

MINUTES  
University Safety and Health Committee

April 13, 2012 10 a.m.  
Clocktower Room, Student Center

Attendees: Cliff Anderson, Domenic Forcella, Megan Funaro, Neil Glagovich, Rene Karas-Johnson, Carol Morano, Ray Primini (DAS), Rebecca Straub, Anna Suski-Lenczewski, Coleen Sturken

Absent: Jean Alicandro, Richard Bachoo, Sharon Braverman, Laurie Colburn, Sally Lesik, Elizabeth Mashiak, Jason Powell, Joseph Starzyk

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Karas-Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. C. Morano moved, seconded by C. Sturken, to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2012 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Issues brought up during last meeting were addressed. The Police reviewed 4 hours of video but could not find the vehicle reported as driving on the sidewalk at an excessive speed. The Library door was adjusted. There were still reports of the wind causing the door to remain open.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Review of E-mails Received

No e-mails received.

##### Member Concerns and Suggestions

D. Forcella provided that extension cords, i.e., power strips are only to be used for computers and computer-related equipment (e.g. printers). Power strips are not to be used for refrigerators, fans, coffee pots, etc. An e-mail will go out to the campus alerting all about this. This is not only a sustainability issue (having numerous refrigerators and coffee pots using energy) but also hazardous and against OSHA regulations. We have been cited as being out of compliance in the past for such items as well as electric heaters being used during the winter. Any cracks in wiring, cords should be reported to Environmental Health and Safety. 3-prong cords should not be altered to fit a 2-prong outlet.

N. Glagovich commented about the campaign to make everyone on campus aware of the prohibitions of smoking near building doors. He stated that there have been problems in getting students interested in this action. An attempt was made in the fall to get student organizations involved, possibly pre-health committee. He's trying to involve students in the dorms. R. Straub added that Res Life was also trying to start up this program. Neil would like to work with the RD's and RA's possibly starting with one building such as a dorm, to mark the entrance area as a no-smoking area.

It was suggested again that ashtrays be moved further away from building entrances and doors. Smoking is taking place on the new Library deck. "No smoking" signs should be put up in this area.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Anna E. Suski-Lenczewski*