

Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

January 27, 2016

Meeting Summary

Members Present: Carrie Burkholder, Jim Kiser, Ariel Leshchinsky, Mike Mayers, Jennifer McKay (Chair), Heidi Melton, Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Kris Osterloh, LeAnna Pitts, Debi Rothermund, Mike Sreniawski, Jennifer Stewart

Members Absent: Mike Bamberger, Denson Chatfield, Patrick Hughes, Dan Kermoyan, Christina McKnight, Jim Patton, Anthony Veltri

Guest Present: Brian Lilley, Environmental Health and Safety

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from December were approved with minor corrections.

OLD BUSINESS

- Angelo Gomez is no longer in the Office of Equity and Inclusion. *Jennifer will contact Clay Simmons about attending a meeting.*
- Jennifer M is continuing work to confirm UHSC memberships. *In progress.*
- Jennifer M will invite Glenn Ford to a UHSC meeting early next year. *Glenn Ford has left the university. Jennifer will contact the interim VPs (Ron Adams and Michael Green).*
- Sting/bite/exposure discussion was tabled until Jim K is in attendance. *Jim will send information on stings/lime disease, etc. to Mike S.*
- Debi will forward information (including that received from Carrie) to Mike S and LeAnna, who will work with Scott Williamson (HVAC Control Technician) to put together a freezer/cold room alarm and response SOP. Mike S will work on an egress guidance document. *Debi and Carrie forwarded the information to Mike and LeAnna. Freezer inventories may be possible through Building Managers.*
- Tyler Strampel (EHS) and Mike S should have a draft hydrofluoric acid policy ready for UHSC review at the next meeting. *A Standard Operating Procedure is being developed. EH&S will probably begin tracking hydrofluoric acid (HF) inventory in the EHSA database (similar to carcinogens).*
- Mike S is working with several shops on campus to develop a shop safety program. Some components include identifying shops on campus and who is responsible, signage, authorized users, SOPs, training, and documentation. *In process.*
- A final draft of the field safety policy will be given to the UHSC for review. *In process.*
- Mike M – Student employees unable to complete essential functions/departmental training. *Part-time student worker with a time-loss injury. Worked with HR and SAIF to get the doctor to approve modified position description. If an employee is injured while off the job, they are generally not qualified for FMLA. The new Oregon sick leave law grants 5 days of sick leave/year, prorated based on the number of hours worked. Heidi will talk with the Office of Equity and Inclusion, FMLA, and Employee Relations about creating a work flow for students out due to illness/injury regarding sick leave, SAIF on-the-job, off the job, forms, time reporting, etc. There needs to be consistent treatment for*

all workers within a department.

- Jennifer S and Ariel will be asked to write a summary/guidance document regarding emergency use of epi-pens by non-medically-trained individuals. *Jennifer is reviewing and will share the document at the next committee meeting.*

REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS

Mike M. reminded the committee that the State Police should be called any time there is an accident involving a state vehicle.

There was some discussion regarding whether to keep known samples of pathogens (those used by researchers at OSU) to test against in case of worker exposure/illness.

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS UPDATE

No report available.

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

No items of note.

FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE-SAFETY WORK ORDERS REPORT

Mostly routine maintenance work. Information from the safety walks is being entered into AiM (Facilities Services' work order software).

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In January, EH&S recorded the following safety training across 71 departments:

January	Course
32	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
42	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
4	NIH Guidelines
10	Recombinant dNA
454	Hazardous waste training
1	Hazwoper refresher training (EHS employees)
11	Autoclave safety
9	Benzene safety
9	Carcinogen safety
11	Centrifuge safety
10	Drying oven safety
10	Formaldehyde safety
12	Fume hood safety
25	Sharps safety
79	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
410	General laboratory safety
48	Animal handler safety
21	Hearing protection training
13	Respirator training/fit testing (+2 SCBA fit test)
46	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
24	Compressed gas cylinders
8	Construction and remodel safety
5	Crane and hoist safety
9	Elevated surfaces
24	Eyewash and safety shower

24	Field work planning
189	Fire extinguisher
1	Forklift
402	Globally harmonized system/hazcomm/SDS
1	Golf cart/utility vehicle
24	Heat stress safety
56	Office and general safety
1	Pesticide and ag chemical safety
22	Pesticide use and PPE
4	SIM training
24	Supervisor safety responsibilities
0	Isotope user orientation
9	Laser safety
1	Unsealed radioisotope user refresher
1	Sealed radiation source (new or refresher)
4	X-ray machine safety

Upcoming safety training opportunities are listed on the EH&S safety training web page.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussed training requirements for volunteers, visiting scientist, etc. Requirements are the same for anyone working in OSU facilities or doing work on behalf of OSU. Some training requires an ONID ID, but temporary IDs (DINO accounts) can be arranged.

LeAnna was asked whether the committee could include suicide prevention awareness in the annual safety walks, i.e. look for high risk areas. The report form could be modified to include additional items. OSP will be involved by performing walk-throughs and consultation. Sgt. Judah has good information on active shooter scenarios. It was suggested that the first look should be made by building managers, with information being passed along as needed. Possibly use a Qualtrics survey to gather the information.

Brian Lilley, Environmental Health and Safety, talked about eye washes and emergency showers. Inspections are performed on about 1100 units each year. Responsibility for payment for repairs and installations is dependent on several factors. Deferred maintenance funds will cover some. In some cases, Facilities may split the costs with departments.

ACTION ITEMS

- Jennifer will contact Clay Simmons about attending a meeting.
- Jennifer M will confirm UHSC memberships.
- Jennifer M will contact interim VPs (Ron Adams and Michael Green) to invite them to an upcoming meeting.
- Jim K will send information on stings/Lyme disease, etc. to Mike S.
- Mike S will present a standard operating procedure for hydrofluoric acid for the committee's review.
- Mike S and LeAnna will work on a standard operating procedure for walk-in freezers.
- Mike S will develop a shop safety program.
- The field safety policy will be presented for review and approval.
- Heidi will talk with the Office of Equity and Inclusion, FMLA, and Employee Relations about creating a work flow for students out due to illness/injury, regarding sick leave,

SAIF on-the-job, off the job, forms, time reporting, etc.

- *Jennifer S will share the epi-pen document at the next committee meeting.*

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 24, 2:00 – 3:30 pm. **Women's Building room 210**