PURPOSE:
The purpose of this report is to compile all actions and recommendations of the Safety Committee for the 2016 fiscal year.

BOARD MEMBERS:

EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVES
Mark Russell – Smith Union, Committee Chair
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Todd Bauch – Campus Recreation,
Heather Randol – Environmental Health & Safety
Nicholas Weltch – Campus Public Safety Office
Karen Barnack – Environmental Health & Safety

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Carey Gibbar – Facilities & Property Management
Eric Jensen – Fine Arts

AD HOC MEMBERS AND ATTENDEES
Jon Davis – Environmental Health and Safety
Raychel O’Hare - Environmental Health and Safety
REVIEW OF GOALS FOR FY 2016 (FROM ANNUAL REPORT FOR FY2015):

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLANS FOR CAMPUS

PSU hired a new Fire, Life, and Safety Officer who is currently reviewing and implementing new evacuation plans in coordination with the Committee. The Accessibility Committee has also started an Emergency Egress Subcommittee to address ADA issues in evacuations. A member of the Safety Committee serves on that committee.

CONTINUE TO SPONSOR CAMPUS WIDE TRAININGS

This year the Committee has focused on providing CPR/AED training to all Facilities and Capital Planning personnel rather than offering piecemeal training to the campus at large. Over 100 employees of Facilities and Property Management (FPM) and Capital Projects Construction (CPC) have received AED/CPR training this year.

TRAIN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Scott Jaqua ran a hazard recognition training workshop for all Safety Committee members in October, 2015.

INJURY FOLLOW UP

In addition to training on incident investigation and follow up by Human Resources, Environmental Health & Safety is following up on all accidents reported by FPM and CPC personnel. All accidents are being reviewed at committee meetings.

REVIEW AND UPDATE CHARTER

The Committee reviewed, updated, and approved the Charter at its September 2015 meeting.

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM FY 2016:

QUARTERLY INSPECTIONS

Implemented in FY13, the Committee has finished its fourth consecutive year of quarterly building inspections as required by OSHA. Buildings inspected this fiscal year include University Honors, the Science Building 1 Physics Shop, the University Place Hotel, and the Ondine Engineering Lab.

DESIGN SAFETY

The Committee spoke to Steve Rounds at CPC about incorporating safety elements in design approvals for all future University construction projects. The effort is ongoing.

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DIFFICULTIES FOR FY2016:

NEW PERSONNEL

The Committee’s efforts to create and implement a new evacuation protocol for the University campus were interrupted by the departure of the Fire, Life, and Safety Coordinator and the ensuing gap until the University could hire a new Fire, Life, and Safety Officer to begin the process again from scratch. The Committee is working with the new officer to complete the project.

GOALS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2017

IDENTIFY NEW CPSO REPRESENTATIVE

The Committee needs to identify a new representative from CPSO to attend and advise committee meetings with the departure of its longtime liaison, Nicholas Weltch.

REINSTITUTE CAMPUS WIDE TRAININGS

The Committee was allocated $10,000 to conduct CPR/AED and First Aid training for staff across campus during FY2014. The Committee still has some funds remaining from this allocation and should seek to reinstate the campus wide trainings offered in previous years.

IDENTIFY NEW TRAININGS

The Committee should identify other areas of training other than AED/CPR that may benefit the safety of the campus community and review the feasibility of offering trainings in those areas, possibly coordinating with Human Resources’ Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise Program. Enhance safety training for students outside FPM & CPC.

WORK WITH CAMPUS CHILDCARE FACILITIES TO PREVENT FUTURE ACCIDENTS

Due to a high number of accidents in 2015-2016, coordinate SAIF inspection of HGCDC and other child care facilities and arrange safety awareness training.

PROPOSE A MECHANISM FOR REPORTING “NEAR MISS” ACCIDENTS