

## **Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee**

### **Summary of the November 17, 2010 meeting**

**Members present:** Martha Adams, Jim Ervin, Rainier Farmer, Bryan Feyerherm, Karin Hardin (chair), Heidi Melton, Jennifer Stewart

**Members absent:** Joseph Evans, Joyce Fred, Gary Fuszek, Sherri Hawkins, Dan Kermoyan, Ricardo Letelier, Mike Mayers, Kay Miller, Matt Rodgers

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** October minutes approved.

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

10/2/10 Medical Treatment – contusions, abrasions (Public Safety) – parking lot light malfunctioned leading to the employee tripping over a curb.

10/13/10 Medical Treatment – possible chemical inhalation (2100 Campus Way) – person went back into the building to put a fire out. Activity starting the fire should have taken place in a fume hood.

10/19/10 Medical Treatment – contusions, abrasions (Campus Way, Dearborn) – person did not look both ways when hit by bicyclist. Bicycle front brakes locked up and flipped the rider – may have been going too fast. Discussion about sidewalk markings to keep bicycles off the sidewalks – will recommend to facilities.

No Date Medical Treatment – unspecified (no location specified) – employee intention to withdraw claim.

No Date Medical Treatment – overuse (UABC) – ergonomic issue.

10/4/10 Time Loss – cut (greenhouse) – student was cutting out potato eyes.

#### **SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT.**

Health/Safety Inspection Report

- Initial Inspections for December: TBA
- Reinspections for December: TBA

Jim Patton will be providing pre-inspection check lists. Re-inspections are usually six weeks after the initial inspection – gives time to fix problems. Jim will contact building contacts if problems are not corrected and the expectation is that they will be fixed. You can contact Jim with any questions.

## **SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE**

For the month of November, EH&S recorded the following training, which occurred in 21 departments:

17	Blood borne pathogens/laboratory biosafety (initial or refresher)
3	General Laboratory Safety
7	Animal Handler safety
14	Respirator training and fit test
16	Acknowledgement and hazcomm
1	Forklift
25	Golf/utility cart
1	Office/general safety
2	Isotope user orientation
16	X-ray training

## **OLD BUSINESS**

SAIF Ergonomic Presentation – Heidi will share a 15-minute video by email with the committee. Do-It-Yourself Ergonomics.

Revision Dates - Kay is currently updating policy and procedure revision dates.

Policy 202, Personal Protective Equipment - Jennifer is working on Policy 202 - will update during the Dec. meeting. Rainier will check on legal precedents on what OSU can require for personal protective equipment.

Policy 102, Emergency Response – committee had questions about the university policy for using fire extinguishers and elevators during building evacuations. Dan will follow up on clarifying these issues.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

New Members - New members are appointed by Mark McCambridge. If someone would like to become a member of UHSC, they should contact the chair who will bring the request to the committee. If supported by the committee, the request will be sent to Mark for approval. Kay has the list of current members and will update with Karin. Also, please inform the chair about any questions that will be appearing at a committee meeting.

Officer Nominations – Sherry Hawkins was nominated to be the next secretary. She will begin with the December meeting. Nominations are currently being accepted for chair elect.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Karin will recommend to facilities that sidewalk markings are needed to deter bicyclists from using sidewalks as a roadway.
- B. Heidi will share by email a SAIF ergonomics video
- C. Kay is updating policy and procedure revision dates
- D. Jennifer is updating Policy 202: Personal Protective Equipment

- E. Rainier will check on legal precedents for personal protection equipment requirements
- F. Dan will clarify university policies regarding fire extinguisher use and elevator use during building evacuations.
- G. Kay and Karin will update the committee members list

**NEXT MEETING.** December 15, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, **Milam Room 159**

**Future meetings:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>
December 15, 2010	Milam	Room 159
January 26, 2011	Student Health Ctr	Conference Room A
February 23, 2011	Student Health Ctr	Conference Room A
March 23, 2011	Student Health Ctr	Conference Room A

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