

CAS Safety Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2018

Members Present: David Jacobson, Alison Storms, Debbie Dietrich, Barb Lagerquist, Jim Ervin, Carrie Burkholder, Jen Cohen, Gretchen Cuevas, Dan Curry, Lowell Fausett

Members Absent: Dave Bohnert, Kevin Buch, Penelope Diebel, Dan Kermoyan, Seth Spencer, Tim Weinke

Guests: Debbie Dietrich

Updates, announcements

Project Mgr. for new MSI bldg. met with HMSC faculty for an update on safety efforts during construction. They were open to suggestions regarding the building safety during the project.

The new Hazardous Waste Safety Officer from EHS, Mabelle Bamberger, visited HMSC and went over hazardous waste labeling process with the group. They are happy with the interaction and information being provided by EHS.

Break in at HMSC. Window broken and entry made.

There has been an issue with a person making somewhat threatening phone calls to HMSC and it sounds like it could be the same person who has made similar calls to the CAS Admin office. This person is being monitored by OSP.

Carrie will begin using BOX to share documents with the CAS Advisory group rather than sending documents through emails.

UHSC updates and Accident reports

There have been quite a few incidents/accidents in labs related improper or absent PPE. EHS is going to increase their PPE training and education efforts for laboratory employees.

Safety walks on campus are conducted by UHSC committee members on an annual basis in an effort to identify safety hazards on campus. This helps OSU to meet compliance on required quarterly safety inspections. The safety walks are in addition to all other safety inspections on campus. Our off-campus facilities should be performing and tracking quarterly safety inspections. These can be self-assessments or inspections performed by the CAS RSCO or EH&S. Carrie is going to work on some standards and guidelines for our off-campus units to ensure that these inspections are happening and documented.

Accident reports: More and more reports of tick related incidents are listed. OSU does not yet have a safety instruction in place related to tick incidents. Heat stress incident reminds us that we need to be aware of trainings this summer.

Action item follow-up / Old business

Tetanus shots – occupational health manages vaccinations at no charge for those in animal handler program. They also track this information. Right now, there is no regulatory requirement for this vaccination for anyone outside of animal handler program but supervisors of those at risk positions such as farms and fieldwork should strongly recommend that their employees have vaccination before start of work. Supervisors can request vaccination records for employees through OSU Occupational Health who use Oregon Alert, a system that can check to see when someone has had a vaccine.

Youth programs/ waivers – Youth activities (under 18) are highly regulated by OSU. The university is hiring a Director of Youth Programs and once this person is on board, we should see more specific guidance about waiver use in this area. Units working with youth or involved in activities where youth are involved (tours, field trips, etc.) should contact Pre-college Programs here at OSU to find out what kind of involvement they would like to have. If they do not need to be involved and there are specific questions about waivers, contact Risk Management.

Safety training seminars for CAS Safety Coordinators - Discussion about holding some sort of seminar to provide training and education for our safety coordinators. Perhaps model it after OSU Training Days but for safety related items. Carrie will contact other safety compliance units at OSU to see if they would want to partner on this.

New Business

ATV use training requirements – currently OSU employees on OSU property don't need safety card/training for ATV use although safety training of some sort is necessary. The college would like to move towards requiring that all employees who are required to operate an ATV as part of their job duties be required to possess an ATV safety card for Oregon. They should also be able to demonstrate that they can competently operate the vehicle. The card can be received online for free through RideATVoregon.

Forklift training requirements – There is a difference in the frequency requirement for refresher training for forklift operators between OSHA Ag rules and General Industry. To avoid confusion and have consistency within the college we will follow the guidance provided by EH&S for all university employees and continue with the 3-year requirement. We have a clean record

CAS SAC Meeting Schedule for 2018 – Strand 168

September 18, 2018

November 20, 2018