

Campus-Wide Health and Safety Committee October 28, 2021 - 10:00 am Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting began at 10:00 am. Members present: M. Williams, J. Scheffler,
 S. Milton, S. Momand, B. Cuadros, L. Broussard, O. Faynor, K. Ha, AJ. Diaz, K. Boisselle.

Minutes Review - Mike

Mike said the air purifiers have been ordered and should arrive in 7 days. The HEPA filters
will be coming with activated charcoal. The charcoal is better for organic compounds like
hydrogen sulfide and the HEPA is better for bacterial viruses like COVID so the filters will
cover both concerns.

Covid - 19 - Mike

- Nothing new but check the dashboard on Toros Together that keeps an update on positive
 cases for the week and the number of people that have self-certified and those with
 exemptions for vaccinations.
- Khiem wanted to know if we qualify for a booster shot and Mike said yes schools with support staff do qualify. Khiem said he got a Moderna vaccine but didn't qualify for a booster last week. Mike said he saw they were approved so try again. Khiem wanted to know if the booster would be provided on campus and Mike said not at this time but if there was a lot of interest it would be done. Rite Aid, CVS and the medical provider would be the best right now. Mike will follow up with Nora in Emergency Preparedness. Benjamin wanted to know if the booster will be mandatory and Mike replied not a this time.

Dominguez Channel - Mike

- Mike is monitoring the hydrogen sulfide levels at the Dominguez Channel. The AQMD has put some hydrogen sulfide meters around and the closest is at 213th and Chico which is 3 miles South of us. The levels were low at .50 ppm at that location but the odor threshold is very low at .005 ppm so that is why we can smell it. Mike had Citadel on campus and brought out a gas meter to check the hydrogen sulfide levels last week but if he sees the levels are going higher, he will bring them back again to monitor.
- Public Works put down a biocide over the top of the channel and aerated to push oxygen into the water to kill the anerobic organisms that create the odor. Khiem wanted to know how many people on campus are having an issue with the odor and Mike said about 5-6



people. Khiem said managers aren't communicating with anyone regarding the issue. Dr. Momand from the SHC said 2 students complained of headaches.

W/C Claims - Shaun

• There were 2 reportable incidents in August. For R09 an Instructional Support Tech was cleaning a beaker with soap and it hit the sink and broke causing a laceration on the left hand. An R09 Parking Officer was moving a safety cone so a vehicle could get by and stepped down slipping and injured the left ankle.

Monthly Metrics - Mike

• The Unit 5 injury rates were down, and Unit 7 and unit 9 rates were up due to the 2 incidents. Overall, as a campus our injury rate is 1%.

Open Forum

- Benjamin wanted to know updates on the chain saw training and he also saw 2 grounds workers operating a chain saw in the rain.
- Mike said he created a JSA for the chain saws and gave this Job Safety Analysis to Scott the Grounds Manager to review with the team and asked Scott to contact the manufacturer for the training. Mike thought Scott went over the JSA with his team and will check with Scott about the chain saws being used in the rain.
- Khiem had a concern from others about how often carpets are being vacuumed in offices on the 4th floor of Welch Hall because it wasn't being done. Jon said it is scheduled once per week to clean and vacuum the offices. He said to put in a work request to have it done and he will discuss it with the Custodial Manager.