

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

August 20, 2020

Attendees:

Mia Bass – Human Resources
Susan Campbell - GSR/UAW-1976
Tanya Johnson – Science Complex
Judith Kullberg – AAUP
Kevin Lawson – Student Center
James McEvers – EHS
Stacie McMullen – Athletics
Auggie Mickevicius- EHS

Jeffery Norris – Rec/IM
Brian Pappas – Academic HR
Tracey Piercecchi – Workers' Comp
Dan Salk – Risk Management
John Sidelinker – FM
Beth Stoner – PPAT - CORR
Kathryn Wilhoff - EHS

Guest: Kristen Klochko – Engage EMU

Absent:

Jennifer Jones Barnes, Julie Berger, Audrey Farruggia, Chris Grant, Don Gregory, Bob Heighes, Pat McGill, Lisa Mitchell, Shana Thompson, Joseph Torres and Jeanette Zalba

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. Kristen Klochko from Engage EMU talked about the screening process for fall. Engage EMU is coordinating the student staff who will be checking for pass screenings on cell phones and/or paper screenings. They will also be handing out face coverings for those needing them and providing general information as needed.
 - b. Kevin Lawson noted for traffic flow, stairwells need to be at least 8 feet wide to be two-way.
3. Tanya Johnson reported the Summer B courses went very well and the various physical distancing and traffic pattern signage is being installed in the Science Complex.
4. John Sidelinker reported some of the elevators on campus are now tied to the building fire alarm system. Previously, elevators were required to have a separate smoke detection system. With recent regulatory changes, the elevators can now be tied to the building smoke detection systems.
5. Jeff Norris reported the Rec/IM renovation project is moving forward. He also reported they are looking into a different pool chemical supplier.

6. Judith Kulberg noted the following:
 - a. The AAUP is in negotiations with the Administration regarding health and safety concerns.
 - b. One example concern was the mask provided from DPS; it did not fit well and who is addressing quality control. Kathryn Wilhoff and Jim McEvers noted various face coverings and sizes are available – the handmade ones, surgical face coverings and commercially bought face coverings with the E logo on them. Kristen Klochko noted the handmade masks being provided were made under the direction and guidance from St. Joe's.
 - c. What is the contract tracing system? Kathryn noted Ellen Gold is overseeing the contract tracing system in conjunction with the County.
 - d. There were also questions about the screening app and check-in stations. What happens to persons who do not answer the questions correctly and is there any follow-up for those who are denied access? Kristen noted that Engage EMU is hiring more students for the check in stations. They have four supervisors and other experienced students at the ambassador level. The new screening is a web-based format but paper questionnaires will be available if needed. The web-based screening provides an email indicating either a clearance for campus access or a denial of campus access. Those denied are referred to Telehealth. In a follow-up email, Kristen noted: "It depends on the reason the person is "red-flagged." There are instructions for them to call Telehealth if they have questions. The system is set up so that certain "bad" answers on Monday mean they cannot come to campus on Tuesday regardless of how they answer."
7. James McEvers commented on the significant activity with researchers and graduate students restarting in the labs and laying out of physical distancing requirements. He reminded the committee that everyone must wear face coverings, keep their distance and make sure their areas are cleaned and disinfected. Summer B went very well and everyone was cooperative. It gives him hope for the fall semester. Kathryn also reminded the committee to WASH YOUR HANDS!!!!
8. Stacie McMullen noted the return of the athletes has gone well. Face coverings are being used, workouts are with smaller groups and the fall sports schedule has been moved to the spring.
9. Beth Stoner reported the virtual non-credit classes are going well but they are hoping to have on-campus classes safely sometime soon.
10. Kristen Klochko added to the above reported information that some of the student ambassadors will also be in the corridors reminding people about face coverings and keeping their distance.
11. Kevin Lawson reported the Student Center would be opening August 24 if approved. He also noted Amazon would be closing next week.

12. Beth asked if events were going to be held at the Student Center. Kevin responded that it depends on the Governor. All fall events have been cancelled.
13. Kathryn reported for Jeanette Zalba that prior to moving in students must get a COVID test. Rigid schedule for move-in, limited number of people and ages. Once moved in, guests will be limited to EMU students, faculty and staff. The ground floor of Phelps and the ground and first floor of Buell will be reserved for quarantine if necessary.
14. Kathryn noted Washtenaw County issued a Public Health order regarding social gatherings limiting outdoor events to 25 or less and indoor events to 10 or less people.

The next Health and Safety Committee Meeting is September 17 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.