

## **Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee** **Summary of the January 27, 2010 meeting**

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

**Members absent:** Mike Collins, Dan Kermoyan

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** December minutes approved.

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

First Aid 12/28: Bike sliding on ice (15<sup>th</sup> & Campus Way) – accident occurred on campus - employee was traveling to work. Once an OSU employee is on campus it is covered by worker's comp.

First Aid 12/30: Exposure to cisplatin (Vet Med) – student was handling a syringe containing cisplatin (chemotherapy drug) along with sesame oil making the syringe slick. The syringe came out of the 3-way stop cock spraying an employee, student and owner of patient. The amount of cisplatin was less than 1/10 ml and first aid requirements are washing, rinsing and change of clothing which was followed. Everyone is OK and EH&S was contacted.

Medical 11/19: Fall on steps (Ag Hall) – step risers are of varying heights and a request to repair sent to Facilities.

Medical 12/2: Wet floor fall (Marketplace West) – all entrance doors have non-slip mats. Unsure of exact location of fall but Drew will follow up.

Time Loss 12/7: Rota-Coronavirus exposure (Vet Med) – victim reported exposure after time loss period. Exposure may have led to intestinal problems.

Time Loss 12/15: Tripping over object on floor (Marketplace West) – incident was not reported immediately. There is a statistical rise in injuries preceding academic year scheduled breaks (Christmas, Spring Break, etc.).

### **SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT.**

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

- Initial Inspections for February
  - 02/02 0900 – Gleeson Hall
  - 02/03 1330 – ESF
  - 02/04 0900 – La Sells
  - 02/09 0900 – Weigand
  - 02/10 1330 – Softball & Goss Stadium

- Re-inspections for February
  - 02/16 1330 – Burt Hall
  - 02/23 0900 – Strand Ag
  - 02/24 1330 – Merryfield Hall
  - 02/24 1415 – Naval ROTC
  - 02/25 0900 - Milne

## **POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW**

No policies or procedures were reviewed.

Next up – Lab Safety Policy

## **SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE.**

In 9 different departments, we recorded the following safety training in December:

5	Bloodborne pathogen/lab biosafety
3	Animal handler safety
3	Respirator fit test and training
1	Forklift
1	Golf cart
1	Office/general safety
5	Unsealed radioactive material refresher
1	X-ray

## **ANNUAL STATISTIC COMPARISONS**

Reviewed the comparison of annual total statistics for 2009

- There was improved accident reporting on campus accounting for an increase in first aid claims over medical claims and in student worker reports
- Noted that supervisors need to manage safety as well as be an educator
- Upward trend in time loss cases with low total relative numbers (~ 15% of total medical and time loss claims)
- Heidi is producing a SAIF report for campus departments which will include actual costs

## **ACTION ITEM UPDATES.**

- A. Campus AED's are almost installed – question on cabinet alarms turning off when the door is closed. Dan is coordinating a training schedule in Feb. for each building with an AED being installed by the university
- B. Jennifer & Kay are attempting to schedule the UHSC next meeting for documentation software training.
- C. Jennifer has contacted public safety concerning cell phone use and campus utility vehicles but no response yet. The Benton County Sheriff office has indicated that cell phones can be used while conducting business in business vehicles. Jennifer will follow up. Question about bikes and cell phone use.

- D. Becky reported that the university has SOP's on lifting. The incident concerning lifting a dog off a table and into a kennel was just an accident – the victim was lifting correctly.
- E. Jennifer is coordinating a UHSC work group to contribute to the Power Up Challenge on campus. Activities will mostly occur on Blackboard and could include injury reporting, campus safety training, online quizzes, IPod and hearing risks, and/or EH&S site training records. Volunteers include Jennifer, Becky, Bryan, Martha, Gary, Heidi and Sherry.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Health Center & hearing training. Hearing training is currently referred to EH&S as the Health Center only conducts hearing tests. An online training resource is needed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Athletics and campouts. Concerning students camping out for tickets and personal safety, the OSP will check with the DA on what they can enforce including more control resources and structural guidelines. Alcohol and fires are already prohibited. Concerns have been shared with senior administrators. Online ticket software was considered but is very expensive so not current solution. Administrators are also aware that athletic event ticket camp outs are a school spirit event.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Drew will determine the location of the wet floor fall in Marketplace West
- B. Jennifer will continue to follow up with public safety and utility vehicle cell phone use
- C. Jennifer will coordinate a work group for Power Up Challenge activities

**NEXT MEETING.** Wednesday, February 24, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, **Oak Creek Rm 201**

**Future meetings:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>
February 24, 2010	Oak Creek	Rm 201
March 24, 2010	Dixon Rec	Upper Classroom
April 28, 2010	Weatherford	Tower Conference Room
May 26, 2010	Weatherford	Tower Conference Room
June 23, 2010	Weatherford	Tower Conference Room
July 28, 2010	Oak Creek	Rm 201
August 25, 2010	Oak Creek	Rm 201
September 22, 2010	Oak Creek	Rm 201

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