

Chancellor's University Safety Committee Meeting
Quarterly Meeting – Open Forum
April 21, 2009 • 3:00 p.m.
Nebraska Union-City Campus

The meeting was convened by Larry Schmid. Attendees introduced themselves

Members Present: Larry Schmid (Custodial Services), Eileen Bergt (Landscape Services), Greg Maguire (Housing), Jane Wemhoff (Housing-Dining Services), Dr. Roger Quiring (UHC), Logan Dana (NEREC-attending remotely), Brenda Osthus (EHS), Betsy Howe (EHS), Yoko Smith (EHS) plus three guests attending the Open Forum.

FY 2009 (3rd Quarter) INJURY/ILLNESS REPORT

Yoko Smith reviewed the third quarter incidents by department, incidents by cause and incidents by type of employment.

- 22% of incidents reported this quarter were the result of slips, trips and falls. 39% of incidents involved material handling and 'struck by'.
- Four high-cost injuries for the quarter were presented. The estimated costs this quarter were relatively low.
- Yoko reviewed the calendar year (January – March 2009) incidents rates. OSHA recordable incidents are tabulated by calendar year.

OLD BUSINESS

Automatic External Defibrillators

- Yoko Smith will develop a short AED maintenance announcement for the E-News. It will be distributed twice a year. Reference will be made to the Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) Safe Operating Procedure (SOP) available through the EHS web site.

CUSC Member Categorization, Terms, Recruitment

- Larry Schmid will follow up with the proposed new Campus Rec representative.
- There was one advance nomination for the position of Vice Chair and no nominations from the floor. At the end of the April meeting, current Vice Chair, Christine Cary becomes CUSC Chair. Dave Morgan, contacted after the meeting, has agreed to accept the position of Vice Chair.

12th Street Water Main Replacement

- Eileen Bergt provided an update on this project. The city accepted a bid. Work will begin May 11 and be completed by August 7, 2009. The contractor will be boring most of the way, resulting in less soil disruption and minimal tree destruction. The UNL contact is Charlie Griesen.

OPEN FORUM

Twice a year the campus community has an opportunity to bring their safety concerns to the attention of the CUSC at a regular quarterly meeting.

- April Schueths brought up two concerns that arose at the April "Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women."
 - Dormitory safety. Greg Maguire told the group that lockdown issues are under discussion. The issue is complex, as many want increased security/entry

restrictions and many consider increased security/entry processes too restrictive. Sammi Nabulsi, RHA (Residence Hall Association) President, is the point of contact for questions and concerns on this topic.

- Questions were raised regarding the 'NU on Wheels' Program, specifically whether there are background checks on the volunteer taxi drivers. Chair Larry Schmid will request Sgt. Jeff Hohlen, UNLPD, contact Ms. Schueths. Since this is an ASUN-sponsored program, it was also suggested that April contact ASUN with questions/concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

October Open Forum meeting date change

- The October quarterly meeting date was changed to Tuesday, October 13, 2009, in order to avoid conflicting with the 2009 CUSC Employee Safety Fair. Meeting location is the Nebraska City Union.

2009 Employee Safety Fair

- Betsy Howe reported that the Centennial Room at Nebraska City Union is reserved for this October 20, 2009, event.
- Betsy reviewed lessons learned/suggestions from the 2007 CUSC Employee Safety Fair and training topic ideas submitted for the 2009 Safety Fair. She has developed a draft project plan to facilitate CUSC sub-committee work.
- Betsy was directed to email membership to recruit a sub-committee by May 1, 2009, the date necessary to begin to put plans in place.

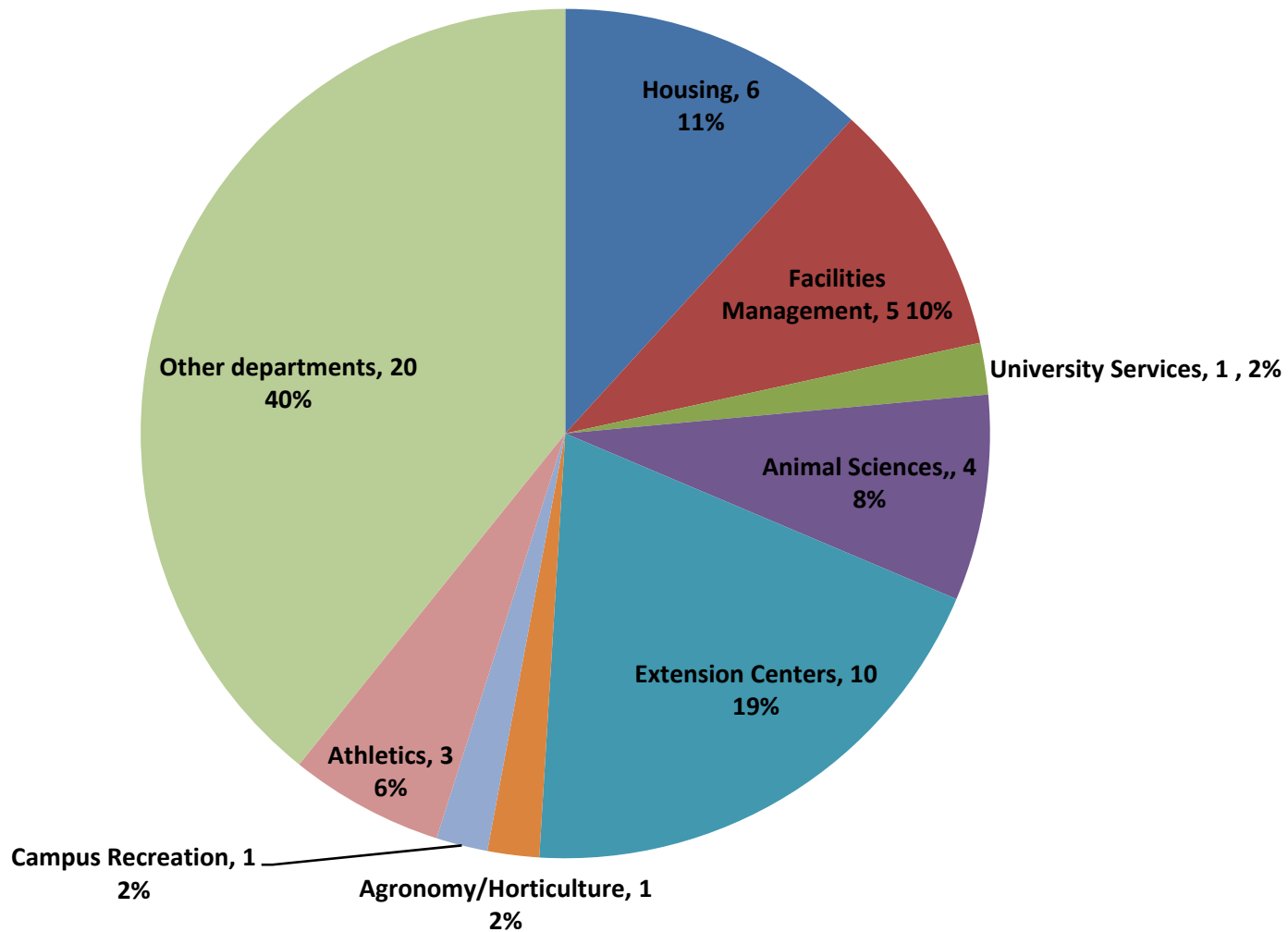
CLOSING REMARKS

The next meeting will be held July 21, 2009, at the Osborne Athletic Complex, fourth floor conference room.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Larry Schmid.

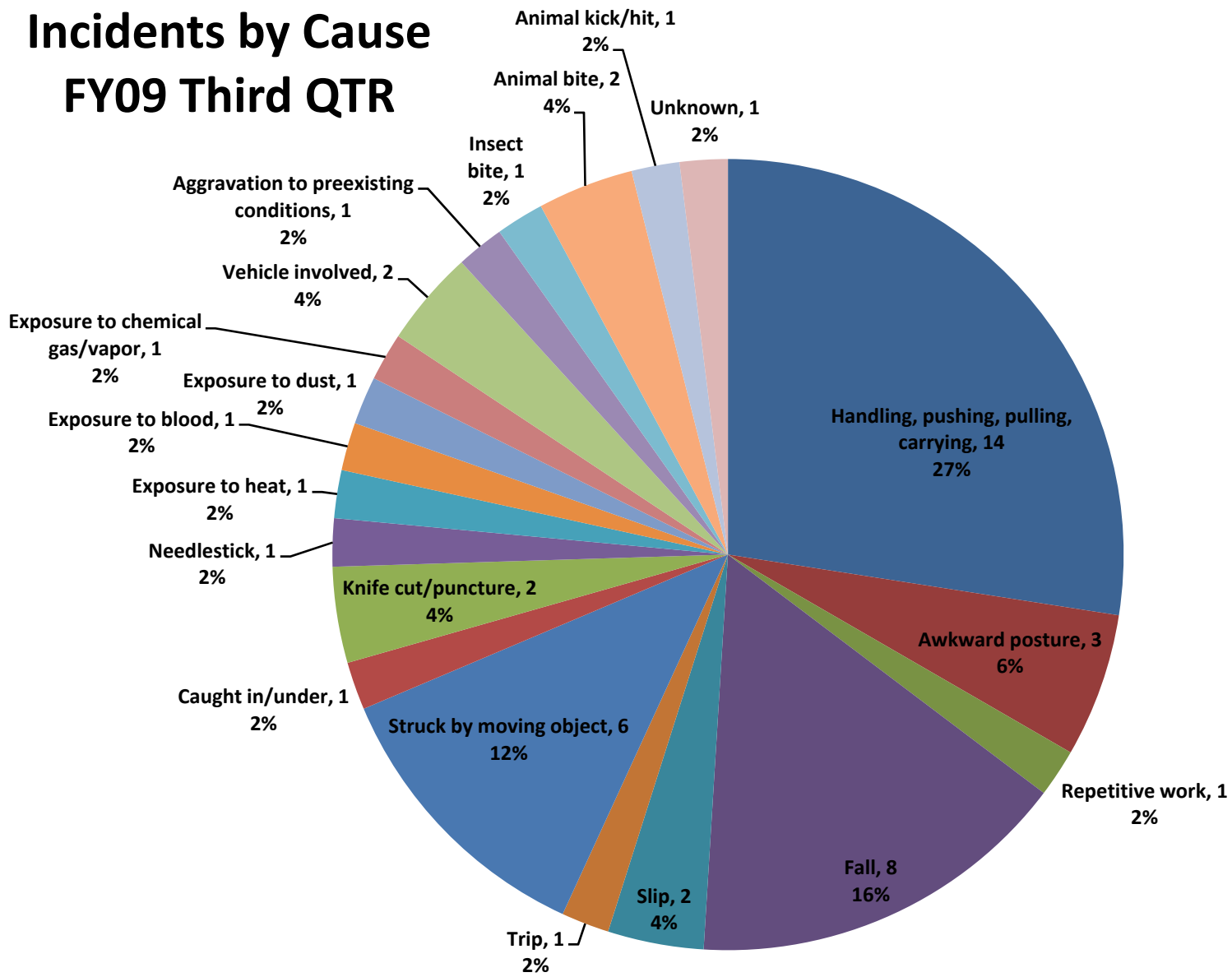
Incidents by Department

FY09 Third Quarter

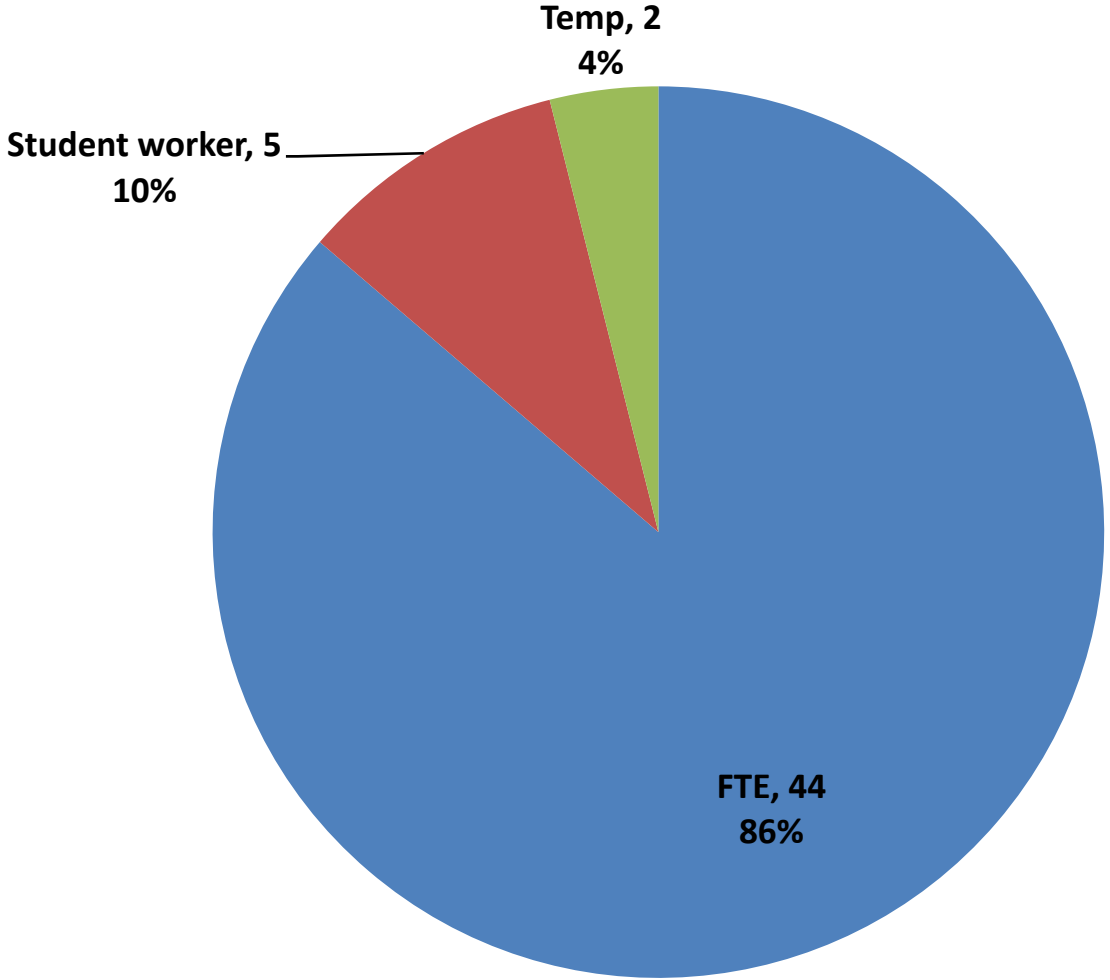


Other departments include:
 NETV, Food Science and Technology, School of Music, College of Law, Conservation and Survey Division, Veterinary & Biomedical Sciences, Psychology, Chemical Engineering, Biological Sciences, Entomology, University Police, Lied Center, Administrative Systems, Architectural Engineering, General Studies, Theatre Arts and Dance, EE&O Business Operations,

Incidents by Cause FY09 Third QTR



**Types of EmploymentFY09
Third QTR**



Incident Rate YTD (Jan, Feb. Mar. 2009)

Dept. Name	Hours Worked	# of Total Accidents	# of OSHA Recordable Accidents	# of Lost Time Accidents	Accident Rate (Includes all accidents)	OSHA Recordable Accident Rate	Lost Time Accident Rate*
Housing	296148.09	6	1	0	4.05	0.68	0.00
Facilities Management	236034.24	5	2	0	4.24	1.69	0.00
University Services	86812.68	1	1	1	2.30	2.30	2.30
Animal Science	65935.14	4	1	1	12.13	3.03	3.03
Extension Centers	296550.78	10	4	3	6.74	2.70	2.02
Student Union	54627.24	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Agronomy/Horticulture	131955.30	1	0	0	1.52	0.00	0.00
Campus Recreation	48572.43	1	1	0	4.12	4.12	0.00
Athletics	168522.03	3	1	1	3.56	1.19	1.19
Other Units/Departments	2794826.55	20	11	2	1.43	0.79	0.14
Total	4179984.48	51	22	8	2.44	1.05	0.38

*Lost time accidents include lost work time accidents and accidents that caused workers to be on modified duties or to move to a different position.
 Rate=(Number of incident X 200,000)/Hours worked

Following are the rates for comparable industries in 2006. (Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics News)

OSHA does not keep records of all-accident rates.

Industry	Recordable case rate	Lost-time accident rate
Agricultural production - crops	5.8	3.1
Agricultural production - livestock	8.1	3.9
Building Equipment Contractors (electrical, plumbing, etc)	6.4	3.1
Food Service and drinking places	4.2	1.4
Services to buildings	4.5	2.7
Colleges and universities	2.5	1

Summary of High Cost Incidents (January – March 2009)

Department	Date of incident	Description of the event	Investigation and corrective action	Estimated cost
General Studies	3/8/09	Employee fell and injured their head and spine in Canfield Administration Building.	The area was very dark when the injured employee was found. Other possible contributing factors have not been determined.	Not yet determined
Psychology	1/23/09	Employee slipped on an icy patch at the SW corner of Stadium Drive and fractured their left ankle.	The area was icy due to snowfall. Landscape Services was notified of the incident.	\$7,935.79
Animal Sciences	1/12/09	Employee was on their way to a meeting in Iowa and was involved in multi-car accident.	Snowy travel conditions existed. Employee did not see a semi-trailer jack-knifed and in their path on an exit ramp. The employee stated that, in future, they will change their travel schedule when the weather is severe.	\$1,122.12
Chemical Engineering	1/10/09	Employee felt pain in their lower back after moving several pieces of equipment.	The supervisor stated carts and other devices to handle materials are provided for employee use.	\$1,071.67