC Safety Forum	R1600	R875 (utilised for R2975.76 refreshments for First Aid Training)	R725
Safety Awareness Workshop	R3600	0	R3600
Self-defence classes	R20900	0	R20900



Plans for next term

Maintain medical stock in SRC Office

The process of procuring stock for the SRC First Aid kit will be finalised in April 2022.

Report security incidents on campuses to the SRC

This will take place on a regular basis during the SRC meetings I will be attending as well as via the SRC group chat. When I receive the campus security quarterly report (which I have been promised will happen this year) will I will send a copy of this to the SRC Secretary General for the records of the SRC.

Safety reviews of SU campuses

Consultations will be planned to reach the student union directly to review their safety and security at SU. Incident reports; questionnaires and a safety imbizo where possible will be planned to see this through.

Pepper sprays for students

Pepper sprays will be purchased and distributed to students at the SRC office on dates that will be indicated through the relevant communication platforms of the SRC and the Safety and Security portfolio. Pepper sprays have over the years proven to be essential in equipping students with a tangible means of self-defence and empowering them to protect themselves. Due to issues with logistics the pepper sprays planned to be distributed in March will be distributed in April together with the April distribution.

Distributing pertinent safety information to students

Through the SRC's communication platforms, SRC meetings as well as the Safety and Security social media pages as well as the Maties newsletter, relevant information pertaining to safety awareness and update on safety issues will be disseminated to students.

It is important for the SRC Safety and Security manager to obtain access to the studentsafety@sun.ac.za email address.

Self-defence classes

Self-defence classes will be held at Stellenbosch and Tygerberg Campus. Topics that are planned include: Rape prevention and Hijack defences. These self-defence classes will hopefully take place in April, however, this will depend on the logistics. These classes will be planned in collaboration with TSR Student Community Needs; SRC WAQE and SRC Sport.



STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
IBHUNGA ELIMELE ABAFUNDI
STUDENTERAAD



UNIVERSITEIT
iYUNIVESITHI
STELLENBOSCH
UNIVERSITY



Update of 'Preferred Routes'

This portfolio will work on compiling the student union's input with regards to their take on the streets to be included and the role of Campus Security at these new streets that will be added to the Old 'Green Route'. Questionnaires will be distributed and engagements will be held with the student union to gather the student union's opinion.

Intercampus Shuttle

In partnership with the head of TSR Student Community Needs a survey due to close at the end of April has been distributed to the student union to determine whether there is a need for a shuttle between Tygerberg and Stellenbosch Campus. The results will be used as the student voice to determine whether consultations with the university management needs to take place to discuss the availability of an Intercampus Shuttle.

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

Students' Representative Council
Third Floor, Neelsie Student Centre
Private Bag XI, Matieland, 7602
Tel: +27 21 808 2757 | Email: sr@sun.ac.za