

Faculty and Student Safety
Resolutions
Passed by UHD Senate
November 7 and 21, 2006

1. The UHD Senate encourages administrators and planning bodies to consider alternative travel options for members of the UHD community who use the Washington Street Parking lot, including, but not limited to, shuttle service or an elevated walking bridge that crosses Milam and Travis.
2. And furthermore, the Senate encourages the VP of Administration to seek more adequate signage (perhaps displayed in the parking lots) to inform pedestrians of the problems associated with currently used pathways, such as the train trestle and crossing across Milam and Travis streets.
3. The Senate asks the VP of Administration and the Police Department to increase signage on campus (all buildings) to provide information about emergency procedures and contact numbers, including posting of the police department number in visible places such as elevators and stairwells, as well as in the parking garage.
4. The Senate suggests that better signage about locations of key university venues be provided, especially in high-traffic areas; a specific example is the need for information about how to get to the library (especially given that it can only be accessed from one end of the building and one set of elevators).
5. The Senate urges administrators and planning bodies to explore alternative methods for increasing our protective forces on campus, such as a safety escort service (informed by the Cougar Patrol system at UH) or increased numbers of security officers (in addition to our current number of police officer positions) who would receive adequate training in the specific needs of the university environment.
6. The Senate requests administrators develop a safety and security plan for the Shea Street Building and communicate this to the Faculty Senate. This should include plans to direct pedestrian traffic between Shea Street and One Main/Academic Buildings.
7. The Senate asks administrators to work with city officials to place adequate signage directing foot traffic to approved locations for crossings (e.g., at Wood street/Main street light).
8. The Senate authorizes the FSEC to engage in discussions with VP Apodaca and Director Thomason to develop clear procedures stemming from current policy for distribution to faculty; such procedures would hold until such time as the policy can undergo a thorough review through appropriate channels