



Campus-Wide Health and Safety Committee
October 26, 2023 - 10:00 am
Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting began at 10:00 am. Members present: M. Williams, J. Scheffler, S. Milton, S. Turkel, O. Faynor, K. Ha, S. Momand, K. Boisselle, J. Manqueros.

Minutes Review – Mike

- There were no questions on the minutes.

Back Safety Campaign Review – Mike

- On October 10th EHS had a booth at the Health Fair along with our ergonomic consultant E-3 and a masseuse doing back massages. E-3 had some giveaways for ergonomic equipment and EHS gave out back scratchers. The event went over well.
- Shaun said hopefully there will be another health fair that will occur, and we can have something similar at that time. Mike wanted to do a revisit on slips, trips and falls because there are still incidents. Mike showed the website on the October Back Safety Month and the tips he sends out weekly to the campus. The Trades have been using these at weekly tailgate meetings. Mike showed the tips from working at home and the sleeping postures. Shaun used the working from home tips for accommodations for those working at home and these were also provided at the New Employee Orientation for those working at home.

Fall Protection – Competent Person Training - Mike

- The training is for Unit 6 mainly. The campus has a lot of flat roofs like at the Student Health Center. This is a high hazard program and injuries from falls are high severity claims. The training will be 2 days for 13 people in November at the OSHA Training Institute in Extended Education.

Evacuation Chairs in SCI & I & I - Jon

- Jon was in a meeting with the NBS Dean and Associate Dean, and they brought up the lack of evacuation chairs in the Science Building and I & I. This is for those who need help getting down the stairs in an emergency and will require training. Jon will inform the architects for Housing Phase 4 and the Health & Wellness Center which are the new buildings that will be built. The evacuation chairs should be included with the new buildings when they are built.



Culture of Care Pillar Update – Shaun

- Shaun hears a lot of culture of care during this meeting. Thinking about installing evacuation chairs ahead of time is an example of the culture of care. It is a collaborative pillar and involves students, faculty and staff and the wellness we can provide. Wellness is not just from a health perspective it is a day-to-day work and life balance perspective and trying to provide an overall well-being.
- Shaun would like to come to this group to find out from our experiences within our different areas what are some of these wellness areas we may need to better highlight and locate information on to assist our faculty and staff. Shaun will be reaching out to each of us to get any ideas to help further develop that culture of care. It is in everything we do, and she wants us all in the group to have a voice in this area.

W/C Review – Shaun

- In August a Unit 5 custodian was bitten by a spider.
- In September a Unit 5 custodian had a potential chemical exposure but is doing fine.
- In August a Unit 5 grounds worker was driving and struck a wall of a building and there were no injuries.
- In August there was another spider bite on the leg.
- A Unit 5 employee hit a fence driving and no medical treatment was needed. Maybe next campaign will be on driving.
- In August a custodian was walking and felt knee pain.
- Early August a custodian was feeling pain working overtime.
- A Unit 6 employee was using a shear machine to cut metal and braised their fingernail.
- A person had a personal internal incident from a seizure.
- A Unit 9 employee was bit by a mosquito at the WH women's restroom.
- A Unit 7 employee had pain from repetitive motion using the keyboard and mousing.
- A Manager tripped over a drain along the cement sidewalk and twisted their ankle.
- Trip hazards are being reported. Outside of WH the marking is starting to lift where the door opens and closes. Mike said the marking should be removed and the area should be painted instead.
- There was a big spike in insect and bug bites for the summer.
- Mike mentioned a cart safety campaign would be good to have.

Metrics – Mike

- For Unit 5 there were 4 total incidents reported in August with 2 requiring medical treatment. There were 2 incidents reported in September and 1 required medical treatment and looking at 3 as far as severity.
- Overall, the campus as a whole is down from this time last year and went from 1 injury per 100 employees to 3/4 injuries per 100 employees.



- In the Science Building incident there was a failure of the fire life safety sensor. The sensor failed and triggered the alarm so the police department was notified and they called the fire department. The fire department saw the NFPA placards on the outside of the building for hazardous chemicals so they wouldn't enter the building until they knew what chemicals were there. Hazmat was called and there were no chemical leaks or spills in the building. A custodian was transported to the hospital and was checked and released and there was no incident. Since then, the police and fire department were provided with a binder showing what chemicals are in the building.

Open Forum – All

- Sarah thanked Mike and Orson for helping her with her office situation and it smells better now. The office in WH had mold on the floor and Sarah moved to another office down the hall. Someone will occupy her old office so it is good to know the office is OK now. Mike said office F that Sarah was in has the thermostat that controls the temperature for all of the 9 offices. If nobody is in office F and doesn't sense any motion it may be setting the temperature warmer than you would want and may not be working because there is no motion in the office.