

U-WIDE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

2/8/2023 Meeting Minutes | 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. |

Elected Member*		Appointed Member*		Proxy*	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ryan Hawkinson (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kurt Oglesby (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sulgi Lotze (1)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carmen Parisi, Chair (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Manley (5)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brett Magnuson (2)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nigel Horton (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Andrew Abian (7)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Martin Arroyo (7)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Norm Kwasinski (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Zuckerman (10)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Colleen Irvin (9)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tony Colinares (3)			<input type="checkbox"/>	Andrea Chateaubriand (10)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Christine Aker (4)			<input type="checkbox"/>	Kelly Carter-Lynn (7)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Desi Schatz (4)				Labor Union Member*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ansley Roman (5)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paula Lukaszek, WFSE 1488
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah O'Hara (6)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ann Aumann, SEIU 925
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Harrington (6)			<input type="checkbox"/>	Antonio Vasquez, UAW 4121
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alaron Lewis (7)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Miller (8)				Senate Member*
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephen Costanti (8)			<input type="checkbox"/>	Faculty Senate - TBD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alexander Lefort (9)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = attended meeting * = voting members 13 = voting members for quorum		<input type="checkbox"/>	GPSS - Gabby Rivera
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Coppola (9)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	David Warren (10)				
Ex-Officio Member		Ex-Officio Member		Env. Health & Safety Member	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tracey Mosier, UWF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rick Gleason, DEOHS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katia Harb
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Pennington, UWF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Seth Greenfest, UWHR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eleanor Wade
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric Johnson, UWF TS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jo Hill, AGO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jimmy Spencer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steve Charvat, UWEM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ken Nielsen, Risk Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Erin McKeown
<input type="checkbox"/>	Barry Morgan, UWEM	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan Wagshul-Golden, UWT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sonia Honeydew
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Tritten, UWEM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brett Konzek, UWB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lorilyn A. H. Ignao
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lt. Chris Jaross, UWPD	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tracy Harvey
Guests					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wes Cochran, EH&S	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Allinger, EH&S	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Allyson Long, UWB

1. Attendance/Quorum

Sonia Honeydew announced the group reached quorum.

2. Call to Order and Welcome

Carmen Parisi began the meeting with a land and water acknowledgement and explained the meeting expectations.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Carmen asked for any corrections to the January 2023 meeting minutes and asked for a motion to accept them. Sarah O'Hara motioned to accept. Rick Gleason seconded. No opposition. Meeting minutes were approved.

4. Lab Safety Status Update

Tracy Harvey presented "Lab Safety Inspection Program Updates." 2022 Laboratory Safety milestones included: began inspections for research vessels, launched [hands-on training for chemical hygiene officers](#), developed escalation process with the [Institutional Chemical and Physical Safety Committee \(ICAPS\)](#), published updated [Field Operations Safety Manual](#) and [Laboratory Safety Manual](#), and conducted Laboratory Safety Surveys of UW labs.

EH&S notifies the department chair of upcoming inspections, schedules inspections with PIs, conducts inspections, and posts reports on the [Lab Safety Dashboard](#), which now includes unresolved issues and corrective actions. Findings are sent to the PI. If the lab is unable to address issues within 30 days, the department chair is involved. Lab Safety Dashboards are available for chairs to review every lab's status and unresolved issues. Portals are also available for Deans and other Executives.

About a third of our labs have opportunities for improvement, another third is nearing expectations, and the final third meets expectations. The most common findings are missing written lab procedures, general safety training, container labels, and current chemical inventory. EHS inspected 632 laboratories, with seven serious findings, six subsequently resolved. The final case is awaiting repairs. 21 cases were escalated to ICAPS, and 18 were resolved without being escalated further.

Tracy shared more general announcements about the Lab Safety program. The new [Field Operations Safety](#) webpage is now live. Chemical Hygiene Officer Hands-On training is not required and is offered quarterly. February 13-17 is [laboratory safety awareness week](#), which utilizes a bingo challenge activity to spread awareness.

The 2022 Laboratory Safety Survey of PIs showed the greatest barriers to safety were staff turnover/continuity of information, shared spaces, and inadequate facilities/maintenance.

Committee member requested the group share safety bingo challenge with Chairs; shared in chat.

5. Organizational Group Reports

Carmen asked for organizational group reports consisting of novel topics and updates.

HSC-1

Ryan Hawkinson: nothing new to report.

HSC-2

Brett Magnuson (proxy): continued concerns with parking garage security.

HSC-3

Kurt Oglesby: nothing to report.

HSC-4

Christine Aker: a group replaced their biosafety cabinet but had issues because no eyewash station was available. Their space did not meet certification requirements due to the lack of an eyewash station. Committee emphasized the need to work with EHS before initiating similar projects. Desi worked with EHS to clear up custodial miscommunication about sharps disposal in non-standard waste containers.

HSC-5

David Manley: discussed flu and COVID vaccinations, discussed sharps, and created subcommittee to look into options for hospital accident data comparisons.

HSC-6

Sarah O'Hara: nothing to report.

HSC-7

Alaron Lewis: discussed how to disseminate information from HSC, safety trainings on campus, and how to encourage and track training completion.

HSC-8

Stephen Costanti: new Executive Sponsor began and committee started charter review.

HSC-9

Sarah Coppola: reported that one department experienced workplace violence (WPV) in January and struggled to resolve issues. Both SafeCampus and UWPD responded.

Some HSC-9 buildings are unable to complete proper fire evacuations due to lack of onsite staffing. HSC-9 also has issues with elevators being closed for maintenance or repair, and sometimes they are closed for months at a time. This has been a concern at both Sieg and Foege.

HSC-10

David Zuckerman (technical difficulties, no mic or video): guest speaker Sally Clark held good discussion on campus safety.

6. Union & Senate Reports

GPSS

Not present.

WFSE 1488

Paula Lukaszek indicated she continues to receive complaints from personnel regarding human waste and drug materials in public locations on campus. EH&S, UW Facilities, and Labor Relations have met with concerned personnel and WFSE. Some cleanups are being contracted based on scope. Facilities has standardized the cleanup SOP across their organization. Personnel are trained in Hazcom and Bloodborne Pathogens for managing cleanups of human waste and drug paraphernalia. UWPD and Facilities are also collaborating with U-District partners to locate resources for those who are unhoused. Personnel are reminded to call 911 if they feel unsafe.

SEIU 925

Ann Aumann: nothing to report.

UAW 4121

Not present.

Faculty Senate

Not present.

7. Ex Officio Reports

UW Facilities

Tracey Mosier indicated questions arose about access to proper sharps disposal containers while at work. Someone thought they were in limited supply. Sharps disposal containers are available to all custodial teams. All needles and medical sharps should always be placed in a sharps container that has the biohazard symbol.

UWPD

Lt. Chris Jaross: activity in the Central Plaza Garage produces 2-3 complaints daily and is not just a single issue. There are plans to secure CPG with cameras and gates, but the project will take a couple of years. Recalled Schmitz Hall loading dock incident where UW Facilities hired an outside contractor to clean up waste. This did not solve the issue so there are plans to add fencing to this area.

Emergency Management

Steve Charvat: announced his last meeting with U-Wide and introduced Jim Tritten as the new Business, Academic & Research Continuity (BARC) manager. [BARC program](#) will be reporting directly to Vice President's office. Steve will be staying on until May 1st.

Jim Tritten: introduction, excited for business and resilience continuity efforts.

DEOHS

Rick Gleason: nothing to report.

UWHR

Seth Greenfest: nothing to report.

AGO

Jo Hill: new representative for Attorney General's Office, nothing to report.

Claim Services

Ken Nielsen: nothing to report.

Transportation Services

Eric Johnson: nothing to report.

UW Bothell

Brett Konzek: night walk with Chancellor completed, fifteen people attended. Working toward improved lighting for safety.

UW Tacoma

Susan Wagshul-Golden: not present.

8. EH&S Updates

General

Katia announced that the University's Annual OSHA 300A logs have been posted on the EHS [Accident and Injury Reporting](#) page and asked for the appropriate 300A to be posted on each department's safety bulletin board(s). In 2022, incidence rates increased due to Omicron outbreak both inside and out of medical centers. This month the Accident Prevention unit will focus on

preparing summaries of the 2022 injury and illness data for distribution to each of the Executive Sponsors and their committee chairs.

New EHS employees have started: Jimmy Spencer, Assistant Director for Occupational Safety and Health; Wes Cochran, Occupational Health and Safety Manager; and Brian Allinger, Physical Safety Program Lead.

Labor & Industries

EHS is working with the School of Dentistry on an L&I settlement agreement related to sharps management at a Sand Point clinic.

EH&S responded to L&I regarding workplace violence concerns at Sieg Hall. L&I accepted the response.

9. Good of the Order

Carmen asked for anything for the good of the order. She mentioned that between April 4-6, [Partners in Emergency Preparedness](#) will be holding a conference to learn about emergency preparedness and response. Carmen encouraged members to participate as a volunteer or as a conference attendee. She asked for any other items. No other items were brought to the table.

10. Adjourn

Carmen asked for motion to adjourn. Sarah O'Hara motioned to adjourn. Christine Aker seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned: 1:56pm