



Oregon State University

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

April 24, 2019

Milam 119, 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Meeting Summary

Members Present: Laura Beaver, Carrie Burkholder, Marcia Dickson, Keith Foster (alt), Samuel Gras, Stephanie Harrison, Ariel Leshchinsky, Mike Mayers, Jennifer McKay, Heidi Melton (Chair), Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Marcus Silkman, Brian Stroup, Rachel Ziegler

Members Absent: Okan Agirseven, Jared Bilyeu, Tim Borgen, Tom Doyle (alt), Bryan Feyerherm (alt), Dan Kermoyan (alt), Barbara Lerwick (alt), Christina McKnight, Jim Patton, Debi Rothermund (alt), Tarrigon Van Denburg

Meeting was called to order at 2:30 Heidi Melton, Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March minutes were reviewed. Rachel moved that the minutes be approved; Laura seconded. Minutes approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Safety Recognition and Awards – The Qualtrics form was distributed to the committee for discussion. The section regarding who/what is being recognized will be edited for clarity. The program will be advertised through OSU Today and the EHS website. Additional comments should be sent to Heidi or Kay for final review at the next UHSC meeting.
- Policy Review- Awaiting Chris Viggiani's approval.
- Kay will distribute safety walk routes for 2019 at the next meeting.
- Goals on hold until policies are converted and decided which are morphed into procedures.

REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS

Mike noted that MU dining services is using lots of burn gel, but there haven't been many burn reports. Will remind workers to report all incidents.

The case involving pinworms must be handled carefully in regards to confidentiality. Pinworms are contagious so precautions must be taken to avoid exposure.

There seems to have been several back injuries lately. Marcus was asked to schedule some open training sessions in the next month or two.

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS UPDATE

Fire inspection schedule for the month is on the EH&S webpage and also in the UHSC box. Fire inspection reports are available on the EH&S webpage.

FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE/SAFETY WORK ORDERS

- Womens Building – burning smell; no cause found
- Cascade Hall – standing water; resolved
- Reser Stadium – leak on fire pump; resolved by outside contractor

EH&S ON-CALL LOG/REPORT OF UNSAFE CONDITIONS

- Several burning smells – attributed to microwave popcorn
- Oxygen sensor in Johnson Hall; resolved
- Milam basement – gas smell; attributed to delivery trucks at “loading dock” near air intake vents. Possible solutions include signage for “no idling”; vent filters; talking with drivers.

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In April, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 77 departments:

April 2019	Course
33	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
29	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
9	NIH Guidelines
288	Hazardous waste training
4	HW Facility training
7	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
138	Universal waste handling
25	Formaldehyde safety
2	Hydrofluoric acid awareness
12	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
217	General laboratory safety
66	Animal handler safety
17	Noise and hearing conservation
31	Respirator training/fit testing (includes 11 PAPR)
9	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
1	Asbestos awareness
98	Fire extinguisher
5	Forklift operator
1	Hazard Communication booklet review
211	Globally harmonized system/HazCom/SDS
6	Golf cart/utility vehicle
1	Lead awareness
24	Office and general safety
27	SIMPlicity
1	Initial isotope user
1	Isotope user refresher
6	Laser safety

1	Laser Safety Officer certification
3	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
7	X-ray machine safety

NEW BUSINESS

- Nominations for committee officers for 2019-2020:
 - Heidi Melton, Chair
 - Kay Miller, Secretary
 - Sam Gras, Chair-Elect

All nominees accepted, and were approved unanimously.

- The annual report for the 2017-2018 year is available in box. Members are to review and provide comments to Heidi or Kay. Next meeting the committee will vote to accept the report and send it to Mike Green.

- Safety Break for Oregon is the week of May 8, sponsored by Oregon OSHA.

- SAIF is presenting all day training in Salem on May 8. All members are invited; Heidi will attend.

- EH&S is holding a seminar for department/unit safety coordinators (DUSC) on May 8 at the MU from 10:00 am to noon. One of the topics will be the coming implementation of a new training system using Vivid training videos in Bridge (the OSU learning management system).

ACTION ITEMS

Marcus will schedule some open back safety training sessions in the next month or two.

NEXT MEETINGS

Wednesday, May 22, 2019, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119