

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND SAFETY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
August 16, 2024**

Attendees:

Michelle Cesen – PPAT
Tracey Grant – UAW 1976
Tanya Johnson – Science Complex
Matt Lige, - DPS Chief
Pat McGill – DPS Officer's

Jeffrey Norris – Rec/IM
Clifford Sims - Athletics
Tiffany Smith – UAW 1975
Joseph Torres – DPS Sergeant's
Kathryn Wilhoff – EHS

Absent:

Timothy Allen, Laura Drabczyk, Audrey Farrugia, Chris Grant, Don Gregory, Candace Hunter, Kristen Klochko, Charles Krey, Kevin Lawson, James McEvers, Emily McKinnie, Auggie Mickevicius, Lisa Mitchell, Mary-Elizabeth Murphy, John Sidelinker, LaMar Stewart, Shana Thompson, Mia VanSlyke and Crystal Walrath

1. This meeting was conducted via Zoom.
2. The activity report for July/August was sent to the committee members prior to the meeting. The following items were discussed:
 - a. Tanya Johnson inquired about the campus lighting project, item 5y. Tanya expressed concerns regarding the project communications. An email was received indicating the chemicals and lab equipment needed to be removed for the work to occur. Many labs have already been set up for the semester. Discussion after the meeting with Tony Duty from Centrio indicated this is a work in progress and Centrio is more than willing to work with the building occupants to coordinate schedules. A meeting is scheduled with all the Mark Jefferson parties on Tuesday August 20th.
 - b. Jeff Norris inquired about the COOPS, item 4j. Kathryn reported the reviews are on-going and slowed somewhat by the recent audit that is requiring IT information be included in the plans. Most of the plans need to be returned for the IT update. The IT information is a significant project as it requires people to know how and where documents and programs are being stored and backed up, how often, etc.
3. Joe Torres noted DPS is ramping up for Move-In and all is going well. The move-in will be staggered again this year. Cathy Wilman retired and Pat McGill and Andre Elliott will be the Community Engagement Officers. In the interim, Chief Lige, Lt. Young and Sgt. Torres are covering many of the events.
4. Pat McGill noted Jones/Goddard has been torn down and Brown/Munson has been fenced off in preparation for their demolition. Pat inquired how will the safety of the faculty, staff and students be addressed by the demolition companies with all the truck traffic and construction equipment? Pat also reported the hose running from the fire hydrant to the Brown-Munson

project was not covered to allow for handicapped travel. After the meeting, these concerns were reported to the EMU Project Manager for follow up with Gilbane.

5. Michelle Cesen reported the Pepsi machine in Boone has been removed without notice. This is an issue as OSHA training classes are held in the building and attendees are generally from outside the University. Kevin Lawson was contacted regarding the concern.
6. Chief Lige reported the following:
 - a. The toggle lock installation project is going well. Locks have been installed in Pray-Harrod, Strong, Sill and Mark Jefferson. There are 18 buildings on the list for installation at a cost of \$1.8 million. Marshall is the next building on the installation list.
 - b. The Blue Light Kiosks are being updated.
7. Jeff was pleased to report this is the first fall semester in several years with no construction!! Jeff inquired what was the best way to notify DPS and REM of the large swim meets to avoid scheduling conflicts with the monthly emergency notification testing. Chief Lige responded to contact Laura Drabczyk.
8. Cliff Sims reported it has been a very busy summer for Athletics, highlighting the following:
 - a. The Crosby Field at Rynearson has been completed and is open for business.
 - b. The replacement bubble for the Indoor Practice Field is almost completed.
 - c. The new track is expected to be completed in late October/early November.
 - d. They are laying asphalt this week around Oestrike Stadium and Rynearson.
 - e. A large fiber upgrade project was completed.
 - f. The first home football game is September 14.
 - g. Soccer has a new coach and they beat Oakland
9. Chris Grant was not able to attend but asked the following be reported:
 - a. A safety chain for compressed gas cylinders was installed at the Rec/IM.
 - b. Numerous trip hazards were removed by concrete grinding at the George Gervin GameAbove Center (1100 linear feet).
 - c. All of the sidewalks on the south end of the Student Center Lot and by the east side where the handicap spots are located were replaced.
 - d. Two cover plates were installed on the old gate box accesses in the road at the entry to Student Center Lot A-1.
 - e. In the next couple of weeks, the following is planned:
 - i. Repair the steps across from Pease Auditorium.
 - ii. Repair the curb along the east side of Pierce by Swoop's Pantry entrance.
 - iii. Replace damaged sidewalks around the circle flower box between Warner and Porter.
 - iv. The salt bay was repaired and now the salt needs to be returned to the bay.
 - f. Hopefully before winter, the damaged sidewalk along East Circle Drive between Pray-Harrod and Warner in the area of the circle flower bed at the bottom of the hill will be replaced.

**The next Health and Safety Committee Meeting is Friday
September 20, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.**