

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND SAFETY  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
May 21, 2021**

**Attendees:**

Cathy Gable – GSR/UAW 1976  
Becky Janes – Residence Life  
Tanya Johnson – Science Complex  
Kevin Lawson – Student Center  
James McEvers – EHS  
Pat McGill – Police Officer’s Union  
Stacie McMullen - Athletics

Lisa Mitchell – FT Lecturer’s  
Jeffrey Norris – Rec/IM  
Brian Pappas – Academic HR  
Dan Salk – Risk Management  
Beth Stoner – PPAT OSHA Training  
Kathryn Wilhoff - EHS

**Alternate:** Jake Altman - AAUP

**Absent:**

Timothy Allen, Jennifer Jones Barnes, Mia Bass, Nina Contis, Audrey Farrugia, Chris Grant, Don Gregory, Bob Heighes, Kristen Klochko, Judith Kullberg, Auggie Mickevicius, John Sidelinker, Shana Thompson, Joseph Torres, Crystal Walrath and Jeanette Zalba

1. This meeting was conducted via Zoom.
2. The activity report for April/May was sent to the committee members prior to the meeting. The following items were discussed:
  - a. Jeff asked about the results of the swim meet site visit, item 8k. Kathryn reported all looked good and passed concerns have been addressed.
  - b. Jeff also asked about the AED connection to DPS, item 8l. Kathryn reported the connection is working and that all the AED connections were tested and working. If the power goes down and the unit does not reconnect when the power returns, please notify DPS.
  - c. Pat McGill asked about the chemical clean-out of 600 W. Forest, item 8s. Kathryn reported the occupants did a great job on cleaning out the house. EHS reviews buildings being taken out of service for hazardous materials (chemicals, bulbs, sharps, etc.).
  - d. Lisa Mitchell asked about the COVID 19 issues EHS responded to, item 7e. Kathryn reported the issues were minor – assisting an individual who improperly completed the COVID screening and another who had an off-campus exposure.
3. Pat McGill reported DPS is currently training at the Rec/IM and Snow. Looking ahead, the officers are planning for possible graduation events and fall football.

Kathryn noted for many of the new officers, this will be their first time working a large event and we have fewer seasoned officers to help train them.

4. James McEvers noted he continues to provide return to research training and reviewing new equipment.
5. Cathy Gable had nothing to report.
6. Dan Salk thanked Auggie Mickevicius for stepping in for him at the recent insurance audit. Kathryn reported Auggie has already submitted a number of work orders to get a head start on the issues from the audit.
7. Lisa Mitchell wondered about the fall COVID-19 protocols. Kathryn noted there is no new information in this rapidly changing situation. Whatever guidelines EMU has in place for the fall, EHS will help the campus community implement and follow them.
8. Jeffrey Norris shared the Rec/IM is looking into new CPR mannequins to improve their training. He also noted the Rec/IM is investigating switching to all bulk chemicals for the pools. Kathryn reminded him there are different guidelines and limits for storing and reporting of bulk chemicals if they move forward with this initiative.
9. Beth Stoner reminded the committee of the OSHA training happening both on-line and in Boone Hall. The website for upcoming classes is:  
  
<https://ppat.emich.edu/may/june-2021-safety-training-classes-from-eastern-michigan-university>
10. Brian Pappas had nothing to report.
11. Jake Altman had nothing to report.
12. Kevin Lawson noted the Student Center is looking towards re-opening of campus events and that there have been many requests for events to be held in the future. They have not started scheduling events yet but hope to soon. Kevin also asked about the removal of the compressed gas cylinders from the Starbucks storage room. Kathryn reported the cylinder vendor will be removing them next Wednesday.
13. Rebecca Janes reported on various repairs occurring during the summer. She was pleased to hear how well the 600 W. Forest move went. She was very happy to report that many students are fully signed up for the residence halls in the fall!!!
14. Tanya Johnson reported the Science Complex, Briggs and the Greenhouse will have a complete water shutdown on Friday May 28 to repair a broken shut off valve in the irrigation system.

15. Stacie McMullen reported the Warner/Bowen construction seems to be going well and asked about the additional cleaning that will be needed due to the construction dust. Kathryn stated that the construction cleanup need is known but will likely not happen until the end of the project.

Stacie also noted she is not aware of any graduations scheduled at the University in the coming weeks.

16. Kathryn advised the Michigan Attorney General is alerting the public about fraud schemes related to COVID-19. Scammers are using telemarketing calls, claiming to be from the state or local health department or vaccination clinics, asking for personal information. Stay vigilant and avoid being scammed!!! The Advisory is attached.

She also advised everyone to read and stay up to date on the University President's weekly announcements for new changes, guidelines and rules for COVID-19 protocols on campus.

**The next Health and Safety Committee Meeting is Friday  
June 18 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.**