

# **University Health and Safety Committee**

Minutes from the July 25, 2018 meeting Milam 119, 2:30 – 4:00 pm

**Members Present:** Heidi Melton (Chair), Okan Agirseven, Jessica Armstrong, Carrie Burkholder, Samuel Gras, Stephanie Harrison, Ariel Leshchinsky, Jennifer McKay, Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Debi Rothermund, Marcus Silkman, Heather Wall, Rachel Ziegler

**Members Absent:** Marcia Dickson, Bryan Feyerherm, Dan Kermoyan, Mike Bamberger, Steve Beaudoin, Tim Borgen, Erin Frost, Victoria Heiduschke, Patrick Hughes, Mike Mayers, Christina McKnight, Jim Patton, Roshni Sabedra, Aimee Scrivens, Brian Stroup

The meeting was called to order at 3:00by Heidi Melton, Chair.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed and approved. Heidi noted that the College of Engineering has suggested Tarrigon Van Denburg, Safety Manager, as a representative for this committee. Heidi has invited Tarrigon to join.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 3.1.1 Subcommittee for Safety Recognition and Awards Heidi will email the latest version of the draft plan for the program to committee members. Edits and comments should go to Heidi by the end of next week. The plan will be simple to begin with, without specific criteria in the early stages of implementation.
- 3.2 Policy Review Work Group Dan K should have a draft available at the next meeting. There will be an overarching safety policy for the university. Dan is still working out what needs to be in the policy, according to OSHA, etc.
- 3.3 Safety Walks Kay will send a copy of the routes and instructions to the committee.
- 3.4. Subcommittee for UHSC goals is currently on hold.

### ACCIDENT AND INSPECTION REPORTS

- 4.1 Accident reports
  - There was a brief discussion clarifying who is covered by the accident/incident reports
    that are reviewed at these meetings. Employees (including student workers) are the
    only individuals included in these reports. All accidents/incidents must be reported
    through the system (HR Advocate Public Incident Report Form). Non-employee
    incidents are routed to Risk Management.
- 4.2 Fire inspection schedules and reports are available on the web; the schedule is also listed in the UHSC box.
- 4.3 Facilities monthly life/safety work orders raw sewage smell at Cascade Hall and a burning smell in Gilmore; no cause was found at either location,
- 4.4 EH&S responded gas smells at the Women's Building and Milam, and a broken mercury thermometer at Linus Pauling.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 5.1 The Coalition of Graduate Students held a steward council meeting and noted the following safety items. It was suggested that these items be brought to the attention of the appropriate building managers.
  - Hovland Hall idling trucks outside the building cause air quality issues
  - Kelley Engineering air circulation on the fourth floor is a problem
  - Graf Hall no heat or air conditioning
  - CEOAS no air conditioning
  - Composites lab is venting into the building
- 5.2 Phillips has recalled some AEDs (automated external defibrillators), which will need to be replaced.

## **SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE**

In July, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 76 departments:

May 2018	Course
98	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
14	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
9	NIH Guidelines
4	Hazardous materials technician
270	Hazardous waste training
4	HAZWOPER training
1	Shipping dangerous goods by air IATA
3	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
120	Universal waste handling
22	Formaldehyde safety
21	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
149	General laboratory safety
45	Animal handler safety
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5	Respirator training/fit testing (includes 2 PAPR)
3	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
28	Asbestos awareness
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0	Golf cart/utility vehicle
	Office and general safety
2	Restricted isotope shipper
1	Isotope user orientation
2	Isotope user refresher
6	Laser safety
3	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
3	X-ray machine safety

In addition to the above, Heidi provided training on workers' compensation to 12 people in Recreational Sports.

**NEXT MEETING:** August 22, 2018, Milam 119 2:30 – 4:00.