



**University Health and Safety Committee**

**DRAFT Minutes**

**Date of Meeting: June 23, 2021**

**Time: 2:30 – 3:20pm**

**Location: Via Zoom**

<b>Members: Attendance</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Martha Adams	<input type="checkbox"/>	Okan Agirseven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Bamberger
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Beaver	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Rachel Burgess
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carrie Burkholder	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bill Callender	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chandra Char
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marcia Dickson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Doyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Keith Foster
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Harrison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dan Kermoyan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shirley Mann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Mayers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer McKay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heidi Melton
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ryan Mitchell, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Linda Nye	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Patton
<input type="checkbox"/>	Steve Pitman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Debi Rothermund	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marcus Silkbaron
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian Stroup	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tarrigon Van Denburg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kay Miller, Secretary
<b>Member Alternates / Visitors: Attendance</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dave Adams, SAIF	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ariel Leshchinsky (alt)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chris Russo (alt)
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**1. Call to Order** – Roll and introductions

**2. February 2021** – Minutes Consideration and Approval

Carrie noted that her name was misspelled.

Motion to approve May 2021 minutes with correction of Carrie’s name by Laura; seconded by Carrie. May, 2021 minutes approved.

**3. Recent and Ongoing Business**

3.1 Policy Review.

Dan reported that we are still awaiting final approval of the overarching policy.

**4. Accident & Inspection Reports**

4.1 Accident Reports

- Rather than focusing on employee actions, supervisors need to look at the hierarchy of controls when determining root cause and corrective actions. Are supervisors doing enough to keep their workers safe, and are they following up after accidents in order to prevent recurrence? Have supervisors been adequately trained?
- Collecting the information on root cause and corrective actions might be more useful later than at the time of the incident, as a follow up. A column will be added to the accident report form for follow up.
- A worker was burned by water from an insta-hot spigot. Perhaps this hazard could be engineered out by moving or replacing the spigot.
- Regarding the incident where a worker tripped over protruding forks on a pallet jack, have they looked into engineering out the problem? Marcus will be meeting with the individual next week to review the situation. It is a small area to work in; they will look at options.
- Safety glasses should have been required for the procedure where a foal was being treated with a hazardous drug which got splashed into the worker's eye.
- EH&S investigates all Time Loss accidents, any significant first aid incidents, and when accidents have causative factors that are fixable. Near misses with potential for significant injuries are looked at also.
- It was pointed out that there haven't been very many work-at-home incidents. Heidi noted that there may be some repetitive motion-type injuries coming in the future though.
- Fall would be a good time to remind people to do ergonomic evaluations prior to changing work locations (from home back to campus, in particular).

#### 4.2 Fire Safety Inspections

Nothing significant to report. No troublesome deficiencies.

Fire and Life Safety has been working with Facilities regarding storage of items such as replacement filters in mechanical rooms, which should be avoided or at least kept to a minimum.

EH&S Fire and Life Safety will be reviewing remote sites soon. Will provide units with some self-surveys also.

#### 4.3 Facilities Monthly Life/ Safety Work Orders/ Report

Possible gas leak at Weniger, EHS responded

Smoke at Goss Stadium, Facilities Services workers met with the Corvallis Fire Department and OSU Police.

#### 4.4 On-Call Log / Report of Any Unsafe Conditions

Diesel odor reports at ALS; attributed to diesel leak from an emergency generator; resolved.

Lab vials found near Johnson Hall, picked up by EHS hazardous waste team.

Research Way Lab alarming in gas cylinder room; filters/sensors needed to be replaced.

**5. Updates and New Business**

Kay nominated Carrie as Chair-Elect, Jennifer seconded. Unanimous approval.

It was agreed that the UHSC Secretary be a member of EH&S. With Kay’s retirement next week, Marcus will become the new UHSC Secretary.

Review of proposed revision to bylaws – UHSC web page should include safety committee requirements and training. This could be linked from the bylaws.

MB made suggestions to be incorporated in bylaws.

Facilities Services should be listed as a required member in the bylaws.

Kay will edit and place amended version in the UHSC box.

**6. Safety Training: Upcoming/ Planned/ Updates**

Reports of safety training will be reduced to twice per year (January and July).

Trainings recorded by Environmental Health and Safety for the period July 1, 2020, through June 25, 2021:

<b>7/1/20 - 6/25/21</b>	<b>Course</b>
443	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
198	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
95	Bloodborne pathogen awareness
62	Bloodborne pathogen overview
59	Biosafety cabinets
29	NIH guidelines
237	Infection control
226	Hazardous waste
27	Hazardous materials shipping awareness
192	Universal waste handling
111	Autoclave safety
91	Laboratory compressed gas safety
75	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
96	Formaldehyde safety
1476	General laboratory safety
9	Controlled substances
91	Fume hood safety
53	Liquid nitrogen safety
309	Animal handler safety
136	Noise and hearing conservation
102	Respirator training/fit test (includes PAPR and SCBA)
13	Aerial and Scissor Lift safety
63	Acknowledgement of safety rules and emergency procedures

26	Arc Flash and Electrical Safety Best Practices
17	Asbestos awareness
22	Back safety and injury prevention
8	Behavior-based safety program
32	Compressed gas cylinder safety (non-lab)
352	Cold, flu & transmissible illness prevention
14	Crane and hoist safety
25	Confined space
462	Covid-19 masks, coverings and respirators
10	Driver safety
31	Earthquake preparedness
39	Electrical safety
3	Excavating, trenching and shoring
97	Eyewash and emergency showers
14	Fall protection
14	Farm electrical safety
23	Field research safety
338	Fire extinguishers
230	Flu season
61	Forklift (includes 33 forklift overview)
411	Hand washing
262	Globally harmonized system/Hazcomm/SDS
21	Golf cart/utility vehicle
6	Hearing protection awareness
5	Hot work
9	Incident investigation
7	Industrial ergonomics overview
54	Ladder safety
10	Lead awareness
9	Loading dock safety introduction
38	Lock-out/tag-out (includes 9 overview)
26	Machine guarding
81	Office and general safety
691	Pandemic – slowing the spread
23	Hand and power tools
1	Respiratory protection overview
9	Scaffold safety
0	Silica hazards overview
8	Stormwater management program
10	Wastewater management program
3	Wildfire smoke safety
2	Initial isotope user training

16	Isotope user refresher
50	Laser safety
15	Sealed radiation source training or refresher
40	X-ray safety

**7. Agenda Item(s) for Next Meeting**

7.1 Open for Suggestions

**8. New Business**

Excessive heat warnings beginning Friday night through the middle of next week. Will be very hot until Thursday. Plan ahead if working outdoors.

Safety Walks are ready to go – sign up for a route before the next meeting. Jennifer likes to do her walk in September (it’s cooler, and she can check lighting). Traditionally, they’ve been done in summer so it’s not raining.

Laura asked to not participate this year.

It appears that the area around Kerr is not included in any of the routes. Stephanie will check into this and correct any oversight.

**Next Meeting Date / Venue:** 2:30 pm, July 28 / Zoom