

# Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee

May 27, 2015  
Meeting Summary

**Members Present:** Mike Mayers (chair), Mike Sreniawski, Jennifer McKay, Jennifer Stewart, Heidi Lively Melton, LeAnna Pitts, Joe McQuillin, Debi Rothermund, Ariel Leshchinsky, Stephany Chacon, Ryan Mitchell,

**Members Absent:** Jim Kiser, Carrie Burkholder, Christina McKnight, Kevin Christman, Clay Simmons, Dan Kermoyan, Denson Chatfield, Bill Coslow, Patrick Hughes, Ricardo Letelier, Kay Miller, Mike Bamberger, Jim Patton, Anthony Veltri, Steve Beaudin, Michael Mitchell

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes from April were updated and were approved.

## **REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS**

The committee reviewed an injury regarding an employee that slid off of the road in a vehicle and hiked 15 miles to the work location. The committee reviewed the Field Safety Plan from the department and the training regarding the plan.

The committee reviewed an injury regarding a GA that had a reaction to insect stings. The committee reviewed PPE availability and training. The committee reviewed employer options for employees with a medical condition that is commonly found in the work environment. Recommendations included contacting Equity and Inclusion and Central HR for guidance.

The committee reviewed three injuries while whitewater rafting. Committee members asked for clarity on the PPE provided to the staff members referencing other PPE options used at other facilities. Committee members also discussed training levels of the guides compared to the river. Committee members requested information about the Field Safety Plan for the trip and approval process for trips. Committee members discussed action plans for trips that have more than one employee or participant injury in more than one incident. An incident investigation has been completed for this injury and provided to EH&S.

## **FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION REPORTS**

May 2015 inspections include:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Facility</b>
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June 2015 inspections include:

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No inspections scheduled for June

## **EH&S REPORT OF UNSAFE CONDITIONS**

Reports to facilities included strange smells and lighting concerns. All have been reviewed and addressed.

Committee members are encouraged to share safety related best practices with the committee. Additional resources can be found at:

<http://hr.oregonstate.edu/training>

<http://oregonstate.edu/training/>

<http://recsports.oregonstate.edu/schedule>

[http://www.saif.com/employer/training\\_calendar/2378\\_calendar.htm](http://www.saif.com/employer/training_calendar/2378_calendar.htm)

<http://risk.oregonstate.edu/resources/training>

<http://hr.oregonstate.edu/benefits/workers-compensation-resources>

<http://hr.oregonstate.edu/benefits/workers-compensation-resources/managers-supervisors-filing-claim>

Committee members encouraged members of the community to contact Mike Sreniawski in EH&S with training or access to training questions.

## **FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE-SAFETY WORK ORDERS REPORT**

None were reported or reviewed.

## **SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE**

In May, EH&S recorded the following safety training across 53 departments:

<b>May</b>	<b>Course</b>
2	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
19	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety (new or refresher)
8	NIH Guidelines
43	Hazardous waste generator
1	Shipping hazardous materials awareness
43	General laboratory safety
30	Animal handler safety
17	Respirator training/fit testing (+1 SCBA fit test)
97	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
1	Chainsaw safety
23	Fire extinguisher
41	Globally harmonized system/hazcomm
28	Golf cart/utility vehicle
18	Office and general safety
12	Safety committee training
23	SIM training
1	Nuclear gauge user
6	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
4	Isotope user refresher
1	Sealed radiation source orientation/refresher
4	X-ray machine safety

## **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was addressed at this meeting.

### **OLD ACTION ITEMS PENDING**

Jennifer Stewart will follow-up with SAIF regarding SIM training for OSU community that are not OSU employees.

Committee members reviewed current practices for student staff unable to complete the essential functions of their employment. Mike Mayers will coordinate a work group to create recommendations for departments.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Sreniawski completed a Safety Committee orientation at the meeting. Members not present will have an opportunity to complete the training outside of the meeting. All staff members are expected to know how to report hazards to their unit or the university, how to suggest corrective action, and how to access information regarding the resolution of concerns.

The committee also reviews the options for department safety committees. Departments are encouraged to have committees to address areas of concern for their unit. These unit committees should bring concerns to the University Safety Committee for advice or notification regarding actions taken.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, June 24, 2:00 – 3:30 pm. McGruder Hall room 269