**MINUTES**

University Safety and Health Committee

November 30, 2017 9:25 am

East Hall

Attendees: Cliff Anderson, Jonathan Famiglietti, Ellen Mantel, Karen Misbach, April Palombizio, Steve Schrag (guest)

Absent: Brenda Albert, Richard Bachoo, Sharon Braverman, Laurie Colburn, Neil Glagovich, Rene Karas-Johnson, Sally Lesik, Ray Primini (DAS)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee member Misbach called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. Minutes from the September 28, 2017 meeting were reviewed. C. Anderson motioned to approve the minutes, and J. Famiglietti seconded the motion.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Reminder regarding the CCSU smoking policy was distributed to the campus community on November 13, 2017 by Facilities Management.

TAT training was conducted on October 26, 2017 for the Safety & Health committee.

C. Anderson indicated that Lab Monitors are now in place (not currently on patrol thru labs), several groups of students have received training, and signed confirmations will follow.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A test of the Emergency Notification System was conducted on 11/29/17.

New equipment in the Bichum lab has been installed (‘Flume’). Training will be conducted next week.

C. Anderson indicated that senior projects are under way. He noted that there are some concerns regarding student’s use of outside resources for welding work. Discussion regarding student safety, available campus resources and standards. C. Anderson pointed out that offsite work is normally done under oversite of a city/town and includes projects such as surveying, road projects, and samples. K. Misbach noted she would have a conversation with Jessica Hernandez (Coordinator of Community Engagement) and possibly others regarding their approach to offsite activities.

K. Misbach informed the committee that a consultant has conducted ‘noise mapping’ at the Energy Center (steam) as well as Copernicus (machining & wood working). Air studies for dust and silica have also been done in Copernicus and Maloney Halls. All are within acceptable standards, showing levels that are below OSHA limits. Report results will be sent to Deans and faculty.

K. Misbach also indicated that procedures will be distributed shortly to the campus regarding the use of extension cords. Committee discussion regarding the current usage observed on campus. K. Misbach informed the committee that additional receptacles (electrical outlets) are being installed to address the need for safe, permanent power sources.

C. Anderson mentioned that there is a need for replacement of an older access ramp.

There is a general consensus of those in attendance that smoking in areas not designated for smoking on campus has improved.

Visitor, Steve Schrag, Director of Safety & Training with the CEUI bargaining unit posed the following questions to the committee which K. Misbach answered.

SS: When was the last time confined space training was conducted?

KM: CCSU has contracted with a vendor for the training.

SS: Are records available regarding asbestos training and information?

KM: Information is available in the CCSU Engineering Office. Employees may contact K. Misbach to review.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

K. Misbach will conduct a poll regarding committee member availability for 2018 meetings. The schedule for the Safety & Health Committee will be distributed at a later date following that poll.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Mantel