## **MINUTES**

# University Safety and Health Committee February 1, 2013 11:00 am Student Center

Attendees:

Cliff Anderson, Laurie Colburn, Domenic Forcella, Rene Karas-Johnson,

Carol Morano, April Palombizio, Coleen Sturken, Anna Suski-Lenczewski

Absent:

Jean Alicandro, Richard Bachoo, Sharon Braverman, Neil Glagovich, Sally Lesik,

Jason Powell, Ray Primini, Rebecca Straub, Joseph Starzyk

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Karas-Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:04 am. C. Morano moved, seconded by C. Sturken to approve the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- L. Colburn asked for more information about a report of a Police Officer parked in an unsafe location in October.
  - o R. Karas spoke to Lt. Dercole who promised to speak to the officers. In the future, Lt. Dercole asked for more specific information, i.e. date, time of incident so that he may follow up with the appropriate officer.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Review of E-mails Received

No e-mails received.

# Member Concerns and Suggestions

- A. Lenczewski stated that Workers' Compensation claims are up for January 2013. She stressed the
  need to report workplace injuries in a timely manner. MedWorks in Newington and Alliance
  Occupational in Plainville are providers of services for CCSU employees who are injured at work.
- C. Anderson commented on the state of the men's restrooms on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Copernicus. He reported missing soap dispensers, malfunctioning paper towel dispensers, missing items, and doors not being secure. This area takes a lot of traffic. Similar issues in other academic buildings. This is problematic when we should be trying to fight infection (flu, viruses) by practicing good hygiene (i.e. hand-washing). (R. Karas-Johnson to follow-up with Facilities.)
- D. Forcella noted that extension cords are not allowed on campus. Power strips are only to be used for computer apparatus. Everything else should be plugged in directly to a wall outlet (coffee pots, refrigerators, microwaves, etc.) per OSHA.
- L. Colburn had an idea for a health/walk for Employee Appreciation Week. She will follow up with Laurie Dunn in Human Resources who is coordinating the event.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

L. Colburn moved seconded by C. Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna E. Suski-Lenczewski