

MEMORANDUM

To: University Community

From: Mark B. Rosenberg, President

Date: April 28, 2011

Subject: FIU Police Department

The University Police Department now reports to CFO and Senior Vice President Kenneth Jessell. You may recall that last spring I asked Dr. Jessell to spearhead the implementation of refinements we made to our emergency response system. At that time he took responsibility for the Office of Emergency Management, which of course, works very closely with the Police Department. Therefore, it makes sense that this unit also report to him.

I would like to thank Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Rosa Jones who has overseen the police department since 2006 and is largely responsible for managing its growth as the university community has grown. Even during the economic challenges of recent years, the department has continued to grow in line with FIU's commitment to safety and we have improved our officer to student ratio, adding several officers over the past four years and increasing the presence of officers within our student residential life community.

Over the past six years, University Police Chief Bill King has led our police force in an exemplary manner. He enhanced the concept of community policing at FIU, improving the relationship between public safety and the university community. Chief King also has led us through a long process that has resulted in the University Police Department moving to terrific new headquarters on the first floor of PG5. This new home is very important to the police department staff and for the visibility of public safety within our university.

After nearly 37 years in law enforcement -- which include 25 years with Michigan State Police, three years as Deputy Chief at the Ypsilanti (Michigan) Police Department and three years as Chief of Police at Wayne State University in Detroit -- Chief King will be retiring.

Chief King's experience will continue to serve the university well and he will assist in the transition as we launch a national search for a new police chief. In the interim, Captain Alphonse Ianniello has agreed to provide leadership for the department. As a university community we thank Chief King for his dedication and commitment to FIU. We wish him a happy and enjoyable retirement.

The safety and security of our entire university community is central to everything we do at FIU. As we embark on a new era of growth, we look to the police and emergency management teams to help us maintain a safe environment where we thrive intellectually and stay Worlds Ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark B. Rosenberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President