

# Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

November 20, 2019 Milam 119, 2:30 – 3:00 pm Meeting Summary

**Members Present:** Martha Adams (alt), Laura Beaver, Carrie Burkholder, Marcia Dickson, Bryan Feyerherm (alt), Samuel Gras, Stephanie Harrison, Jennifer McKay, Heidi Melton (Chair), Kay Miller, Debi Rothermund (alt), Marcus Silkman, Tarrigon Van Denburg

**Members Absent:** Okan Agirseven, Tim Borgen, Chandra Char, Tom Doyle (alt), Keith Foster, Dan Kermoyan, Barbara Lerwick (alt), Ariel Leshchinsky, Denis Looney, Jon-Michael McDaniel, Christina McKnight (alt), Mike Mayers, Ryan Mitchell, Jim Patton, Brian Stroup

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

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 23 meeting were approved as written.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- The policy review group is reviewing the overarching safety policy as submitted to them by this committee.
- Safety walks for 2019 should have been completed and submitted via the Excel spreadsheet available in the UHSC box.
- UHSC goals Once the safety policy is approved, a subcommittee will be established to work on UHSC goals.

#### **REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS**

As discussed at last month's meeting, the OSU banners throughout campus should be hung at least seven feet off the ground. The one that was struck (and most banners along 26<sup>th</sup> Street) is at 67".

A landscaper was hit by a car while blowing leaves, but was uninjured.

Some mold problems have been discovered at HMSC. EH&S and Heidi were notified of the problem at least a month after it was found. Facilities has fixed the problem. The SAIF Industrial Hygienist will meet with Heidi and Dan K in December for further review. HR Advocate should be used to report medical issues such as those reportedly associated with the mold.

#### FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS UPDATE

Reports and inspection schedules are posted on the EH&S website.

#### **FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE/SAFETY WORK ORDERS**

- Snell Hall a rotten egg odor of unknown cause, possibly an issue above the ceiling tiles made worse when the heat is turned on.
- Fume hoods in Richardson Hall
- Chemical smell in Cordley Hall

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

- Sodium chloride spill in Gilbert Addition
- Hazardous gas cabinet alarm in Johnson Hall was responded to and addressed by Machelle Bamberger.
- The alarm response program is being worked on by Public Safety, starting with Kelley Engineering Center and Johnson Hall.

# SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In November, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 66 departments:

Nov 2019	Course
2	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
3	NIH Guidelines
39	Hazardous waste training
1	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
29	Universal waste handling
4	Formaldehyde safety
6	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
155	General laboratory safety (now includes Hazwaste & SDS)
5	Controlled substances
35	Animal handler safety
9	Noise and hearing conservation
9	Respirator training/fit testing (includes 2 powered air purifying resp)
3	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
1	Asbestos awareness
1	Confined Space
4	Electrical safety
3	Farm electrical safety
30	Fire extinguisher
5	Forklift operator
4	Hazard Communication booklet review
29	Globally harmonized system/HazCom/SDS
1	Golf cart/utility vehicle
2	Ladder safety
6	Lock-out/tag-out
1	Machine guarding
9	Office and general safety
0	Initial isotope user

1	Isotope user refresher
2	Laser safety
0	Nuclear gauge training
2	Sealed radioactive source orientation/refresher
2	X-ray machine safety

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

Sam Gras submitted some training figures which will be added to the report. Heidi will send the revised report to Mike Green and Paul Odenthal.

# **NEW BUSIINESS**

The Assistant Dean for Academic Programs in the College of Agricultural Sciences has approved funding to conduct a survey of classrooms and add red phones as needed. Mike Bamberger has been consulted on the program.

# **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, December 18, 2019, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119