

## **Oregon State University Health and Safety Committee**

### **Summary of the May 28, 2014 meeting**

**Members present:** Mike Bamberger, Kevin Christman, Jim Ervin, Joe Evans, Camille Freitag, Karin Hardin, Dan Kermoyan, Ariel Leshchinsky, Mike Mayers, Christina McKnight, Heidi Lively Melton, Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Mike Sreniawski, Jennifer Stewart

**Members absent:** Patrick Hughes, Nick Larsen, Ricardo Letelier, Jim Patton, LeAnna Pitts

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Minutes from April were approved.

**NEW BUSINESS** Building security assessments by Public Safety are continuing.

Michelle McDermott from SAIF will attend next month's meeting.

Workers' Comp question regarding norovirus exposure. Student Health staff members who were exposed at work can be eligible for WC if they seek medical care and are required to miss work, because it is in direct relation to their job.

Christina will check into what information Risk Management wants when students are injured in their residence halls.

The new accident report form is up and running on the web. There have been a few glitches so far, but it is mostly working as designed.

### **REVIEW OF INCIDENT STATISTICS AND REPORTS**

University Housing and Dining Services does do a lot of safety training – especially for new workers. However, there were a lot of UHDS incidents this month. Some of the accidents were unusual and training would not have prevented them.

Heidi noted that not all time-loss accidents listed in the report end up being actual time loss incidents. It depends on the worker's regular schedule, type of injury, etc.

Student workers need to be taught to eat right, stay hydrated, and stay cool in order to prevent illnesses (e.g. fainting).

Mike S will ensure that a work order has been initiated to fix the restroom stall door in Cordley that got stuck and caused an injury.

Mike S learned of the dog bite shortly after it happened and attempted to find the dog's owner but had no luck.

There is a rabies prevention program in place on campus. Matt Philpott (Biosafety Officer) is talking with Benton County about reporting requirements. Mike S will work with HR to get reporting streamlined. A person with direct knowledge of the bite needs to report it. HR and/or Matt may need to help the individual make the report. There needs to be a way for OSU to verify/ensure that the bite has been reported.

Ryan will look into the rabies reporting procedures at Veterinary Medicine. Graduate Research Assistants and Graduate Teaching Assistants need to know about accident reporting, as they are often supervising others.

**FIRE/LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS** As listed in the agenda. Members are encouraged to attend any they are interested in.

There were no Unsafe Conditions reported to EH&S this month.

**SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE** In April, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following safety training, which occurred in 44 departments:

31	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety (new or refresher)
1	NIH Guidelines
59	General lab safety
21	Hazardous waste
72	Animal handler safety
30	Respirator training/fit testing
31	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
26	Fire extinguisher
11	Golf/utility cart
2	Hazard communication
3	Office safety
22	Safety In Motion4 (four different modules)
100	Hazard identification for custodial workers
11	X-ray

**FACILITIES SERVICES LIFE-SAFETY WORK ORDERS**

Work orders included fire suppression systems in Weniger, Gilbert and Rogers, and ADA projects near Finley, Cordley, and 30<sup>th</sup> Street sidewalks.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Michelle McDermott from SAIF is willing to provide safety committee training, and has asked what is desired and how much time can be committed. She will attend the June UHSC meeting. It would be interesting to have her tour an area (e.g. Vet Medicine) in July, and/or conduct a night walk.

Other guests for June’s meeting will be Joe Majeski and Bill Coslow, and hopefully a representative from Public Safety.

There was a brief discussion about crime statistics and what is being done to keep buildings safe. Crime stats are available via the Department of Public Safety website (Clery Act Crime Report). Denson Chatfield is the new Head of DPS.

Mike Bamberger is working on emergency management, and specifically with getting Building Managers the direction, policies, procedures, and manuals they need. Joe Majeski is evolving the Building Manager program.

**ACTION ITEM UPDATES (tabled)**

**LeAnna** will check into student employee SIM training. *LeAnna was unavailable to report.*

**Mike M** will follow up on committee membership.

The golf cart safety policy will be resurrected for review. *Mike will be asked to find out the status of the policy.*

**Mike M** on behalf of the committee – Ask Public Safety to increase awareness of bike rules

**Mike M or Jennifer** – An update on the status of the committee charter.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**Mike M and Mike S** will discuss requiring SIM classes for injured workers and targeted departments.

**Mike M** will follow up with Public Safety and the Alternative Transportation Advisory Committee regarding bicycle regulation enforcement.

**NEXT MEETING** **Wednesday, June 25, 2:00 – 3:30 pm. Location: Oak Creek Building 201**

**Safety Committee Roster:** Michael Bamberger, Stephany Chacon, Jim Ervin, Joseph Evans, Camille Freitag, Karin Hardin, Patrick Hughes, Dan Kermoyan, Nick Larsen, Ariel Leshchinsky, Ricardo Letelier, Michael Mayers, Heidi Lively Melton, Kay Miller, Jim Patton, Mike Sreniawski, Jennifer Stewart, Chuck Yutzie

## **DISTRIBUTION:**

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