

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND SAFETY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

December 20, 2024

Attendees:

Laura Drabczyk – Risk & Emergency Mgmt
Chris Grant – Facilities & Grounds
Tanya Johnson – Science Complex Manager
Jeffrey Norris – Rec/IM

Tiffany Smith – UAW 1975
Joseph Torres – Police Sergeants
Kathryn Wilhoff – EHS

Absent:

Timothy Allen, Michelle Cesen, Audrey Farrugia, Tracey Grant, Don Gregory, Candice Hunter, Kristen Klochko, Charles Krey, Matt Lige, James McEvers, Pat McGill, Emily McKinnie, Auggie Mickevicius, Lisa Mitchell, Mary-Elizabeth Murphy, John Sidelinker, Clifford Sims, Cathy Steiner, LaMar Stewart, Shana Thompson, Mia VanSlyke and Crystal Walrath

1. This meeting was conducted via Zoom.
2. The activity report for November/December was sent to the committee members prior to the meeting. The following item was discussed:
 - a. Tanya Johnson asked how the snorkel inspections are going, item 11j. Kathryn Wilhoff reported they are going very well, very few issues.
3. Kathryn noted the following items from Jim McEvers and Auggie Mickevicius:
 - a. The new EPA Methylene Chloride rule will require the laboratories to either eliminate the use of the chemical or air monitoring will be needed in order for them to continue using the chemical.
 - b. A hazardous was pick-up was conducted in December. Battery recycling is an on-going process
 - c. EHS is now receiving monthly reports from HR regarding the participation in the on-line safety trainings. Participation has improved.
4. Laura Drabczyk reported the following:
 - a. Phase 2 of 5 for building evaluations is complete with and \$80,000,000 increase in property values.
 - b. Auggie Mickevicius has been instrumental in addressing issues from the Traveler's insurance visit.
 - c. Emergency devices (EAS, AED, Code Blue and Blue light phones) checks are being conducted and documented by Laura Drabczyk and Kathryn Wilhoff.
5. Tanya Johnson noted the following:
 - a. The Mark Jefferson lighting retrofit project is nearly complete.
 - b. The Science Complex has a plan in place for Methylene Chloride use.

6. Chris Grant reported the following:
 - a. Pothole repairs have been made on Westview, Oakwood and near the Physical Plant.
 - b. ADA ramp repairs have been made by the Towers and the crosswalk at Oakwood and Structure Drive.
 - c. A new shuttle service provided by National Trails will begin in 2025.
 - i. Bus signage is being installed and will include a QR code with the schedule.
 - ii. Stops will include Westview, Walton, Sill Hall, Bowen/Warner, Halle/Mark Jefferson and Student Center Drive.
 - d. Joe Torres requested the shuttle service information be sent to him so it can be posted in dispatch. Chris will provide.
7. Jeff Norris reported the swim meets went well.
8. Joe Torres reminded the committee of the following:
 - a. Civilian Active Shooter classes are being held in McKenny.
 - b. ALICE trainings are available both as open sessions or as hosted courses.
 - c. Emergency response by DPS is very quick so do not hesitate to contact DPS for assistance.
 - d. DPS is working with housing staff on cameras and new information for Fall 2025 regarding emergency exits to keep people safe.
9. Kathryn noted the following:
 - a. The last Narcan training only had one participant. EHS will continue to work to find the best method to offer this training.
 - b. Kevin Lawson and Beth Stoner were thanked for their service to the University Health and Safety Committee and wished well in their future endeavors and retirement for Beth.
 - c. Cathy Steiner will be replacing Kevin on the committee. Michelle Cesen replaced Beth last year.

**The next Health and Safety Committee Meeting is Friday
January 17, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.**