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FOI Record 4 - May 11 - 16_Redacted at 286

From: s.17(1)+s.17(4)(d)+s.17(4)(g)(i)(ii)
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 10:10 AM
To: UCalgary Alumni <alumni@ucalgary.ca>
Subject: Palestinian protest at University of Calgary

[△EXTERNAL]

Good morning,

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I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to send a note to convey my disappointment at the University of Calgary for the speed and intensity with which the Palestinian Protests were removed over the weekend.

s.17(1)+s.17(4)(d)+s.17(4)(g)(i) it was disappointing to see the university act in the manner it did. I'm not even fully supportive of the entirety of the campus protests' cause, but I do strongly believe that people (and especially young students) should have the right to non-violent protests, especially within the safety of a university environment. The images of police in riot gear rolling into squash an encampment that had only been up for a few hours is pretty disheartening and disappointing, to say the least.

I fully understand that since I'm not a large donor or overtly active within the Alumni community my words might not mean much, but for the first time since graduating from the university, I feel like there is a bit of a black cloud hanging over it in my mind and I'm disappointed to be associated with it.

I also find it ironic that as students in the 2000s we had to endure walking from the C-Train station with graphic images from anti-abortion activists daily for months, but a small gathering of students setting up an encampment is squashed with riot police within a few hours.

Thank you for your time.

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Hi [REDACTED],

Per our conversation, attached is the sheet we provided those who set up encampments which outlines the policies in question. Temporary structures in protests have not been allowed for some time. To answer your question about dates, and to provide the full policies:

- Use of University Facilities for Non-Academic Purposes Policy has an effective date of March 2010 and was last substantively updated in 2015.
- Special Events Program has an effective date of February 2007 and was last substantively updated in 2020.
- ELT directive was established clarifying that the permission required for temporary structures in the Special Events Program would not be given on April 29. This was not seen as a change in policy, but an attempt to clarify existing policies.

Our Statement on Free Expression is also relevant. Created in 2019, it articulates the right to free expression and its limits, and clearly articulates that we may "reasonably regulate the time, place, and manner of expression to ensure that it does not disrupt the ordinary activities of the institution."

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From: Rick Gysen <jgysen@ucalgary.ca>
Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2024 7:15 AM
To: Quentin Blindenbach; Zain Kelly; Dan Kim; MEEMS
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Encampment started

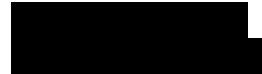
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Good Morning,

We have had an encampment set up this morning in our south quad. 12 - 15 tents, 20 +people. Pallets, signs. No media yet.

Dist 3 gathering in at the stadium, not sure what the plan is.

Rick Gysen (He / Him)
Director, Campus Security



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Subject: Community Concern scan, May 14, 8 AM

Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 8:01:43 AM Mountain Daylight Saving Time

From: Heath McCoy

To: Penny Werthner, Ed McCauley, Ron Kim, Jacqueline Lacasse, William Ghali, John Kincaid, Bob Maber, Rick Gysen, Stuart Nicol, Corey Hogan, Amber Rushton, Sarah McGinnis, Michael Van Hee, Andrea Morris

CC: [REDACTED]

Attachments: image.png, Outlook-signature_.jpg, image001.png, Screenshot 2024-05-14 at 7.52.02 AM.png, Screenshot 2024-05-14 at 7.40.33 AM.png

Good morning, everybody.

A bit of an uptick on social media posts this morning. Worth noting though that the vast majority of them are in response to this Tweet from last night, by a [REDACTED] student ([REDACTED]) who reports of being assaulted. (Many of the responses are very negative towards her as well).

[https://twitter.com/\[REDACTED\]](https://twitter.com/[REDACTED])

I've also attached a graph of said uptick. Still down considerably from the volume we were receiving towards the end of last week when the encampment went up.

At this time not seeing any concrete talk of new rallies but will continue to dive deep through the day.

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