# U-WIDE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

## 2/9/2022 Meeting Minutes | 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. |

Elected Member*		Appointed Member*		Faculty Senate Member*
Ryan Hawkinson (1)	☒	Kurt Oglesby (3)		TBD
Carmen Parisi, Chair (1)	⊠	Liz Kindred, Vice Chair (5)		
Nigel Horton (2)		Kris Harrell (7)		Labor Union Member*
Norm Kwasinski (2)	⊠	David Zuckerman (10)		
Tony Colinares (3)			×	Paula Lukaszek, WFSE 1488
Christine Aker (4)			×	Ann Aumann, SEIU 925
Mary Ann Valentine (4)			×	Antonio Vasquez, UAW 4121
Anne Sumpter (5)				
Sarah O'Hara (6)				
Laura Harrington (6)				
TBD (7)				Proxy*
Hannah Wilson (8)			$\boxtimes$	Brett Magnuson (2)
Michelle Miller (8)			$\boxtimes$	Martin Arroyo (7)
Alexander Lefort (9)	×	= attended meeting		
Sarah Coppola (9)	*	= voting members		
David Warren (10)	13	= voting members for quorum		
Ex-Officio Member		Ex-Officio Member		Env. Health & Safety Member
Tracey Mosier, UWF	×	Rick Gleason, DEOHS	$\boxtimes$	Katia Harb
Chris Pennington, UWF	⊠	Felicia Foster, AGO		Denise Bender
Steve Charvat, UWEM	$\boxtimes$	Nancy Gwin, AGO	$\boxtimes$	Erin McKeown
Barry Morgan, UWEM	⊠	Ken Nielsen, Risk Services	×	Sonia Honeydew
Lt. Chris Jaross, UWPD		Susan Wagshul-Golden, UWT	×	Lorilyn A. H. Ignao
		Allyson Long, UWB	×	Tracy Harvey
			×	Jenna Gravley
Guest				
Sherri Nielsen, UWB				

## Agenda

- 1. Attendance/Quorum
- 2. Call to Order and Welcome
- 3. Member Orientation
- 4. Elect Leadership
- 5. Approval of Meeting Minutes
- 6. COVID-19 Update
- 7. Organizational Group Reports and Brief Introductions
- 8. Union Reports
- 9. Ex Officio Reports
- 10. EH&S Updates: L&I and General
- 11. Good of the Order
- 12. Adjourn

Minutes by Lorilyn Apple H. Ignao

The meeting was conducted via Zoom and was recorded.

#### 1. Attendance/Quorum

Sonia announced meeting attendance met quorum.

#### 2. Call to Order and Welcome

U-Wide Chair Carmen Parisi opened with a land and water acknowledgement and introduced meeting voting rules.

#### 3. Member Orientation

Sonia oriented U-Wide HSC members using the EH&S <u>HSC webpage</u>. She shared the U-Wide Overview, the link to the roster of voting and non-voting members, the link to the charter showing purpose and responsibilities of the committee, and links to regulation and policy guidance. The U-Wide brings together the ten organizational HSCs to facilitate communication regarding health and safety topics relevant across the university. The committee composition is designed to assure equitable representation and voting practices. Responsibilities include reviewing accident trends, recommending strategies and policies, and collaborating with EH&S to improve the culture of safety at UW.

#### 4. Elect Leadership

Erin gave summary of Chair and Vice Chair responsibilities and eligibility, and asked for nominations for the two positions. Introduced Zoom polling feature. No new nominations. Carmen for Chair and Liz for Vice Chair. Erin requested a vote by declaration, asking members to remain silent if in agreement with approving Carmen and Liz to continue as Chair and Vice Chair. No members communicated any concerns, so Erin motioned to approve Carmen for Chair and Liz for Vice Chair. Sarah O'Hara seconded.

## 5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Carmen asked for a motion to approve December 8, 2021 meeting minutes. Paula Lukaszek motioned to accept. Anthony Colinares seconded.

#### 6. COVID-19 Update

Katia extended a thank you and welcome to new members. Delivered recap of December and January COVID-19 trends. Compared university to state counts, mentioned <u>currently campus is on a downward trend</u>. State of Washington hospitalizations have been steadily decreasing. Continue to encourage boosters, level up masking. Decrease in isolation time. <u>New online form to report</u>

positive cases to EH&S. Requirements for not boosted individuals to quarantine if exposed. Daily attestations no longer required for UW healthcare settings. Highly encouraging to self-monitor symptoms. Reviewed updated COVID-19 Public Health Requirements and Guidance flowchart. Automated notifications and guidance given through databases, contact tracers no longer speaking with every case. Erin reminded OARS report required in workplace transmission cases. Katia reintroduced and encouraged use of WA Notify. Mentioned more testing appointments available as well as KN95 masks in various locations on campus.

### 7. Organizational Group Reports and Brief Introductions

Carmen introduced committee update expectations.

#### HSC-1

Ryan Hawkinson, Foster School of Business, co-chair. Many OARS reports included COVID-19 campus transmissions. Groups have reported homeless persons entering campus buildings and discussed how off-campus locations can have quicker response time from SPD. Reported on Co-Motion group incident with a delayed three-hour SPD response time. UWPD Lt. Chris Jaross advised shutting down offices, closing doors, and going home for the day as an immediate response.

#### HSC-2

Brett Magnuson, proxy. Building Services Department and Transportation Services raised concerns with increased number of car break-ins and called for greater security measures. Norman Kwasinski introduction.

#### HSC-3

Kurt Oglesby, Husky Union Building. Committee welcomed three new members. Anthony Colinares, Husky Union Building, introduction.

#### HSC-4

Christine Aker, Program Operations Specialist, HSAS&F. Pending an appointment with the School of Nursing. Carol Harvey, co-Chair. Emphasis on Five Whys training. Reported on individuals in Genome Sciences wearing PPE in public spaces and asked for recommendations. Katia mentioned option to send out targeted messaging to departments/buildings/wings that are areas of concern. Tracy Harvey encouraged conversations within units to remind staff of policies and practices.

#### HSC-5

Liz Kindred, Harborview Medical Center. Medical Centers at record high activation for the latter half of December through January. Currently in mid-high activation status. Most patients are in acute care, less sick patients. Mentioned staffing and supply issues having a trickle-down effect on operations. National Guard present at HMC.

#### HSC-6

Sarah O'Hara, fiscal specialist. Laura Harrington, Air Force ROTC Program Coordinator. Nothing new to report.

#### HSC-7

Martin Arroyo. Welcomed new members in December.

#### HSC-8

Michelle Miller, Divisional Manager, UWT. Completed elections.

#### HSC-9

Alex Lefort, College of Engineering. Recommendation from Civil and Environmental Engineering to work with custodial services regarding safety around gas cylinders. Emphasis on Five Whys training. Sarah Coppola, faculty in HCDE.

#### HSC-10

David Warren. Committee has not yet elected chair or co-chair and still needs to assess interest in the positions. Reported there were no bee stings for all of 2021. David Zuckerman, Arboretum, introduced himself.

## 8. Union Reports

WFSE 1488: Paula's questions were answered by Katia's COVID-19 update. HFS food service workers and UW Facilities custodians requesting N95 masks. Tracey, UW Facilities confirmed many N95 and some KN95 masks available to UWF custodians. Another UWF order will be placed. Paula requested masks be readily available, and not require employees to pick them up at another location. Erin will reach out to HFS on the matter and get back to Paula.

SEIU 925: Ann Aumann, healthcare safety professional. Nothing to report.

UAW 4121: Antonio Vazquez. Nothing to report.

## 9. Ex Officio Reports

#### **UW Facilities**

Tracey Mosier, Director of Safety. Chris Pennington, Safety Analyst. Nothing to report.

## **Emergency Management**

Not present.

#### **UWPD**

Lt. Chris Jaross. Nothing to report. Available to join meetings or present information to departments.

#### **DEOHS**

Rick Gleason. Nothing to report.

#### AGO

Nancy Gwin. Nothing to report.

#### **Claim Services**

Ken Nielsen introduction.

#### **UW Tacoma**

Not present.

#### **UW Bothell**

Not present.

#### 10. EH&S Updates: L&I

Erin McKeown provided an overview of L&I investigations at UWMC Montlake, UWMC Northwest, Eastside Specialty Clinic, and the 908 Jefferson Harborview facility. UW has agreed to a settlement agreement, and will pay \$8400.00 for social distancing penalties at the Eastside Specialty Clinic and UWMC Montlake. UW Medicine agreed to provide respiratory protection to healthcare staff potentially exposed to patients with known or suspected covid-19 and during aerosol-generating procedures of known or suspected COVID-19 patients as defined by Department of Health.

On a separate note, UW has four open investigations still pending with Labor and Industries:

- UWMC Lab Medicine COVID testing sites- fit testing workers
- HMC Covid outbreak in the anesthesia care unit
- UWMC Reproductive Care unit at Roosevelt Clinic- social distancing
- UWMC Environmental Services- linen cart repairs

Erin said she emailed OSHA 300A summaries and reminded everyone to post them on department safety bulletin boards from February 1 through April 30, 2022.

## **EH&S Updates: General**

Katia said the OSHA 300A summaries show an increase in the campus incident rate. She said the OSHA300A reports are available on the EH&S website. She said the purpose of reporting accidents and incidents is safety and accident prevention. She asked everyone to promote near-miss reporting as way to improve our safety culture.

She mentioned that EH&S is preparing the annual Health and Safety Committee reports summarizing the 2021workplace injuries for each Executive Sponsor, and the committees will also get copies of the report within the coming weeks.

EH&S is filling job vacancies.

#### 11. Good of the Order

Sonia introduces <u>Box Cutter Safety sheet</u> from UW Facilities. UWF Stores confirm 500 KN-95 masks available, 20k additional KN-95 ordered.

## 12. Adjourn

Carmen invited motion to adjourn. Alex Lefort motioned, Sarah O'Hara seconded.

Meeting adjourned 2:27pm.