



Oregon State University

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

January 23, 2019

Milam 119, 2:30 – 3:20 pm

Meeting Summary

Members Present: Jared Bilyeu, Marcia Dickson, Stephanie Harrison, Dan Kermoyan (alt), Ariel Leshchinsky, Kay Miller, Debi Rothermund (Acting Chair), Marcus Silkman

Members Absent: Okan Agirseven, Tim Borgen, Carrie Burkholder, Bryan Feyerherm (alt), Samuel Gras, Barbara Lerwick (alt), Mike Mayers, Jennifer McKay, Christina McKnight, Heidi Melton (Chair), Ryan Mitchell, Jim Patton, Brian Stroup, Tarrigon Van Denburg, Heather Wall, Rachel Ziegler

Meeting was called to order at 2:40 by Debi Rothermund, Acting Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December minutes were reviewed. Marcia moved that the minutes be approved; Stephanie seconded. Minutes approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Safety Recognition and Awards – A Qualtrics form is being drafted and should be ready for testing soon.
- Policy Review- Dan will edit the draft to capture input from the three committee members who submitted them. Dan will send the revised draft of overarching safety policy to the committee for review and approval at next month's meeting.
- Only two routes have not been completed (3 and 5). Heather will complete route 3 and Kay will do route 5.
- Goals on hold until policies are converted and decided which are morphed into procedures.

REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS

December had noticeably few accidents (mainly attributable to students being away from campus for three weeks). No items of particular interest.

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

- Mostly odor complaints, including Women's Building and Seed Lab – dry drains
- The Fire Department responded to a burning odor complaint at the Riding Arena, which was due to air compressor wiring.

- Facilities repaired (replaced battery) for a fire door in Kerr.
- A burning smell in Nash was caused by debris in a heater.
- University Plaza had problems with a smoke detector which was due to a sensor in an air conditioner.

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

In December (and through today) EH&S responded to:

- A methyl mercury disposal question.
- A propane leak at the turkey farm. The valve needs to be replaced by the gas supplier.
- Smoking batteries (collected and disposed).
- Two mercury spills.
- A smoke odor.
- Fume hood problems in Pharmacy and Wiegand.
- An employee exposed to aerosol fumes in an enclosed room, causing illness.
- An oil spill in the Crop Science parking lot
- A possible exposure to formaldehyde.

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In January, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 97 departments:

January 2019	Course
49	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
20	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
2	Biosafety Cabinets
21	NIH Guidelines
493	Hazardous waste training
6	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
189	Universal waste handling
32	Formaldehyde safety
18	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
323	General laboratory safety
2	Fume hood safety
43	Animal handler safety
37	Noise and hearing conservation
19	Respirator training/fit testing (includes 2 SCBA)
8	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
32	Asbestos awareness
81	Fire extinguisher
16	Forklift operator
0	Hazard Communication booklet review
347	Globally harmonized system/HazCom/SDS
4	Golf cart/utility vehicle
48	Office and general safety
1	Respirator for comfort only training
1	Bone densitometer

2	Isotope user refresher
2	Restricted isotope shipper
6	Laser safety
1	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
2	X-ray machine safety

EH&S is planning on getting Vivid, a new online training system (which will be administered via Bridge). Vivid is part of the Online Safety Association, and offers training for higher education systems and has a large library of training courses.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Adams of SAIF would like to attend a meeting; Dan will give him the schedule. Dave will contact Heidi to let her know when he will attend.

University Housing and Dining is forming an additional safety committee, specifically for the operations and facilities group.

The committee will look into CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training for the group.

ACTION ITEMS

- Dan K will make the revised draft policy available to the committee for review. Committee members will send final comments to Dan via email.
- A draft Qualtrics form for the safety recognition program will be ready for review at the next meeting.
- Kay and Heather will complete safety walks.
- Kay will review attendance records and report to Heidi.

NEXT MEETINGS

Wednesday, February 27, 2019, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119