Southern Oregon University

Occupational Safety Advisory Committee (OSAC)

Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: 4/22/24 Chaired by: Michele Barlow

Members in Attendance:

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| Russell Deen | Bethany Lindbloom | Kay Swader |
| Patricia Syquia | Sue Phillips |  |
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Old Business: (Last meeting 1/22/24)

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| * Student Health Center reported that the new Covid 19 vaccine has been in demand by students.
* During the Ice storm in Northern Oregon a shipment had to be disposed of due to delay and not
* being stored properly.
* Green Springs B fire drill found the tower fire alarm was not operational. The Utilities crew
* were able to cannibalize the parts from the Central Hall remodel and after testing the system is
* now online 3 days later.
* Roof leaks were experienced in the Science building and SOU Maintenance is investigating.
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New Business:

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| April is:* Distracted Driver Awareness Month – every day at least 8 people are killed in an accident caused by distracted driving
* National Work Zone Awareness week – April 15-19 – With road construction going on near campus take extra precautions
* Workplace Violence Awareness month – pay attention to warning signs and remember the process for filing Cares Reports and reporting anything suspicious
* Fringe Festival taking place this week.
* Central is still in progress. Main floor done, working on basement now
* Mysterious odor reported in science. Contributed to construction that was going on, getting drawn up through utility tunnel. Still ongoing. Moved some classes around. One faculty reported migraine from odor. Will monitor for future construction.
* Asbestos abatement event going on in Hawthorne in Cascade. Invitation to Bid to remediate, also to propose work to be done for other wings. NPS/ROTC wings are still occupied. Target date of October to start demolition on Cascade.
* Helicopter logging taking place near campus as part of a tree removal project.
* AT&T Cell tower is now installed at football field. Verizon tower permits not yet active at Science. Plan to be reactivated in the future.
* Plunket center someone tripped on a ramp causing a need for bio hazard clean up.
* Mold concerns in McLoughlin. Drywall cut out and cleaned. Room unoccupied. No reports until after drywall was removed following water leak in laundry room. Fixed leaking water pipes.

As weather starts warming up, remember to wear sunscreen when going outside and to stay hydrated. Don’t leave children or animals in vehicles. |

Incident Reports: Employees

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| * 2/8/24 – Employee cut knee while using a hedge trimmer. Claim filed
* 2/6/24 – Employee hit in the head when a folding couch hit his head. Claim filed
* 3/13/24 – Student employee injured foot – Claim filed
* 4/5/24 – Employee received a laceration to their ear when an HVAC unit door hit him. Treatment sought, claim filed
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Incident Reports: Students

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