January Safety Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 25, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Mary Fecko, David Hanson, Tim Goldinger, Maureen Keefer, Tim Kirsch, Jamey Koss, Leo Laffey, Laura Todd Not Available: Paul Badger, Daijah Darden, Ashley Deahl, Michael Schilinski

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Reviewed December incidents • Employee Incidents • Employee tripped in Patrick Henry Library. • Student Incidents • None Reviewed December Fire Alarm Incidents • December • Total Calls (7) • Cooking (6) • Hair Iron (1)	 Employee did not fill out Incident Form. Safety Service to get completed Incident Form and follow up with employee. N/A Cooking is leading cause. Six (6) of the incidents occurred in Res Halls. Continue to monitor – track/trend and look for other opportunities for improvement.
Monthly Safety Tip	Safety Tip(s) suggestions- • Safe Driving in Wintry Conditions • Suggestion to change introduction.	 Introduction was updated as per recommendation. Safety Services will have Branding Department approve Safety Tip. Colonial Central to distribute Safety Tip for February once approved.
Safety Policy Review	 Confined Space Entry Removed Braddock Hall from list (inventory) of RMU buildings. 	 Safety Services to make revisions and update on safety web page. Confined Space training to take place in February.

Expanded Topic	Mary shared with the group about the University's decision to expand relationship with Vector Training Solutions. • Will expand program to make training available for employees.	•	Ongoing
	Tim shared with the group about a site visit which took place on January 23, 2024 by our insurance carrier Travelers and Henderson Brothers.	•	Review and share official report once received
	Visit went well and no deficiencies were found during the walk. Comment was made about the Laundry Room door in Yorktown being propped open.	•	Distribute notice to Res Life and Facilities that Laundry Room doors are to be kept closed.
	Tim and Dave mentioned an incident at Island involving the ammonia room and need for evacuation.	•	A review and debrief with Emergency Management Committee to be completed.
Other Items	Committee had new member Tim Goldinger attend first meeting. Maura Clark from Henderson Brothers sat in the meeting	•	Tim G. to complete PA Safety Committee Training None
Old Business			
Reviewed and Approved Minutes		•	Minutes for December Approved.

February Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 22, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Daijah Darden, Ashley Deahl, Maureen Keefer, Tim Kirsch, Jamey Koss, Leo Laffey, Laura Todd, Michael Schilinski Not Available: Paul Badger. Mary Fecko, David Hanson, Tim Goldinger

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Reviewed January incidents: • Employee Incidents • None	• N/A
	 Student Incidents Student fell in Stair Tower A at Hale Center. Student said "the stairs were wet which caused them to slip". Student fell in Stair Tower A at Hale Center. The student said "it was raining outside and wet shoes caused the incident". 	 Student injured their finger and sought first aid at the My Heath @ RMU Clinic. Student injured back, RMU Police and Valley EMS were notified and responded. Student was evaluated by Valley EMS and refused service.
	 Sled Riding Incident Visitors (Parents w/child) sled riding on campus by Patrick Henry Center. Child hit tree. No injury reported. 	 Caution signs put up to notify occupants that the stairs may be wet. It was determined to replace the treads in the stairwell. ES to monitor stairwell until new treads are installed. No further action.

	Reviewed Total Incidents for 2023 Reported Incidents (15) Osha Recordables (4) Lost Day (0)	 Reported Incidents (15) below five year average (18). Osha recordables (4)below five year average (5). Zero lost work days indicates no major incidents for the year. Slips Trips and Falls identified as leading cause of incidents. Plan to educate employees and students on slips trips and falls through training and handouts for 2024.
	Osha report was sent to Bureau of Labor and Statistics.	No further action.
	Reviewed January Fire Alarm Incidents • January • Total Calls (15) • Cooking (10) • Air Freshener (1) • Unknown (4)	Continue to monitor – track/trend and look for other opportunities for improvement.
Monthly Safety Tip	 Safety Tip(s) suggestions- Protecting Your Eyes at Work and at Home Minor suggestions were made. 	Safety Services will have Branding Department approve Safety Tip. Colonial Central to distribute Safety Tip for March once approved.
Safety Policy Review	 Incident Investigation and Reporting Minor updates recommended including reference to Rec. Center. Policy sent to Ben B. for review. 	Safety Services to make revisions and update on safety web page.

Expanded Topic	Tim K. updated the group on current Covid numbers. • Maureen K. reported/updated on numbers as follows • Employee (0) • Student Cases (4)	 No recommendations for changes in policy or procedures at this time Ongoing
Other Items	Reviewed handout from Henderson Brothers on Identifying Osha Recordable Incidents	• N/A
Old Business		
Reviewed and Approved Minutes		Minutes for January Approved.

March Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 28, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Paul Badger, Maura Clark, Daijah Darden, Ashley Deahl, Mary Fecko, David Hanson, Tim Goldinger Maureen Keefer, Jamey Koss, Leo Laffey, Laura Todd, Michael Schilinski

Not Available: Tim Kirsch,

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Employee Incidents Es employee aggravated their right knee when they attempted to walk up steps in Washington. Employee stated that it was from prior issue. Es Employee was cleaning a room in Yorktown and strained back muscle when attempted to move a mattress.	Employee refused medical treatment. No further action. Employee went to Sewickley ER and sought treatment the next day for headaches and dizziness. Employee was evaluated but no medical treatment was provided. Safety Services to follow up with ES supervisors and recommend using buddy system when moving awkward and heavy items.
	 Student Incidents None Reviewed February Fire Alarm Incidents February Calls Total Calls (10) Cooking (7) Hair Dryer (1) Power Outage (1) Unknown (1) 	N/AOngoing

	 Washington Hall Fire Incident Fire reported on top of Washington Hall G tower roof A student called public safety after seeing flames on the roof. Outside contractor was working on the roof with torches and a fire developed hours after they left. 	 Investigation taking place and the Emergency Management team to evaluate the incident. Contractor revised installation procedures to remove hot work. Ongoing
Monthly Safety Tip	 Safety Tip(s) suggestions- Incident Investigation and Reporting Minor suggestions were made. 	Safety Services will have Branding Department approve Safety Tip. Colonial Central to distribute Safety Tip for April once approved.
Safety Policy Review	 Fall Protection and Prevention Mike talked about fall prevention during the use of ladders. Recommended update to include wording about fall protection on roofs. 	 Safety Services to utilize the Vector Training Modules on ladder safety and fall protection training for Maintenance Dept. Review policy by Facilities Dept. Management Team. Safety Services will revise policy and update on safety web page.
Expanded Topic	Dave talked about propane Zambonis and precautions they are taking • Safety goggles and gloves • Brass tools to avoid sparks • First Aid Kits due to changing of blades Tim G. identified an article about law suit in place against Philadelphia Flyers Organization about possible cancer causing agents from working around Zamboni.	Safety Services and ISC to review article and have discussion.
	Chemical Hood Exhausts on Rooftops • Discussion about the suggestion for identifying the chemical hood exhausts on the roofs.	Talk with Chemistry Department and validate if there is a need to identify hood exhausts on the roof.

	Talked about jobs on campus when only one worker to complete that task. If there is one, someone should be notified before work starts and give them the location, the time framework is being done, and a phone number to check in	Public Safety to review panic button locations on campus. Safety Services to review with Facilities (Management Team) concerns/considerations for off shift tasks.
Other Items	Solar Eclipse • Res Life having a viewing party for the solar eclipse and providing eyewear for the students.	• N/A
Old Business		
Reviewed and Approved Minutes		Minutes for February Approved.

April Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 25, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Maura Clark, Ashley Deahl, Tim Goldinger, Maureen Keefer, Jamey Koss, Leo Laffey, Laura Todd, Michael Schilinski Not Available: Paul Badger, Daijah Darden, Mary Fecko, David Hanson, Tim Kirsch

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Employee Incidents Two ES employees were cleaning in Hancock and experienced suspicious odors coming from 1st floor.	Employee experienced headache but no medical attention was sought. Res Life to review incident, identify cause of suspicious odors and correct.
	Student IncidentsNone	• N/A
	While participating in hockey practice at the outdoor rink at the Island, a participant skated into the boards and the section of glass with a temporary repair (plexiglass) fell down and struck the participants wrist.	ISC supervisors to evaluate process and ensure proper glass repair procedures are understood and completed by operations personnel.
	Reviewed March Fire Alarm Incidents • March Calls • Total Calls (8) • Cooking (3) • Shower Steam(1) • Hair Dryer (1) • Fire (1) • Unknown (2)	• Ongoing
	• Reviewed March 2023 incidents (15) and found a 46% reduction rate.	

Monthly Safety Tip	 Safety Tip(s) suggestions- Jamey presented the draft Safety Tip Timing coincides with Electrical/Safety awareness month and RMU's current policy review No comments or edits were made. 	Safety Services will have Branding Department approve Safety Tip. Colonial Central to distribute Safety Tip for May once approved.
Safety Policy Review	 The Control of Hazardous Energy Policy was distributed and reviewed by committee members. No comments or edits were made 	 Safety Services to utilize the Vector Training Modules on Lockout Tagout. Review policy by Facilities Dept. Management Team. Safety Services to update the review date on policy and update on safety web page.
Expanded Topic	 Ashley shared info on the effects the sun can have on our health. Gave tips on how to protect ourselves from these health hazards. Provided safety tip on Sun Protection to be distributed across campus. 	Utilize this info/topic for June safety tip.
	 2. Updated Safety Committee on findings from the article about law suit in place against Philadelphia Flyers Organization about possible cancer causing agents from working around Zamboni that Tim G. identified at last month's safety committee meeting. Safety Services and ISC Management reviewed article on lawsuit and found a major differnec being the fuel source. Flyers using gasoline vs RMU using propane and electric. Allegheny County Health Department sends out an agent annually to conduct an air quality inspection/test in the ice arenas to check emissions 	• None

Other Items	from our Zamboni and other gas powered equipment. We receive a permit that certifies our compliance from County 3. Updated Safety Committee on discussion with Chemistry Department to validate if there is a need to identify hood exhausts vents on the roof. • Paul advised that very small quantities of chemicals are used in the lab hoods and for short durations. Subsequently, very minimal/trace concentrations of vapors would be vented in the diluted + exhausted air. Tim G. asked about an incident that took place by a university athlete and how it doesn't address reporting. • Athletics conducts incident reviews for the university athletes.	• None • None
Old Business		
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May Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 23, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Paul Badger, Ashley Deahl,, Mary Fecko, Tim Goldinger, David Hanson, Jamey Koss, Laura Todd Not Available: Daijah Darden, Maureen Keefer, Tim Kirsch, Leo Laffey, Michael Schilinski

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Reviewed April incidents: • Employee Incidents • None	• N/A
	 Student Incidents Student injured ankle while playing recreational basketball at Rec Center. Res Life followed up with student on 04/24 	Student meet with orthopedic doctor and was given an orthopedic boot to wear on ankle. Student to contact Res Life if any additional accommodations are needed.
	Reviewed April Fire Alarm Incidents • April Calls • Total Calls (11) • Cooking (4) • Unknown (6) • Contractor (1) • An ongoing issue in Hancock, due to a faulty device, produced five of the six unknown calls.	Maintenance resolved the issue in Hancock by replacing faulty device.
Monthly Safety Tip	 Safety Tip(s) suggestions- Ashley provided a safety tip on Sun Protection. The committee members agreed this was a good topic and had no comments or edits. 	Safety Services will have Branding Department approve Safety Tip. Colonial Central to distribute Safety Tip for June once approved.
Safety Policy Review	 Hearing Conservation Policy was distributed and reviewed by committee members Paul suggested a review of some activities in the Engineering Department and the 	Review policy by Facilities Dept. Management Team.

	possibility of work studies experiencing noise exposure.	•	Safety Services to follow up with Engineering Dept. on possible noise exposures. Safety Services to survey areas of possible noise exposures and conduct noise level surveys. Safety Services to update the review date on policy and update on safety web page.
Expanded Topic	Jamey shared information about asbestos removal project in G tower of Washington Hall. Abatement being completed by licensed contractor.	•	None
Old Business			
Reviewed and Approved Minutes		•	Minutes for April Approved.

June Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, June 27, 2024

Last Meetings Attendees: Paul Badger, Ashley Deahl,, Mary Fecko, Tim Goldinger, David Hanson, Jamey Koss, Laura Todd
Not Available: Daijah Darden, Maureen Keefer, Tim Kirsch, Leo Laffey, Michael Schilinski

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions/Outcomes
New Business		
Incident Review	Employee Incidents Environmental Services employee was moving furniture to clean a room in Yorktown and felt a pain in their wrist. They went back to work hanging a shower curtain and noticed wrist was swollen.	Contacted supervisor and went to UPMC MyHealth@SchoolClinic where they put ice on it. Employee did not require follow up with any further medical services. Safety Services to follow up with Environmental Services management to ensure safe lifting ergonomics are followed. (i.e., proper lifting techniques, two person lifts, use of moving equipment.)
	Student IncidentsNone	• N/A
	Reviewed April Fire Alarm Incidents • May Calls • Total Calls (20) • Cooking (12) • False Alarms (2) • Air Freshener (2) • Shower Steam (1) • Faulty Smoke Head (1) • Kitchen Hood (1) • IT Cleaning Rafters in Event Center (1) • Salem is outlier with 11 of the 20 calls. Comment made on possibility of dirty ovens causing some of the cooking alarms. Students responsibility to clean	Ovens are inspected by Environmental Services during summer cleaning and cleaned as appropriate.

• The committee members agreed this was a good topic and had no comments or edits. Safety Policy Review Fire Safety Procedures • Policy was distributed and reviewed by committee members • Paul's question "who is responsible for making sure their entire department is trained and if an employee does not do it are the department heads held responsible for that." Expanded Topic Jamey shared with the committee information about inspections that were taking place in June and July • A site visit of the ISC took place between EPA, AECOM and RMU due to a new member of EPA taking over site. The visit went well.		oven. Res-life inspects rooms for cleanliness but not condition of ovens.	
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 A site visit of the ISC took place between EPA, AECOM and RMU due to a new member of EPA taking over site. The visit went well. Multiple contractors are working across campus throughout the summer. Safety Services monitoring sites to ensure safe conditions exist. Asbestos abatement took place in Washington None No major issues. Continue to monitor completion. None 	Safety Policy Review	 Policy was distributed and reviewed by committee members Paul's question "who is responsible for making sure their entire department is trained and if an employee does not do it are the department 	conveyed at next Oversite Committee meeting.
	Expanded Topic	 inspections that were taking place in June and July A site visit of the ISC took place between EPA, AECOM and RMU due to a new member of EPA taking over site. The visit went well. Multiple contractors are working across campus throughout the summer. Safety Services monitoring sites to ensure safe conditions exist. Asbestos abatement took place in Washington 	No major issues. Continue to monitor until completion.

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