

UWT Health & Safety Meeting
Minutes
September 13, 2007

Attendees: Darren Bailey, Joe Chynoweth, Stephen Costanti, Gabriela Crosby, Kim Davenport, Linda Kachinsky, Tim Kapler, Dave Leonard, Carolyn Maxson, Naarah McDonald, Michael McMillan, Linda Spence-Noyer, Carla van Rossum, James Woods

J. Chynoweth called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Agenda was adopted as submitted.

Minutes from August meeting were approved.

Committee Spending Proposals

S. Costanti asked whether a blood pressure cuff is available on campus for regular use. D. Bailey replied that staff in Nursing or Security would be able to measure blood pressure, but in most cases, he would recommend calling 911 if someone had immediate concerns. If someone has a need to check pressure regularly (ie, recommended by a doctor), it would probably be their responsibility to purchase the equipment for their office.

J. Chynoweth suggested that a self-service machine could avoid liability issues. D. Leonard confirmed that such machines are available. J. Chynoweth responded that perhaps students would be interested in funding the purchase of such a machine. D. Leonard offered to ask Employee Service staff from Hall Health what services they might be able to provide in Tacoma.

N. McDonald stated that regardless of how the purchase was funded, she felt such a machine should be available on campus. J. Chynoweth asked for volunteers to approach students to discuss support and/or funding for this purchase. N. McDonald, L. Spence-Noyer, and S. Costanti volunteered to do so and report back at the next meeting.

M. McMillan proposed that the committee consider purchasing CPR barriers to include in the backpacks to be provided to wardens. J. Chynoweth agreed that the backpacks should be a complete package, providing wardens with everything they might need in case of an emergency. D. Bailey and M. McMillan volunteered to follow up with Susan Wagshul-Golden as to whether Security could fund this purchase, or whether it would need to come out of committee funds.

N. McDonald inquired about the status of plans to install concave mirrors at appropriate locations on campus. J. Chynoweth responded that he has talked with Security, and that we are currently waiting for vendor selection/pricing.

Round Table

K. Davenport asked whether the defibrillator recently placed in WCG would be moved to the new Copy Center location or remain in WCG. D. Bailey replied that he was still waiting for a decision to be made. K. Davenport suggested that she could remove that location from the list published on the web until a decision is made.

T. Kapler asked whether a sign could be posted in the MAT exterior elevator with a phone number for Facilities or Security, as the elevator frequently gets stuck. J. Chynoweth replied that there is a phone in the elevator that can be used to call for assistance, but agreed that perhaps signage could be added. D. Bailey volunteered to handle this.

J. Woods pointed out that it is quite easy to make portions of the UWT website accessible only via NetID. This was in response to Susan Wagshul-Golden's comments at the last meeting about making certain portions of the EAP accessible only to the campus community, not to the general public.

L. Spence-Noyer introduced herself as the new representative to the committee from Enrollment Services, and asked what work was being done to follow up on the earthquake drill in April. J. Chynoweth responded that the entire PA system is being reviewed for possible improvements, based on the feedback that was received in the drill.

D. Bailey reminded the group that construction has begun on the Assembly Hall project, and encouraged everyone to be careful and alert when moving through campus. He also mentioned that there has been a great deal of graffiti on campus recently, and asked that people contact Security first to report it, before contacting Facilities to clean it up. In general, always report anything suspicious to Security.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Davenport