In attendance: Bea Briggs, Eddie Gilbert, Steve Lincoln, Jenny Quintana, Amy Raymond, Bob Schulz

I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order @ 9:05 a.m. by Jenny Quintana.

II. Old Business:

A. Pedestrian/Vehicle Safety Senate Resolution - Update

Jenny Quintana has contacted Amanda of the Enviro-Business Society regarding their bike lane proposal. Amanda wants to meet with her before meeting with this committee. Bob Schulz suggested the committee see the Enviro-Business Society proposal before resubmitting our resolution to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). Once we have reviewed their proposal, the committee can decide whether to pursue our resolution separately. The SEC may be more receptive to our resolution knowing that we have considered the student proposal.

The goal of the student proposal is to encourage use of bicycles in place of cars for commuting to campus but there is no evidence that this would occur. Bicyclists can already ride on any vehicle roadway on campus as they are governed by the California Vehicle Code. Adding bike lanes to major walkways may not encourage more bicycles for commuting to campus but may encourage more biking between classes/campus buildings.

This could lead to more encounters between bikes and pedestrians and also issues of enforcement of the bike lanes.

B. Explore the feasibility of making SDSU a smoke-free campus

Jenny Quintana inquired if there were any statistics available on the cost of staff time to empty trash cans and sweep up litter from smoking. Steve Lincoln thought there might be a report or some standard formula to calculate this cost. He will check in Physical Plant to see if any data is available. This is another issue to consider in addition to the health effects of smoking.

Bob Schulz commented that even if a smoking ban is enacted it may not have the desired impact. The restrictions we have now are not always enforced because the police have other priorities and others are reluctant to confront smokers regarding the policy.

Bea Briggs reported that students often congregated to smoke outside the library. She had larger no smoking signs posted and the urns moved farther from the entrances and air intakes. Smokers have responded well to being directed to more appropriate areas. The area near the library dome presented special
challenges since cigarette butts became wedged between the pavers and caused drainage problems.

Steve Lincoln noted that there is a lot of support for no smoking in the community including smoking bans at beaches, parks, and other public areas. Now may be the time to revisit this issue.

Bea Briggs has been in contact with another group on campus that is promoting a smoke free campus and will see if their representative can attend our meeting to talk about their activities.

C. Recycling, Ways to Increase Use of Recycled Paper
Jenny Quintana asked if the auxiliaries such as Foundation are included in the CSU Buy Recycled Products Campaign. Jeff Fratt in Procurement compiles the report for the CSU and is quite interested in recycling. Amy Raymond will inquire if auxiliaries report their recycled purchases to him.

Steve Lincoln also noted that there is a common misperception that recycled content paper is inferior or causes office machines to malfunction. This may be from past experience or because the paper ordered is not of the correct weight. The recycled content papers today are much better and interchangeable with virgin paper. The other perception is that recycled content paper is more expensive but the new office products contract has kept the price difference very minimal.

Bob Schulz asked if there are any statistics of the actual benefit of using recycled content paper in terms of energy savings or environmental impact. Steve Lincoln thought he had some data he could provide on this topic.

Jenny Quintana mentioned that the CSU has already specified procurement mandates for recycled content purchases but there do not seem to be any consequences for not achieving them. SDSU has not been a leader in this area.

Amy Raymond reported that Environmental Health and Safety used the SDSUniverse to distribute the annual Asbestos Notification to SDSU employees and they seemed agreeable to running articles on other topics of interest. She will contact them regarding an article on buying recycled paper.

Steve Lincoln confirmed that all the blue bins in offices and green recycling dumpsters are now "single stream" meaning that all recyclables can be commingled including paper, glass, metal and plastic. Food and beverage containers should be rinsed in order to not attract pests. New recycling containers will be distributed as they become available. The general campus does not seem to be aware of this change so some kind of notification or article about this might be timely.

Jenny Quintana requested that information on battery and cell phone recycling on campus be distributed, either through the SDSUniverse or another format.
III. **New Business:** Eddie Gilbert reported on several items of interest from Public Safety

A. There has been a rash of laptop computer thefts recently that happened during the day while offices were open. These were very bold thieves who walked into work areas during work hours and walked out with SDSU property. Apparently the same thieves had done the same thing in a downtown office building.

Office occupants need to be aware of who is coming and going and question anyone who appears to not belong. Also, notify Public Safety if you observe anyone suspicious.

Six laptops were recovered using an undercover buy through Craig's List and a suspect was arrested. Some of the laptops contained personal information.

The thefts have prompted a review of key issue policy and the $10 fee for lost keys. It was found that an alarming number of master keys are issued and even more sub masters and many are never returned. Student's registration and graduation can be withheld for a lost key but for faculty and staff the $10 is not much of a deterrent. There is no periodic rekeying of buildings. Also, these thefts occurred while offices were open so keys or card access were not used or needed.

Bob Schulz noted that CSU campuses are considered public places and by law must remain open to the public.

B. Public Safety, Physical Plant, Environmental Health and Safety and the San Diego Fire Department held a confined space training event last week. It was an enlightening experience and demonstrated the importance of following all safety procedures when entering a confined space. The event simulated an actual rescue which is more likely to become a recovery. NIOSH statistics show that additional fatalities will likely occur when co-workers enter the confined space in an attempt to rescue their colleague. There is one San Diego Fire rescue squad based downtown that may take up to 45 minutes to respond as they will ensure that they as rescuers do not become victims themselves.

C. A campus emergency drill is being planned for spring. This will be a "shelter in place" type drill and will utilize a new campus emergency notification system. Eddie will share more information as it becomes available. The Emergency Planning Team is investigating multiple means of contacting the campus community for various emergencies that might occur. In the three campus evacuations he has experienced, there were minimal people left on campus, mostly foreign students who could not travel home. There was plenty of food, water and other necessary resources for that small number. He still advised that faculty and staff maintain their own emergency supplies, including personal medications.

D. The start of the semester safety message from Chief Browning to be sent soon.

IV. **Next Meeting Date:** Wednesday, February 13, at 9:00 a.m. in Engineering 203E

V. **Adjournment**