PUBLIC SAFETY CLUSTER MEETING AUGUST 20, 2014

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ITEM #1 – HEAT RELATED INJURIES – We began with a brief discussion on preventing heat related injuries within our programs. All programs spend time outside with both fire and criminal justice spending much more time in the elements. Further research into the development of a policy governing heat related concerns and into the equipment that would be necessary to allow for adherence to a policy is in progress.

ITEM #2 – CONSEQUENCE OF ACADEMIC DISHONESTY – We were given the task of coming up with a policy regarding academic dishonesty. Our discussion included:

- Cultural differences
- Students not knowing they are cheating, cutting and pasting for years
- Plagiarism in documents submitted
- Cheating on examinations
- Falsification of documents for clinical portions of courses
- Must define the triggering actions that would cause differences in the consequences
- Must explain the importance of strong ethics in the public safety field

It was agreed that the group would continue to work on a draft through the chair with the goal of having a draft ready for the October cluster meeting.

We also discussed the third floor computer testing room and the possibility of adding cameras to improve testing security.

End of report.