

Minutes
Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee
Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2025, 3 p.m., SGA Chambers

- I. Chair Police Chief Les Jackson called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. Members in attendance included Ms. Susan Breer, Ms. Sheena Burgreen, Ms. Cindy Conlon, Ms. Michelle Eubanks, Dr. Amanda Hitt, Mr. Ethan Humphres, Mr. Jayson Jackson (proxy for Jennifer Sutton), Dr. Molly Mathis, Ms. Mackenzie Mwaura, Dr. Kimberly Minges, Mr. Jarrod Russell (proxy for Mr. Randall Phifer), Mr. Parker Seward, Mr. Wesley Tidwell, Dr. Hunter Waldman, Dr. KC White, and Ms. Angela Zwissler. Others present were UPD officers Sgt. Greg Kirby and Sgt. Bill White, and Kay Guillet and Huntir Cramer from the National Weather Service in Huntsville.
- II. Today's agenda and minutes from [October 15, 2025](#), were approved by acclamation.
- III. Ms. Guillet, NWS warning coordination meteorologist, and Huntir Cramer, NWS meteorologist, gave an overview of the NWS, its available services, and duties.
- IV. Annual Tasks
 - A. Update on subcommittees
 1. Video cameras – Mr. Russell said cameras were added at Nobles Crossing, Olive Hall, and the amphitheater. The group discussed involving UPD in determining whether cameras will be needed at new buildings. Lions Gate now has better coverage as well.
 2. No updates on emergency procedures or UNA Emergency Manual.
 - B. [FEMA ICS](#) certificates [100](#), [200](#), [700](#) are now accessible online. Please complete 100 by the January meeting and 200 by the end of spring semester.
- V. The new Lion Alert notification system is up and running. The app has 821 downloads, and 771 users have enabled push notifications. Dispatch has monitored 14 virtual walk homes, 16 friend walks, and received 1 tip on a robbery. Only 291 users have added their mobile contacts to the new Rave desktop system. Chief Jackson asked that University Media & PR review Rave's alert templates. Visitor stickers have been updated and will be posted so visitors can get notifications.
- VI. UPD will discuss emergency color-code system expansion with University Media & PR.
- VII. Other business:
 - A. Tabletop exercise for spring will be in April. Evacuation drills will take place in spring.
 - B. Ms. Mwaura suggested incorporating Lion Alert app into campus tours instead of blue poles as well as adding maps of tornado shelters and parking lots.
 - C. Mr. Humphres reported that the "blue pole" phone outside the science building is no longer functioning; the camera still works. After a motion by Ms. Zwissler and a second by Ms. Burgreen, the group approved removing the phone, camouflaging the pole to make it look less like a "blue pole," and leaving the camera. As this happens in the future, the group will decide what action to take based on the location of the "blue pole."
- VIII. After a motion by Ms. Conlon and a second by Dr. Hitt, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.