

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee
Summary of the July 22, 2009 meeting

Members present: Rainier Farmer, Bryan Feyerherm, Joyce Fred, Gary Fuszek, Dan Kermoyan, Heidi Melton, Kay Miller, Becky Paasch, Jennifer Stewart,

Members absent: Martha Adams, Karin Hardin, Jim Kiser

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Minutes from the June meeting approved.

ACCIDENT STATISTICS AND REPORTS.

The injury involving a cut while performing necropsy on a harbor seal probably occurred at the Hatfield Marine Science Center; Becky will check.

The injury suffered aboard the Wecoma is covered under the Jones Act, making it a Maritime/Federal claim.

An injury to a Temp Tech Paraprofessional prompted Joyce to wonder whether they should be hired as independent contractors. Joyce will do some look into it.

A key is needed for the elevator at the Library. A person recently fainted in the elevator, and the doors kept closing on the victim and the rescuers as they were assisting.

A reported hole in front of the Women's Building where an individual tripped was insignificant.

There is a long list of prioritized items needing sidewalk grinding on campus.

Gary will check with Mike Blair (Facilities Services) about the plan for Jefferson Street near the MU.

The forklift driver involved in an accident has been counseled.

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT. The committee will review Corvallis Fire Department reports for repeat violations.

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE. Safety training recorded by Environmental Health and Safety for June occurred in 31 departments and included:

- 11 bloodborne pathogen/lab biosafety
- 16 animal handler safety
- 5 respirator fit test and training
- 6 general laboratory safety
- 28 acknowledgement of safety training/hazard communication
- 2 office safety
- 32 golf/utility cart

- 3 driver refresher
- 60 basic electricity
- 1 hazmat shipper
- 8 initial - unsealed isotopes
- 10 refresher – unsealed isotopes
- 13 x-ray machines

OLD BUSINESS

- UHSC Charter and member roles
 - OROSHA regulations regarding membership will be reviewed during the annual membership review
 - Committee membership terms will initially be 3 years, with the possibility of extension.
 - Three-year appointments will be staggered so no more than 1/3 of the committee changes each year.
 - The Secretary may serve for more than one year.
- Accident reporting format
 - Jacque Rudolph (Human Resources) was sent a copy of sample injury summary reports for her comments regarding their content and distribution.
 - If Jacque approves, the same reports will be sent to Mark McCambridge for the same input.
 - Deans/Directors/Department Heads would receive the more detailed information for only their department.
 - Reports will be issued twice a year.
 - A cover/explanatory letter needs to be drafted.
 - The Provost's Council will be asked for their feedback.
- Safety inspection reporting format - Tabled
- Training report format - Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations are being solicited for committee officers.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. The hearing conservation policy will be modified per comments received at the meeting. **Members** should submit suggested changes to Dan for consolidation. **EH&S** will clarify and issue a new draft for review at the next regular meeting. *In process.*
- B. **Becky** will look into what the Vet Med procedures are for handling animals, especially with regard to restraints.
- C. **Dan** will look into the forklift training provided at the Hermiston Experiment Station, the age of the injured worker, and the appropriateness of having a student run a forklift.
- D. **Dan** will investigate the autoclave injury.
- E. **Joyce** will check into whether a special agreement needs to be in place between USDA and OSU Extension.
- F. A work group (**Heidi, Dan, Joyce, Bryan, Jennifer**) will meet to discuss accident reporting.
- G. Gary will check on the plan for Jefferson Street near the MU.

NEXT MEETING. Wednesday, August 26, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, **Oak Creek Building room 201**

Future meetings (2:00 – 3:30 pm):

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Building</u> | <u>Room</u> |
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| August 26, 2009 | Oak Creek | 201 |
| September 23, 2009 | Oak Creek | 201 |
| October 28, 2009 | Magruder | 197* |
| November 25, 2009 | Magruder | 197* |
| December 23, 2009 | Magruder | 197* |
| January 27, 2010 | Dixon Rec | Upper Classroom |
| February 24, 2010 | Dixon Rec | Upper Classroom |
| 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 | 201 |
| August 25, 2010 | Oak Creek | 201 |
| September 22, 2010 | Oak Creek | 201 |

* Enter through the lobby. Room 197 has restricted access.

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Committee members

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John Cassady, Vice President for Research

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Vincent Martorello, Director, Facilities Services

Larry Roper, Vice Provost of Student Affairs

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