

# **University Health and Safety Committee**

Minutes from the June 27, 2018 meeting Milam 119, 2:30 – 4:00 pm

**Members Present:** Heidi Melton (Chair), Carrie Burkholder, Bryan Feyerherm, Marcia Dickson, Stephanie Harrison, Kay Miller, Mike Mayers, Christina McKnight, Ryan Mitchell, Debi Rothermund, Marcus Silkman

**Members Absent:** Jessica Armstrong, Samuel Gras, Dan Kermoyan, Mike Bamberger, Steve Beaudoin, Tim Borgen, Erin Frost, Victoria Heiduschke, Patrick Hughes, Ariel Leshchinsky, Jennifer McKay, Jim Patton, Roshni Sabedra, Aimee Scrivens, Brian Stroup, Heather Wall, Rachel Ziegler

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and approved, with one correction to the list of attendees.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 3.1 Subcommittee for Safety Recognition and Awards Heidi provided two drafts of the program outline for the committee's input. The general plan is to roll out the program in the fall, with the first awards given in December or January. Awards will be given quarterly during the academic year (none in summer). There may be a small budget associated with the program, through either Enterprise Risk Services or the Vice President for Finance's office, or possibly other departments on campus. Committee members should provide comments on the program outline to Heidi prior to the next meeting.
- 3.2 Policy Review Work Group Dan K should have a draft available at the next meeting.
- 3.3 Safety Walks The Qualtrics form is in place and emails were sent to committee members with instructions, maps, etc.
- 3.4. Subcommittee for UHSC goals is currently on hold. Will wait for the policy review group to get their process in order first.

## **ACCIDENT AND INSPECTION REPORTS**

- 4.1 Accident reports
  - The MU had an individual suffer an allergic reaction to some food while at work, requiring an ambulance. They were treated and released.
  - Marcus has looked into eye injuries and whether safety glasses/goggles were used. He
    has begun stressing the need to wear safety glasses to workers and supervisors.
    Supervisors are responsible to see that their employees use the personal protective
    equipment they are provided, but employees are ultimately responsible to wear it.
- 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 mainly odor complaints (Milam, gas no cause found; Gilbert, burning light ballast; Owen, burning no cause found; Women's Building, gas no cause found). Also mold abatement at Halsell Hall,
- 4.4 EH&S responded to some odor complaints and found either no cause or caused by a dry drain.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 5.1 The College of Engineering now has a safety manager Tarrigon Van Denburg. Heidi will invite Tarrigon to join the committee.
- 5.2 Reminder if SAIF or OSHA is on campus, let EH&S and Heidi know.

#### SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In June, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 88 departments:

May 2018	Course
62	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
34	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
4	NIH Guidelines
1	Hazardous materials technician
1	Ethanol emergency response
273	Hazardous waste training
	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
160	Universal waste handling
	Formaldehyde safety
	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
	General laboratory safety
53	Animal handler safety
41	Noise and hearing conservation
12	J J /
12	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
4	Asbestos awareness
68	Fire extinguisher
2	Forklift operator
230	Globally harmonized system/HazCom/SDS
1	Golf cart/utility vehicle
32	Office and general safety
8	Isotope user orientation
1	Isotope user refresher
8	Laser safety
2	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
3	X-ray machine safety

**NEXT MEETING:** July 25, 2018, Milam 119 2:30 – 4:00.