

# Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

## Summary of the April 28, 2010 meeting

Revised 5/19/10

**Members present:** Martha Adams, Drew Desilet, Rainier Farmer, Bryan Feyerherm, Joyce Fred, Karin Hardin, Sherri Hawkins, Dan Kermoyan, Jim Kiser, Heidi Melton, Kay Miller, Becky Paasch, Jennifer Stewart (chair)

**Members absent:** Jim Ervin, Gary Fuszek

**Guest:** Kathlyn (OHSU intern)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** March minutes approved.

### **INCIDENT STATISTICS AND REPORTS.**

First Aid 3/24/10: cat bite (Vet Med) – Case became a medical treatment.

Medical Treatment 3/4/10: back strain (Comm Relations) – Case became a time loss. Question of why employee was moving dividing wall panels.

Medical Treatment 3/12/10: shoulder strain (Athletics) – Employee was attempting to keep a parent away from a referee – filed charges against the parent.

Time Loss 2/26/10: ankle injury (Zoology) – Employee broke ankle racing in hallway with wet shoes.

Time Loss 3/1/10: teeth loss injury (UHDS) – Employee missed a couple of days of work. Was not holding the end of the pressure washer hose when it was turned on. Supervisors have discussed this issue with the employee.

Time Loss 3/8/10: stomach injury (Ag Exp Sta) – Why was employee lifting a 100lb cooler? Dan will check if someone else was helping lift the cooler.

Time Loss 3/24/10: back injury (OUS) – May not be a work related injury. Question – if an elevator is not working, how does a disabled employee get to their work area if not on the main floor? Practice has been to have the employee not come to work or set up an office location on the main floor.

### **SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT.**

Members notify Dan Kermoyan if they would like to accompany the inspectors on an inspection. Dan shared the May schedule.

### **SAFETY IN MOTION®**

Jim Ervin attended the SAIF Safety in Motion® training.

“Safety in Motion® is a system for enabling employees and managers to recognize and control risk factors associated with causation of musculoskeletal strain and pain.”

“The training is divided into four modules based on the ways people do tasks, across all industries, and not exact job descriptions. Each module teaches workers how to use their bodies to accomplish *any task* safely.”

SAIF would like OSU to offer the training to all employees at one time. How would we do this? The training itself is free.

- Offer each quarter for new employees after the initial training?
- The training is also offered online.
- If all OSU employees at one time, where to have it?
- Include student employees? Could offer training on Blackboard
- Focus on four high risk groups first – UHDS, Agriculture, Forestry, Vet Med?

Committee will invite Bill White from SAIF to provide a sample 30 min. training

### **POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW**

No policies or procedures were reviewed.

### **SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE.**

Safety training recorded by Environmental Health and Safety for April

### **ACTION ITEM UPDATES.**

AED Inventory – Dan will continue discussion next meeting.

Transportation of first aid cases by public safety – Dan will review information from Martha. Currently if no blood or body fluids exposure, public safety will transport to the OSU Health Clinic (website – Dan & Jennifer will follow up with public safety directly). Whether or not someone is transported is at the discretion of the officer. Send Dan information on your departments procedures of 911 and non-911 transport and Jennifer will send Dan information she has received from Heidi.

Wacoma AED – Dan will follow up to verify the Wecoma research vessel has an AED onboard. Should it be required on vessels making extended voyages? Portable AED’s for charters? Joyce will share vessel inventory information with Dan.

TS901 temporary employees – there are several hundred temporary employees on campus hired through OSU and some by temp agencies. If an employee is hired less than 90 days, cost factors favor a temp agency as they are responsible for the claims risk. Heidi is working on statistics and so far there is not much difference in cost between the two. Heidi is waiting for information from Jackie and will pass by legal. Working with only classified temps at this time as unclassified temp hires are more complex.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Dan will check on time loss stomach injury and whether employee was being helped lifting a 100lb cooler
- B. Dan and Kay will contact SAIF for a sample Safety in Motion® training and Jennifer will contact
- C. Dan will have more AED inventory information at May meeting

- D. Jennifer will check with public safety medical transportation policies
- E. Dan will check on AED's being available on ocean research vessels and Heidi will share research vessel inventory information
- F. Heidi is working on statistics comparing risk costs between OSU-hired and temp agency hired temporary employees

**NEXT MEETING.** Wednesday, May 26, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, **Weatherford – Tower Conference Room**

**Future meetings:**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Building</u></b>	<b><u>Room</u></b>
May 26, 2010	Weatherford	Tower Conference Room
June 23, 2010	Weatherford	Tower Conference Room
July 28, 2010	Oak Creek	201
August 25, 2010	Oak Creek	201
September 22, 2010	Oak Creek	201

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