

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND SAFETY  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
September 17, 2021**

**Attendees:**

Cathy Gable – ORDA & UAW 1976  
Chris Grant – Physical Plant  
Jillian Graves – AAUP  
Becky Janes – Residential Life  
Tanya Johnson – Science Complex  
Kevin Lawson – Student Center  
Pat McGill – Police Officers  
Stacie McMullen – Athletics

Auggie Mickevicius – EHS  
Lisa Mitchell – FT Lecturer's  
Jeffrey Norris – Rec/IM  
Beth Stoner – PPAT OSHA Training  
Shana Thompson -DPS  
Crystal Walrath - UACDC  
Kathryn Wilhoff - EHS

**Absent:**

Timothy Allen, Jake Altman, Jennifer Jones Barnes, Mia Bass, Nina Contis, Audrey Farrugia, Don Gregory, Bob Heighes, Candice Hunter, Kristen Klochko, James McEvers, Brian Pappas, John Sidelinker, Joseph Torres and Jeanette Zalba

1. This meeting was conducted via Zoom.
2. The activity report for August/September was sent to the committee members prior to the meeting. The following items were discussed:
  - a. Jeff Norris asked about item 9g, the Rec/IM operational recovery discussion. Auggie Mickevicius noted this was a conversation about when the Jones pool would be operational.
  - b. Pat McGill inquired about item 11kkk, the safety hazard investigation at the Village. Kathryn reported an autistic student on campus is fascinated by air handlers. He was turning the one outside the Village Commons on and off at the disconnect switch and was starting to stick his hand into the discharge vent. This vent was readily accessible to the spinning fan. A guard was installed to prevent anyone from placing their hand into the vent and a lock was placed on the switch. Officer McGill noted some other issues with this student. Kathryn reported the information to the Dean of Students after the meeting.
  - c. Lisa Mitchell asked about item 10e the Bridge COVID safety training update. Kathryn reported the updated training should be out next week and the fire safety training shortly thereafter.
3. Auggie Mickevicius reported he has observed good mask compliance on campus, even outdoors.

4. Pat McGill also reported good mask compliance in the residence halls and dining complexes. Pat also reminded the committee, "If you see any incidents/issues that are suspicious, report them to DPS immediately."
5. Kathryn Wilhoff asked about the number of drivers not obeying the rules of the road – running stop signs, red lights, reckless driving, etc. being observed on campus and all-around town. Shana Thompson noted it is happening everywhere – Wayne and Washtenaw Counties. Shana again reminded the committee to report to DPS any areas on campus where they're seeing these issues.
6. Crystal Walrath reported the decorative grass at the McKenny Staff lot exiting to McKenny drive is too long and blocks the view. Chris Grant will address the concern.
7. Cathleen Gable had reported a sidewalk concern just before the meeting on Cross Street. Chris Grant will investigate the concern.
8. Chris Grant reported the sidewalk by Warner is being repaired and they are trimming trees to improve camera coverage.
9. Jillian Graves is the new AAUP representative and had nothing to report. Kathryn wanted the AAUP to be aware that some of the classrooms that were set up for 3 ft. distancing have been changed to circles and that these rooms then need to be reset each evening to the 3 ft. distancing if the class does not return the room to the original configuration.
10. Lisa Mitchell noted that she teaches in several buildings and she has received several notifications regarding Roosevelt regarding COVID compliance but has not received any information for Pray Harrold. Kathryn noted different colleges are doing different messaging. Kathryn followed up with CAS after the meeting.
11. Jeff Norris reported the alarm system in the Warner locker room has been repaired. Jeff also noted improved mask compliance at the Rec/IM.
12. Shana Thompson reported a recent accident outside of Mark Jefferson where a student fell from an apparent seizure.
13. Becky Janes reported at Wise floors 3,4 and 5 the audible alarms are not working. Kathryn followed up on this issue after the meeting. The repair parts are on order and a fire watch was put in place. Becky also reported COVID positives are holding steady in the residence halls.
14. Kevin Lawson reported they are working on the repairs to the fire pit at the Student Center. He also noted he is the contact for vending machines on campus.

15. Beth Stoner noted Professional Programs and Training classes are available to EMU faculty and staff at a discounted rate. Classes can be found at [Professional Programs & Training - PPAT \(emich.edu\)](#).
16. Tanya Johnson had nothing to report
17. Stacie McMullen had nothing to report
18. Kathryn closed the meeting by encouraging the committee to remind faculty and staff to be trained on CPR and first aid. The training schedule is as follows:

**CPR, AED & First Aid via Zoom**

October 21 from 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

November 8 from 9 a.m. - noon

December 8 from 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**CPR Skills Testing**

November 30 - 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 1:45 p.m.

To register for the Zoom portion of the training send an email to Kathryn Wilhoff at [kwilhoff@emich.edu](mailto:kwilhoff@emich.edu) including the following:

1. The date of the training you want to attend.
2. Your name
3. Your EMU ID number
4. The department you work in.
5. If you are registering for the skills testing, please include the date and time you are registering for.

**The next Health and Safety Committee Meeting is Friday  
October 15 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.**