March 10, 2015

To: Vice President Valentino

Re: February Report on Arming Implementation

This is the ninth monthly update of progress made in the arming implementation plan. This report covers the month of February, 2015.

URI POLICE ARMING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: The committee met twice during the month of February. During the February 12th meeting, the committee discussed further changes to the Use of Force policy and made their final recommendations. At the February 26th meeting, the committee spent most of the time discussing proposed changes to the Police Complaint Procedure and how a new Police Complaint form would be delivered to the Director of Public Safety. A revised version of the Procedure and the Complaint Form will be ready for the March 12th meeting.

SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE FACILITY: The flooring was completed and wiring was installed for the camera system. The handgun storage cabinets were ordered. The HVAC system is next to be installed along with the security locks for the door.

PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTS: The remainder of the written portion of the psychological tests was administered during the month of February. A number of the officers also had their oral interviews during the month and the remainder will occur in early March.

TRAINING: Colonel Mark Porter of the Brown University Police conducted a four hour training session on Ethics and Campus Community Policing. Half of the department received the training on February 18th. The remainder of the department was rescheduled to March 10th due to weather related issues. Lieutenant Michael Donohue attended a three day training on Domestic Violence. He now joins Lieutenant Kenneth Olsen as a state certified Domestic Violence Instructor.

HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES: The final four candidates for the University Police Major’s position had their on-campus interviews from the end of January through February 20th. The Search Committee met on February 27th and made their findings known to Vice President Valentino.