University Health and Safety Committee
Minutes
Date of Meeting: (4/26/23)
Time: 2:30 – 4:00 pm
Location: Via Zoom

Members: Attendance

☐ Martha Adams ☒ Stephanie Harrison ☐ Steve Pitman
☐ Michael Bamberger ☒ Dan Kermoyan ☒ Debi Rothermund
☒ Laura Beaver ☐ Leece LaRue ☐ Chris Russo
☐ Rachel Burgess ☒ Jennine Livengood ☐ Aimee Scrivens
☒ Carrie Burkholder, Chair ☒ Michael Mayers ☒ Eric Cardella
☐ Bill Callender ☒ Heidi Melton ☒ Brett Morrissette
☒ Tom Doyle ☒ Ryan Mitchell ☒ Brian Stroup
☐ Suzanne Grey ☒ Jim Patton ☒ Tarrigon Van Denburg
☐ Shirley Mann ☐ Jim Yon (DPS) ☒ Matt Drahm

Member Alternates / Visitors: Attendance

☐ Dave Adams, SAIF ☐ SEIU ☒ Bruce Seals
☒ Jenette Paul ☒ Debra DeLoach ☑

1. Call to Order – Agenda

2. March 2023 – Minutes Consideration and Approval

Motion to approve minutes by Jennine Livengood; seconded by Ryan Mitchell. (March, 2023) minutes approved.

3. Ongoing Business items discussed

3.1. Potential for cross-college lab tours – brought forward by the safety advisory committee for veterinary medicine. Sharing of best practices has been occurring with the OVDL lab and University of Arizona. Benchmarking is in process. Additionally, EHS and College of Engineering are welcoming Bob Emery and Scott Patlovich to campus next week. They will be providing peer review and external guidance support. If there are specific areas of lab safety that are of interest, please reach out to Jenette Paul.

3.2. UHSC Open Meeting in May – Heidi will submit this to OSU Today for advertising.

3.3. Official Safety Committee Invitations – this process will be re-instated. Carrie will get invitations out to those members that have not officially been welcomed to the UHSC.
3.4. Safety Walks – the 2023 Safety Walk schedule has been added to Box. Each Safety Committee member signs up for a route, and these are to be completed by September of 2023.
3.5. SEIU and Graduate Students Union representatives for UHSC – Carrie has reached out to SEIU to identify a representative for the committee. Carrie will also reach out to the Graduate Students Union.
3.6. Safety Culture Survey – Closed on 4/15/23. The final count of completions is 2,263. This is roughly 37% of full time employees. NSC is compiling the data for us and will send over the final report.
3.7. E-scooters around campus – Transportation Services is working on education for incoming students on proper use and storage.
3.8. Fall Protection Training – Scheduled for 4/27/23. This is an in-person, all-day training, and will be focused on shops and ship ops for this session. If there are team members that need this training, please contact Dan Kermoyan. We plan to offer 2 more sessions this year.
3.9. Musculoskeletal Disorder Webinar for Forestry Workers – shared by SAIF. Sent to Brett Morrissette and Ryan Mitchell to share with their teams. If anyone else is interested, please reach out to Matt Drahn for the webinar invite.

4. New Business items to be discussed at next meeting
4.1. Open to committee

5. Accident & Inspection Reports
5.1. Quarterly accident data summaries were discussed; Optimum flow of information would be disseminating to the departments and college safety advisory committees for local control follow-up.
5.2. Advocate accident management system contract expires June 30, 2023; Risk Connect will be the campus’ new tracking system and with new capabilities for analyzing data trends; Safety Culture Task Force recommendation will be to establish department safety contacts and safety advisory committees who can directly review and address accident causation.
5.3. On-Call Log/Report of any Unsafe Conditions – 3 reports. All are resolved without incident.
5.4. Fire Safety inspections for May 2023 include: Milam Hall, Merryfield Hall, Research Way Building, Coast Range Building, Centro Cultural Cesar Chavez, Kaku-Ixt Mana Ina Haws, Asian Pacific Cultural Center, Harris Black Cultural Center, Einerson House, Hinsdale Wave Research, Apiary Building, Oak Creek Building, Western Shops, and Student Experience Center.

Next Meeting Date / Venue: 2:30 – 4:00 pm, May 24, 2023 via Zoom