

Executive Safety Committee (ESC) MINUTES

Tuesday September 22, 2021 | 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | ZOOM

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION LISTED AT END

Note: If you no longer wish to be on the list, please get in touch with Risk Management Services, rms@csus.edu, (916) 278-6119

CALL TO ORDER: 11:04 a.m. by Gary Rosenblum, Chair **MINUTES APPROVAL:** Approved

OPEN FORUM

Gary R. introduced Chief Chet Madison, who started this semester. Chief Chet mentioned that he looks forward to being part of the ESC Meetings.

Michael K. mentioned that he noticed that the trips and hazards brought up to Steve L. have been fixed. Michael K. said that he used a wheel device and appreciated that EHS addressed the issue. Gary R. mentioned that if there are any other issues to continue reaching out to Risk Management or Facilities Management.

Current Covid-19 Safety Protocols

Gary R. shared that we are still working in a COVID-19 safety environment. In June, the campus was opened, and no masks were needed, then things changed, and face coverings were required indoors. Students, faculty, staff, and people were coming into campus, and buildings were also required to wear face coverings. Face coverings, however, are not needed outdoors. Gary R. added that the positive COVID-19 cases are low, ranging from 3-5 a week, and on-campus transmission is not common because of the mandate for masks and vaccination. Employees who receive a positive COVID-19 test result are required to report it to Worker's Compensation Manager Adell Seibles, using a form found on the Risk management website. The form can be found [here](#). The speed of reporting is crucial as it helps with risk assessment for the campus. Student Health and Counseling Services manage the reporting and risk assessment for student positive case reports. Employees and students who are declared exemptions from the vaccine are required to test twice a week. The campus testing center is located on the ground floor of Parking Structure III (PSIII). Those who asked for exemptions will receive email notifications scheduling their tests. Gary R. then asked the group for any questions or comments, and there were none.

Chemical Hygiene Plan

Steve L. reported on the Annual Review of the Chemical Hygiene Plan, which campus policy requires. Steve said that due to COVID-19 campus de-population, there was not a lot of activity on chemical handling. The annual review identified improvements, such as developing a standard operating procedure for reviewing laboratory activities in the Natural Science and Math (NSM) Department. Currently, EHS is working closely with NSM faculty and Safety Manager Brittany Anderson-Steele to work on activity procedures. Steve L. added that at the moment, EHS is working on recruiting for an Industrial Hygienist who serves as the University Chemical Hygiene Officer and coordinates these reviews with NSM. Steve L. mentioned that last year the Chancellor Office Audit of EHS initiated a change to the university process for chemical purchases. The program required a review and approval by EHS and Procurement Services. After operating the process for several months, he added that some improvements had been identified, mostly related to purchasing low-

hazard chemicals. EHS was received many requests for reviewing low-hazard chemicals. Currently, EH&S is working on updating the form only to include high hazard chemical purchase approvals. In addition to the Annual Review of the Chemical Hygiene Plan, EHS also performs an annual review of any processes used for minimizing hazardous waste. Due to the campus being closed, COVID-19 hazardous waste generation was minimized substantially but not eliminated. He added that last year's waste tonnage was 13.17, and this year it was 2.4 tons of hazardous waste. Gary R. mentioned that this year's Annual Review is posted on the ESC website.

During the question and discussion period for this topic, Gary R. received a question about chemical safety data sheets. Steve L. mentioned that those are online and are required by law to be provided to those working with specific chemicals. These data sheets can be electronic or hard copies. These forms need to be available at the workplace and visible to those who work with chemicals. Gary R. mentioned that the university software system for chemical hygiene program (RSS) program has a module for the safety data sheets. NSM uses the RSS inspection tool, but one can reach out to Steve L. for additional questions on the safety data sheet. Roy N. asked if he could get extra support as he and his students are in OHS. Steve L. mentioned he could reach out and help Roy N. with this.

Drinking Fountain Updates: EHS

Gary mentioned that four years ago, a student group found some drinking fountains on campus to have high levels of lead contamination. The issue was solved with changes to plumbing fixtures, adding filters, and universal testing of all water fountains on campus. This includes about 900 fountains, including bottle fillers. In an ongoing program, all water fountains are regularly tested. The campus has its own "action level" of 5 ppb lead compared to the EPA "action level" of 15 ppb. The testing program shows that 90% of the campus fountains are zero/undetectable to 1 part per billion. In addition, the university offers the data for each fountain using a program where every fountain has a unique label with a QR code that connects to the university database and instantly shows the test result for that specific fountain. Overall, this makes the CSUS drinking water program with universal testing publicly transparent. This instant information is one of the most comprehensive of any college campus in the country. This program was discussed at this ESC meeting because most campus buildings were shut down during the pandemic de-population for over a year. Hence, the drinking water lines needed to be flushed and re-tested in every building before reopening the campus this fall. Steve L. reported that this was a significant effort with significant cost, but it was accomplished in time for the reopening. All this new water fountain testing data is available online at the Risk Management website, and each fountain has all new QR code labels.

There were no further questions or comments, or reports.

Adjourned: 11:30am

Reconvene in October

IN ATTENDANCE

Adell Seibles, Workers' Compensation

Gary Rosenblum, AVP Risk Management, Chair

Todd Dangott, Risk Management

Michael Keenan, College of Engineering and Computer Science, USA*

Scott Christian, Police Department

Patrick Murphy, Human Resources

Roy Dixon, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Don Nahhas, Risk Management
Meysee Vang, Risk Management
Susan Colley-Monk, Risk Management
Nayeli P. Gonzalez, Risk Management
Nancy Griggs, College of Continuing Education
Stephen Leland, Environmental Health and Safety
Bill Macriss, Student Affairs
Chet Madison, Sacramento State Police Department
Tony Lucas, University Transportation
Janne Hardman, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Jennifer O'Neal-Watts, Copy Right Specialist, CSUEU*
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Tim Bair, Facilities Management
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