

Health and Safety Committee Meeting
UW Oshkosh
Minutes from monthly meeting – September 22, 2011

In attendance:

Health and Safety Committee members: Dana Vaughan, Kim Freier, Dawn Dettlaff, Joe LeMire, Pam Macwilliams, Mike Morrissey, Anna Filipova, George Paul, Chuck Hermes, Evan Schwalbe, Randy Hedge

Safety Team members: Jeanne Pobanz

Health and Safety Committee members absent: None. Waiting for appointments from OSA for 2 students and Academic Staff Senate for 2 academic staff.

1. Announcements:
2. Minutes.
 - a. The group approved the minutes from August 18 meeting.
 - b. Joe and Chuck gave an update on the road construction on High and on Elmwood. There is a bike lane that is being marked on High Avenue which impacts the spacing of the two lanes for cars. There is no curb cut in the cul-de-sac on Elmwood in front of Reeve. The City does not install curb cuts except for at intersections.
 - c. E2campus/Titan Alert. Joe reported that he has been promoting the sign-up for Titan Alert to all students. Jamie reported that we have discovered other enhancements that we could be using in Titan Alert (Facebook, Twitter, RSS feed, etc.). Alex Hummel, Randy, Jamie, Joe and Evan will be meeting to review e2Campus capabilities later this month.
 - d. Randy reported that we have four vacancies left to fill on the committee roster. We have two openings on the academic staff, and two students. Randy will continued to request nominees.
3. Old Business:
 - a. Snow issue. We discussed the snow removal issue that Adam was working with. Because Adam has resigned, we discussed how and if we should proceed. Several ideas came up for helping with snow removal. Randy will discuss this with the administration and get some direction. He will report back at next meeting.
 - b. Fire Drill report - Mike reported on the fire drills held in campus buildings on September 15. He worked with the Safety Team volunteers to manage the event. Halsey was the only building where there appear to be some issues with classes releasing during the fire drill. Mike also reported that there were many doors that had paper taped to the glass for privacy reasons. This makes it hard to clear rooms easily during a fire drill or in the case of an actual fire.
 - c. Soap Dispensed in campus restrooms – Mike researched through Campus Stores what was available for green product. There is no anti-bacterial soap that is a

green product. Pam Macwilliams brought information from the Center for Disease Control about hand-washing and recommendations for good practice in public buildings. Pam recommends a three-dimensional approach: (1) the Health Center will do a campus PR campaign to teach people good hand-washing, (2) purchase and distribute more hand sanitizer to be available in higher traffic/public locations, (3) purchase a trial amount of anti-bacterial dispensers to be used in the Health Center and one other location initially. Mike will assist her with this.

- d. Conceal and Carry – Joe reported that signs were now available through Stores, and by next month we should see signs, and more information campus-wide on the new law. Dana Vaughan asked about language that might be used for a professor’s syllabus about the new law, as professors and academic staff are concerned about classroom safety.
4. New Business:
 - a. Lab Safety – The meeting ended before this could be discussed, but Randy shared that research was being done, and there is a group meeting Friday to further discuss this issue.
 5. PLEASE NOTE: Next meeting is Thursday, October 20, 10 a.m. in the Admin Services Conference room (D236).
 6. Tentative Agenda for next meeting is:
 - a. Update on membership – Randy (need student and academic staff appointments.)
 - b. Follow-up on Fire Drill safety – Mike, Randy, Joe, and Evan will meet and talk about the paper issue, and what to do about the non-compliance in Halsey.
 - c. Soap and hand-washing – Pam and Mike (update).
 - d. Snow removal – Randy will report on visit with administration.
 - e. Update on Conceal and Carry – Joe
 - f. New business: Discussion about lab safety and review of information. - Dana, Randy – Dana has two items (1. AT Letter to the Editor 2. Smoking ban) – Evan has PR for H&S
 - g. Other