2022 SEC Police Chiefs & Emergency Managers Conference



Welcome Letter

Attendees,

Welcome to the 2022 SEC Police Chiefs and Emergency Managers Conference. Throughout the next couple of days, expect to participate and network with our SEC partners on important topics that are pertinent to our responsibilities. From leadership, lessons learned, tours, updates, accomplished speakers, vendor products, and fun, this conference has a lot to offer. Please look through the agenda, as this will be your guide on what's happening. The agenda contains helpful information about local restaurants, as well as an itemized itinerary. There is also a section featuring information about who will be speaking in our various sessions, and a little bit of their background. If you have any questions, please reach out to Director Gahagans or Jessica Post. They are both knowledgeable about anything and everything for this conference. Their contact information is on the back of the agenda.

Again, welcome to OUR conference. We hope to see you on April 4-6 2022, in beautiful Northwest Arkansas, home of the Arkansas Razorbacks. For those coming in on April 4, we are planning a cookout and hangout at the home of one of our staff members starting about 6:00 pm.

Woo Pig!

University of Arkansas Police Department



Agenda

| Monday, April 4 | |
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| 3:00-5:00 p.m. | Conference Check-In at The Graduate Hotel Lobby |
| | 70 N East Ave, Fayetteville, AR 72701 |
| Meal Options | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Transportation leaves for dinner and networking at Crandall Edwards' house |
| | Transportation will also be provided back to The Graduate Hotel |
| Other Meal Options | A short walk from The Graduate Hotel: |
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| | Hugo's, two-minute walk |
| | You can't go wrong with any cheeseburger! |
| | A Taste of Thai, two-minute walk |
| | Try the Pad See Ew or Pa Nang Curry! You really can't go wrong! |
| | If you're looking for a short drive: |
| | Hammontree's, 10-minute walk or 5-minute drive (parking is \$1/hour) |
| | Yes, they specialize in grilled cheese. |
| | Rolando's Restaurante, 8-minute walk or 3-minute drive (1-hr free parking) |
| | Latin American food that is as colorful as it is delicious! |

Tuesday Agenda

Tuesday, April 5

| 6:30-8:00 a.m. | Breakfast and Vendor Presentations at The Graduate Hotel |
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| 8:00-8:15 a.m. | Break |
| 8:15-8:30 a.m. | Opening Remarks |
| | Dr. Charles Robinson, Interim Chancellor of the University of Arkansas Ann Bordelon, Vice Chancellor for Finance & Administration |
| 8:30-10:00a.m. | Leadership and Trends in Law Enforcement/Clery Steven J. Healy, Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of Margolis Healy |
| 10:00-10:15 a.m. | Break |
| 10:15-11:45 a.m. | Breakout Sessions Law Enforcement <i>Chief Stephen Gahagans</i> Emergency Managers (transportation provided to EOC) Captain Matt Mills and Jessica Post |
| 11:45-11:55 a.m. | Transportation Provided for Lunch |
| 12:00-1:00 p.m. | Lunch Jerry and Gene Jones Student-Athlete Success Center Sponsored by University of Arkansas Intercollegiate Athletics |
| 1:00-2:00 p.m. | Guns and Campus Homicides Dr. Stephen K. Boss |
| 2:00 p.m. | Athletic Tour and Pictures |
| 4:00 p.m. | Transportation provided back to The Graduate Hotel |
| 5:30 p.m. | Transportation provided to Baum-Walker Baseball Stadium |
| 6:00 p.m. | Dinner Provided at the Chancellors Suite at Baum-Walker Baseball Stadium Arkansas vs. University of Central Arkansas Sponsored by Raymond James |
| 8:30 p.m. | Transportation Provided back to The Graduate Hotel |
| 9:00 p.m. | Hospitality Sponsored by Voice Products |

Wednesday Agenda

Wednesday, April 6

| 6:30-8:00 a.m. | Breakfast and Vendor Presentations at The Graduate Hotel |
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| 8:00-9:30 a.m. | New Haven, CT Shooting Incident and Leadership Chief Ronnell Higgins, Director of Public Safety at Yale University |
| 9:30-9:45 a.m. | Break |
| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Las Vegas Shooting Chief Greg Cassell, Retired Clark County Fire Department |
| 11:15-12:00 p.m. | Breakout Sessions LE Roundtable Discussion Chief Stephen Gahagans |
| | EM Roundtable Discussion Captain Matt Mills and Jessica Post |
| 12:00-1:15 p.m. | Lunch and Vendor Presentations The Graduate Hotel |
| 1:15 p.m. | Transportation provided to Walmart Emergency Operations Center |
| 2:00-4:00 p.m. | Tour of Walmart Emergency Operations Center Lucas McDonald, Director, Emergency Operations |
| 4:00 p.m. | Transportation provided to Topgolf |
| 4:30-5:30 p.m. | Future Conference Discussion |
| 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Dinner at Topgolf, Rogers, Arkansas Sponsored by CriticalArc |
| 7:30 p.m. | Transportation provided back to The Graduate Hotel |
| 9:00 p.m. | Hospitality Sponsored by Voice Products |

Speaker Overviews



Dr. Charles Robinson Interim Chancellor of the University of Arkansas

Dr. Robinson has been serving the U of A campus for over 20 years, in several different capacities and with several different promotions. He has successfully advocated for diversity and inclusion, student success, and the further development of the campus to meet the needs of students. He consistantly represents the students who are otherwise under-represented. Robinson is a large reason why the University was able to build Adohi Hall, expanded Pat Walker Health Center, and led strategic planning on the university's Student Success Center.

Throughout his tenure at the University of Arkansas, Robinson has consistently led institutional progress in diversity recruitment, student success, and retention and graduation efforts, while articulating new academic initiatives and development goals to better serve campus and meet the needs of students.



Ann Bordelon Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

Mrs. Ann Bordelon, a seasoned finance executive with experience ranging from the world's largest company to regional entrepreneurial ventures, was appointed as vice chancellor for finance and administration effective July 1, 2020.

A native of Arkansas, Bordelon has spent the majority of her career with Walmart and Ernst & Young. During her nearly 13-year tenure at Walmart, Bordelon served in various executive finance roles including chief financial officer of Sam's Club, chief financial officer of Walmart Asia, and global chief audit executive.

Following her retirement from Walmart, Bordelon worked with a start-up company in the medical diagnostic space and then as the chief financial officer of Mitchell Communications. She also serves on the board of America's Car-Mart and PHD Group Holdings LLC.



Steven J. Healy Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of Margolis Healy

Steven J. Healy is the co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of Margolis Healy. Steven is a nationally recognized expert on campus safety, the Clery Act and Title IX. From an academic and research perspective, Steven is keenly interested in how schools and colleges resource and support safety and security initiatives and how campus safety agencies engage with members of their campus communities.

He serves as a subject-matter expert for the U.S. Departments of Education and Justice. He testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on the topic of "Security on America's Campuses" and to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Education and Labor on the topic of "Best Practices for Keeping America's Campuses Safe." At the request of the U.S. Department of Education, he was asked to serve on a special working group developing emergency management planning guidelines for the higher education community.

From 2003 through 2009, he was the Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police at Princeton University where he led the University's safety, security, and law enforcement programs and is credited with enhancing and expanding the department's overall professionalism and capabilities through improved leadership, additional personnel, significant strategic investments in training, updated equipment, new computer systems and a relocation to a technologically advanced facility. Before Princeton, Steven was the Chief of Police at Wellesley College in Wellesley, MA. He also served as Director of Operations at the Department of Public Safety at Syracuse University for five years.

A past president of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA (2006 – 2007)), Steven served as a member of the association's Government Relations Committee for 13 years and was the IACLEA Regional Director for the North Atlantic Region during his tenure at Wellesley. As president of IACLEA, Steven contributed significantly to the national dialogue about campus safety and security in the aftermath of the tragic rampage-shooting incident at Virginia Tech University in April 2007.



Dr. Steven K. Boss Professor of Environmental Dynamics & Sustainability

Stephen K. Boss is Professor of Environmental Dynamics & Sustainability at the University of Arkansas. He published "Guns and College Homicide: The Case to Prohibit Firearms on Campus" (McFarland & Company, Inc.) in 2019. Drawing on crime data submitted in compliance with the Clery Act and public reports of those crimes, this book inventoried every documented homicide at a U.S. college or university between 2001 and 2016, making a compelling argument for using gun-safe campuses as guides for broader public safety. He continues to work with non-profit organizations committed to preventing gun violence and maintains an updated database of on-campus homicides. Professor Boss holds a B.S. magna cum laude in geology from Bemidji State University, an M.S. in geology from Utah State University, and a Ph.D. in marine sciences from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. From 2002-2015, he served as director of the interdisciplinary doctoral program in Environmental Dynamics at the University of Arkansas. Boss was the architect of sustainability curricula at the University of Arkansas and from 2010-2015 also served as director of Sustainability Academic Programs. He considers himself an interdisciplinary scientist and has ongoing eclectic research interests.



Chief Ronnell Higgins Director of Public Safety at Yale University

Chief Ronnell Higgins has served as Chief of Police at Yale Univeristy for ten years. He is responsible for implimenting practices that promote crime reduction, as well as ensuring a safe campus and community environment. In addition to his professional career accomplishments, he holds many certifications and degrees, including a Master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security as well as a Bachelor's degree in Law Enforcement Administration from the University of New Haven.



Chief Greg Cassell Retired Clark County Fire Department

Prior to his retirement, Greg Cassell spent 31 years with the Clark County Fire Department, his last five years as the fire chief. Prior to his appointment to the position of fire chief in 2015, he served as a firefighter/paramedic, fire engineer, fire captain, and battalion chief. He has extensive background in USAR and technical rescue operations, training for fire and EMS topics and a wide range of program development.

Chief Cassell has participated in many different working groups that have collectively brought about change related to how the fire departments in Southern Nevada interact with each other on a daily basis. He has lectured nationally on several topics related to command and control, high-rise fire operations, and, most recently, on the benefits of forming relationships with local law enforcement agencies.

Chief Cassell is a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), IAFC Western State Fire Chiefs Association and is member of the IAFC Terrorism/Homeland Security Committee. Along with completing the IAFC's Fire Service Executive Development Institute (FSEDI) he has two Associate Degrees from the College of Southern Nevada and two Bachelor Degrees from Colorado State University. For any questions, please contact:

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