**Committee Charter**

**Committee Name:** University Policing

**Purpose:**

The University Policing Committee shall be responsible for monitoring legislative, political and technical issues that relate specifically to university police departments and their successful operation. The committee shall develop programs and methods to facilitate communication and cooperation among the university police departments and between those departments and their surrounding city police departments and/or county sheriff’s offices.

**Authority:**

The University Policing Committee shall have the authority to make recommendations to the Executive Board and other WASPC Committees regarding the development of positions on issues relating to public safety at institutions of higher education. The University Policing Committee may make recommendations to member agencies regarding programs and methods to facilitate communication and cooperation between or among neighboring agencies.

**Membership:**

The members of the University Policing Committee shall be the chiefs of police from the six public four-year institutions of higher education, or their designees; the chiefs and/or sheriffs of each city and/or county agency whose jurisdictional boundaries include all or part of one of those six institutions, or their designees; and associate members of WASPC representing state community or technical colleges and/or private institutions of higher education.

**Chairperson:**

The University Policing Committee shall recommend a Committee Chair and Co-Chair subject to appointment by the President. It is preferred that the Chair and Co-Chair are selected from the six chiefs of the State’s four-year institutions.

**Duties:**

* The committee shall review legislation submitted that affects or influences law enforcement or public safety at institutions of higher education. The committee shall make recommendations to the WASPC Legislative Committee as to the WASPC position on legislative initiatives.
* The committee may make recommendations on issues involving policing and public safety at institutions of higher education.
* The committee shall provide information to the general membership of WASPC regarding issues within its purview, which may be of interest or concern to those agencies.