Chancellor’s University Safety Committee (CUSC) Meeting
January 17, 2023   -   3:00-4:00 p.m.
EHS Training Room & Zoom

AGENDA

1. Introductions & Welcome (Zoom mute) (3:00 – 3:05 p.m.) Michael Livingston

2. Old Business
   A. A volunteer for outreach to https://www.unl.edu/greek/ - digital signage contacts for your building(s) provided to Betsy Howe (3:05 – 3:10 pm)
   B. Update on ASUN publicity efforts/lighting concern (3:10– 3:15 p.m.) Naren Narasimhan
   C. Other Old Business (3:15 – 3:20 p.m.)

3. New Business
   A. Emergency planning & preparedness (3:20 – 3:25 p.m.) Mark Robertson
   B. Safety Info: Building & Fire Safety (3:25 – 3:50 p.m.) Rick Campos
   C. Other new business (3:50 – 3:55 p.m.)

4. Injury Incidents 2nd Quarter 2023 (3:55 – 4:00 p.m.) Aaron Araiza

5. Adjourn Michael Livingston

Meeting Schedule (EHS training room, Warehouse 1, East Campus and Zoom)

- March 21, 2023 (not spring break) OPEN FORUM
- May 16, 2023- (Injury/Illness & Safety Audit reports Jan-Mar 2023)
- July 18, 2023- (Injury/Illness & Safety Audit reports April-June 2023)

Goal FY 2022-2023:

Develop, review, maintain lines of safety communication with the purpose of engaging the campus community, in particular by encouraging all to recognize and report “near misses” or potentially unsafe practices with this information to be used for educational purposes university wide.
The meeting was convened at 3:00 p.m. by Chair, Michael Livingston.

INTRODUCTIONS

All attendees introduced themselves by name and the department/facility they represent.

Members In Attendance: Martha Morton (Chemistry), Ron Bacon (Custodial Services), Rick Campos (Facilities, Planning & Capital Programs), Eileen Bergt (Landscape Services), Jeremy Hiller (SNR), Jon Shields (Nebraska Unions), Sandra Christofferson (Ag Research Project Manager), Alan Boldt (BSE), Barb McCain (Dining Services), Marla Nissan (UNOPA), Mark Robertson (UNL Police), Kyle Hansen (CREC), Deb Royal (Vet Diagnostic), Jody Wood (IEC), Lynn Doser (The Sheldon), Stacie Ray (School of Education & Human Sciences), Brenda Osthus (EHS), Aaron Araiza (EHS injury reporting), and Elizabeth (Betsy) Howe (EHS administrative support).

Safety Committee Chairs: Erin Bauer (Entomology) and Oak Williams for Adam Eakin (University Museum), Logan Dana (Haskell Ag Lab)

OLD BUSINESS

Digital Signage Contacts

Betsy Howe asked that each member provide their building(s)/facility/department digital signage contact to allow follow-up promotion of Heads Up! and Plan Ahead using digital signage resources across UNL.

Update on ASUN Publicity Efforts/Lighting Concern

Naren Narasimhan was not in attendance. This agenda item will be moved forward to the next meeting.

Ideas to extend reach to students in general:

- One-on-one, e.g., getting information to dormitory RAs to inform residents
- Get the Greek houses involved
Volunteer for Outreach to Greek Organizations

Michael Livingston asked for a volunteer to reach out to Greek organizations at UNL (https://www.unl.edu/greek/) to request their assistance to promote safe walking, driving, biking, skateboarding, scootering. No one volunteered at this meeting. This is an open item.

Other Old Business

Heads Up! Yard Signs.

Jody Wood noted that the Heads Up! Yard signs have been printed. Jody will work with the Union to find an optimal two weeks to put out the signs, likely in spring when the ground is not frozen. The plan is to put up the signs on City Campus one week and on East Campus one week. Jody will keep Michael Livingston in the loop. Michael volunteered to help put up/take down the signs on East Campus.

There was no other old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Planning & Preparedness

Mark Robertson noted that the schedule for presentations that cover all hazards on campus and continuity planning currently has many open slots. Therefore, now would be a good time to request a presentation and get onto the schedule.

The Covid Task Force is now offline but will reactivate if necessary.

The Emergency Operations Center will resume exercises and programs soon.

Resource: Rick Campos

Rick Campos, Fire Inspector for the University System, provided information on what services he and his area provide related to building and fire safety. He also included information on safe air fryer use, an area not currently addressed in university policy, but a safety concern if not used properly. While Rick has an @unl.edu email, he indicated the best email to reach him quickly is rcampos@nebraska.edu. One addition to Rick’s presentation is that their office also is responsible for regulations pertaining to aboveground and underground fuel storage tanks.

New Business

There was no other new business.
Injury Incident Report 2nd Quarter 2023

Aaron Araiza noted that during the 2nd quarter of the current fiscal year there was one near miss. From October 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, there were thirty (30) First Reports of Injury (FRIs). Nine of these incidents (29%) were classified as OSHA-Recordable, considered more serious injury incidents. Five OSHA-Recordable incidents required workers be off work or have their work duties restricted.

Aaron noted that, with anticipated winter icy conditions, members should caution their workers to pay special attention while walking to avoid slips and falls. There was some discussion about the building ice melt. After the meeting Eileen Bergt, Landscape Services, provided the following information:

Landscape Services staff clarified that the primary purpose for the ice melt containers is for use by Landscape Services and Custodial staff. The containers are so Landscape Services staff can quickly spread ice melt when they don’t have ice melt otherwise available as they scoop snow or if they notice a slippery spot at the buildings. Custodial Services also uses the ice melt to spread as needed during their shift. During the winter, Landscape Services staff refill the ice melt containers when they are empty and/or Custodial lets them know when the containers need to be refilled or a location added.

Other New Business

There was no other new business

CLOSING REMARKS

Michael Livingston, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm. The next meeting will be on March 21, 2023.
Safety Information

Rick Campos
NU Systems Fire Inspector (UNL, UNO, UNK)
Facilities, Planning & Capital Programs (FP&CP)
1901 “Y” Street
Retired from LFR in 2019

- 27 years
- Firefighter, Paramedic, Haz-Mat Tech, Bomb Tech, Fire Investigator, Code Enforcement (Frat/Sort, Schools, Hotel/Motel)
- NWU Alumni (Organizational Leadership/Communications)
- NFPA & ICC Certifications
- Dawn: FF/Medic with LFR
- 2 Daughters: Kate & Sami
- 3 Grown Adult Children
- Hobbies: Droning/Photography/Videography
Who We Are:

- Richard Firebaugh: NU Systems Fire Marshal
- Jeff Lamp: Electrical Specialist
- Rick Campos: Fire Inspector
- Bradley Schweigart: Building Inspector
- Gavin Denton: Building/Fire Inspector (UNK)
- Joe Lamp: Building Inspector
- Mark Yung: Building Inspector
What We Do:

- **Delegated Authority: SFM (Building & Fire Code)**
- Plan Reviews, Inspections, Testing of FSP/FA system per NFPA standards.
- Final building inspections: per IBC, punch lists, warranty logs.
- Building assessments: Fire Safety Planning & Plans of Correction.
- Event Approvals: Tents/Fireworks/Pyrotechnic
- Code Compliance: Q/A (Buildings/Labs/Dorms/Policies & Procedures.)
Examples:

• Fire Extinguisher Placement
• Chemical Storage/Usage
• LSC Installation Coordination
• Fire Code Compliance
• LFR Liaison
Specific Examples:

**Air Fryer Usage**

1. Acceptable in Kitchen/Breakrooms.
2. Must be UL/FM Listed.
3. Must be in good working condition.
4. Must be placed on a non-combustible surface.
5. Must be directly plugging into a wall outlet, with no extension cords or power strips.
6. Must always be located and operated in accordance with the manufacture’s recommendations/instructions.
7. Ensure ventilation ports are not blocked and exhausted properly.
8. Unplug the air fryer when not in use.
9. Never leave the air fryer unattended while cooking.
What We Don’t Do:

• Yearly or compliance inspections for LS Systems: Justus Foged, EHS Program Manager Rick Able, Jon Pohlmann, Aaron Araiza.

• Service or Repair:
  • Cain Dixon, BSM Program Manager
  • Russ Goodwin, Tanner Nordeen
Questions?

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CUSC Workers Compensation Incident Report (October-December 2022)

As of December 31, 2022, thirty (30) FRIs were received for injuries and one (1) near-miss occurring between October 1 and December 31, 2022.

- Fifteen (15) or 48% were “report only” (no medical treatment sought)
- Six (6) or 19% were not OSHA recordable, meaning they were minor in nature (requiring only one visit to the clinic without prescription medication).
- Nine (9) or 29% were classified as OSHA recordable and are considered potentially more serious. Five (5) or 16% of the OSHA recordables are “lost time” incidents that require the employee to be away from work or have restricted work.