

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee  
Summary of the September 23, 2009 meeting

Members present: Martha Adams, Jim Ervin, Rainier Farmer, Gary Fuszek, Karin Hardin, Sherri Hawkins, Dan Kermoyan, Heidi Melton, Kay Miller, Becky Paasch, Jennifer Stewart

Members absent: Drew Desilet, Bryan Feyerherm, Joyce Fred, Jim Kiser

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Minutes from the August meeting approved.

**ACCIDENT STATISTICS AND REPORTS.** Heidi reported that she is having problems getting physicians to respond to requests for information and/or writing orders for modified work.

The heart attack death is still being investigated. It was reportable to OSHA, but OSHA has not conducted an investigation to date.

**SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT.** Members should make arrangements with EH&S if they would like to accompany the inspectors.

**POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW** – Automated External Defibrillators. The draft policy was distributed to committee members for comments. Public Safety should maintain a copy of the AED inventory (along with EH&S and Occupational Medicine).

The university should maintain an inventory of AEDs on campus. AED locations should be posted on a campus map. Dan will collect the inventory information. Members should submit their AED data to Dan.

**SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE.** Safety training recorded by Environmental Health and Safety for August occurred in 15 departments and included:

- 1 bloodborne pathogen/lab biosafety
- 5 respirator fit test and training
- 5 acknowledgement of safety training/hazard communication
- 37 voluntary respirator use
- 2 golf/utility cart
- 2 initial - unsealed isotopes
- 10 lab hazard awareness
- 2 initial – sealed radioactive source
- 7 x-ray machines

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Hearing Conservation Policy – revisions are in process, will be reported next month.
- The committee charter was approved by Mark McCambridge.

### **ACTION ITEM UPDATES**

- A. **Becky** will look into what the Vet Med procedures are for handling animals, especially with regard to restraints. *Muzzling dogs can actually make them more prone to fear-biting. Muzzling is at the clinician's discretion. Even experienced workers can be bitten.*
- B. Gary will check on the plan for Jefferson Street near the MU. *Gary spoke with Mike Blair, University Civil Engineer, who stated that the Jefferson Street repair work is delayed indefinitely. Gary will continue to ask about it.*

### **NEW BUSINESS.**

Jennifer Stewart will be the new committee chair, Karin Hardin is the chair-elect. There was a tie for Secretary, so votes are still being solicited from those who haven't voted yet.

The committee will review items from the annual safety walk and prioritize them at the next meeting.

### **ACTION ITEM UPDATES.**

- A. Dan Kermoyan will meet with Horticulture and Botany personnel to discuss spray notifications and other exposure prevention measures. *Meeting has not occurred yet.*
- B. Dan Kermoyan, Lance Jones and Martha Adams will continue to work on the hearing conservation policy. *Work is continuing.*
- C. A cover letter for Mark McCambridge will be drafted by Heidi which outlines the changes to the current Charter. *Charter submitted to and approved by Mark McCambridge.*
- D. Committee members will vote for committee officers via email prior to the next meeting. *See New Business, above.*

### **ACTION ITEMS.**

- A. Members will provide comments on the AED Policy to Dan Kermoyan.
- B. Members will provide AED inventory information to Dan Kermoyan.
- C. Accident Report Format – Heidi will follow up with Jacque Rudolph.
- D. Kay will provide copies of the safety walk results to members for review and prioritization.
- E. Members who have not yet voted for a committee secretary will be asked to do so.

**NEXT MEETING.** Wednesday, October 28, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, **Magruder 197 (enter through main lobby)**

### **Future meetings:**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Building</u></b>	<b><u>Room</u></b>
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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