

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

February 26, 2020 Milam 119, 2:30 – 4:00 pm Meeting Summary

Members Present: Mike Bamberger, Laura Beaver, Rachel Burgess, Carrie Burkholder, Marcia Dickson, Keith Foster, Samuel Gras, Stephanie Harrison, Mike Mayers, Jennifer McKay, Heidi Melton (Chair), Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Brian Stroup

Members Absent: Martha Adams (alt), Okan Agirseven, Tim Borgen, Chandra Char, Tom Doyle (alt), Bryan Feyerherm (alt), Dan Kermoyan, Barbara Lerwick (alt), Ariel Leshchinsky, Denis Looney, Jon-Michael McDaniel, Christina McKnight (alt), Jim Patton, Debi Rothermund (alt), Marcus Silkman, Tarrigon Van Denburg

Meeting was called to order at 2:35 by Heidi Melton, Chair

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ryan reported that with new personnel from the Corvallis Fire Department accompanying OSU fire inspectors, the inspection of Magruder took 6 ½ hours. The length of inspections will be reduced once the inspectors become familiar with the buildings, but will be longer than normal for a while.

Jennifer was interested in the information on the MARS 6 lab microwave fires, as she is about to order one for her lab. She will contact Jim Patton prior to ordering.

Mike moved that the minutes from the January 22 meeting be approved as written; Sam seconded. Minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Policy Review Work Group Dan K will be asked to contact the policy makers regarding the status of the overarching safety policy for the university.
- Safety Walks only two have not been completed. Route 14 is assigned to Debi; Rachel will complete route 5.

REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS

Heidi proposes doing some outreach/training on root cause analysis for supervisors. This would help them better complete accident reports and suggest appropriate corrective actions.

Masks and gloves have been purchased for Public Safety vehicles.

The accident involving an individual stepping on a nail serves as a reminder that all worksites should be cleaned up at the end of each workday.

An individual suffered burning eyes and respiratory trouble after improperly disposing of chemicals.

Machelle Bamberger, Hazardous Waste Safety Officer, will be asked to investigate.

The student worker who was injured at the Dairy Barn suffered a concussion and is still off work and has had to withdraw from classes. Marcus and Dan will look at the pinch point and discuss engineering, training, and protocols.

Recommended corrective actions are being implemented at the Wave Lab now. Most information about the accident is being held under attorney privilege.

Mike and Heidi are working with SAIF data to develop accident trending reports and will share at the next meeting.

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS UPDATE

Reports and inspection schedules are posted on the EH&S website.

FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE/SAFETY WORK ORDERS

- Most response were odor related, including a drain trap at University Plaza (added water to resolve); Kerr men's restroom – no cause found
- A fume hood was repaired at Wiegand Hall

EH&S ON-CALL LOG/REPORT OF UNSAFE CONDITIONS

• No report this month

NEW BUSINESS

Sam discussed the response plan for the Coronavirus.

- Standard precautions must be taken (hand washing, not touching face, etc.)
- The availability of hand sanitizers has been increased in dorms
- This will likely become a pandemic
- People need to be aware of bias toward others and to not perpetuate it
- If students or workers have upcoming travel plans, they should consult OSU GO and/or Occupational Medicine/Student Health
- The Provost is getting information out to all
- The infectious disease response plan is available on the web; the plan will apply to the Coronavirus
- People should be prepared to self-isolate for 2 weeks if they have or believe they have been exposed; keep supplies on hand
- The incubation period is unclear at this time
- If you get a fever, self-isolate and monitor health
- University Housing and Dining is scenario planning

ACTION ITEMS

From last month:

- Debi will complete the safety walk for route 14
- Rachel will complete the safety walk for route 5
- Marcus will send a link to SAIF resources to Heidi for inclusion in OSU Today.
- Heidi will reach out to Rae Delay at Property Services.

- Dan and Marcus will meet with groups such as MU, UHDS, FS, and Surplus to discuss issues with moving heavy items, available resources, and preplanning.
- Heidi will set up a meeting with Mike B, Dave Adams (SAIF), Dan K, and Marcus. Only Mike and Heidi are working on this. Will report next month (March).

From this meeting:

- Jennifer will contact Jim Patton prior to ordering a lab microwave.
- Marcus will ask Machelle Bamberger, Hazardous Waste Safety Officer, to investigate the improper hazardous waste disposal at Cordley.
- Marcus and Dan will look at the pinch point and discuss engineering, training, and protocols the Dairy Barn.
- Mike and Heidi will work with SAIF data to develop accident trending reports and will share at the next meeting.

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In February, EH&S recorded the following trainings, which involved 87 departments:

Feb 2020	Course
37	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
2	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
5	NIH Guidelines
35	Hazardous waste training
2	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
30	Universal waste handling
	Formaldehyde safety
30	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
300	General laboratory safety
1	Controlled substances
48	Animal handler safety
	Noise and hearing conservation
32	Respirator training/fit testing
5	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
10	Asbestos awareness
4	Confined Space
16	Crane and hoist safety
	Crane and Hoist Rigging and Signalling + 4 train-the-trainer
31	Electrical safety
	Farm electrical safety
	Fire extinguisher
2	Forklift operator
1	Hazard Communication booklet review
48	
	Ladder safety
	Lock-out/tag-out
	Machine guarding
15	Office and general safety

1	Personal protective equipment
13	Supervisor safety responsibilities
0	Initial isotope user
5	Isotope user refresher
7	Laser safety
0	Nuclear gauge training
1	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
7	X-ray machine safety

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm.

NEXT MEETING
Wednesday, March 25, 2020, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119