

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON | TACOMA

Health and Safety Committee Minutes October 13, 2016 1 PM to 2:30 PM, CP 303

Employee Elected Positions			
Organization	Representing	Elected Members	Present (X)
Academic Affairs	Education	Donna Braboy	-
	Nursing	Susan Johnson	-
	Social Work	Gabriela Crosby	X
	Library	Hannah Wilson, Co-Chair	X
	Teaching & Learning Center	Carolyn Maxson	-
	Academic Advising	Jennifer Wilson	X
	Milgard School of Business	Erica Howard	-
	Academic Affairs, Global Honors, Urban Studies & Chancellor's Office	Silvia Neely	-
	Institute of Technology	Robert Landowski	-
Administrative Services	Finance & Administration At-Large	Galen Guffy	X
	Campus Safety & Security	Robert Whitfield	-
	Facilities Services	Don Lee	-
Advancement	Advancement	Alex Volkman, Co-Chair	X
Center for Urban Waters	Center for Urban Waters	Alex Gipe	-
Enrollment Services	Enrollment Services	Linda Spence-Noyer	X
Equity and Diversity	Equity and Inclusion	Sara Contreras	-
Instructional Technology	MEDEX	Vanessa Bester	-
Organization			
Position			
Name			
UWT Environmental Health & Safety	Director of UWT EH&S	Dave Leonard	X
Facilities Services	Director of Facilities Services	Stanley Joshua	X
Campus Safety & Security	Director of Campus Safety & Security	Susan Wagshul-Golden	-
SUBJECT: Laboratory Safety	Instructional Supervisor-Environmental Science/IAS	Michelle Miller	-
Ex-Officio - Committee Support			
Organization			
Position			
Name			
UWT Environmental Health & Safety	Committee Secretary	Galen Guffy	X

Meeting called to order: 1:00 PM. The Committee voted to table the approval of the September 8, 2016 meeting minutes until next meeting.

OARS Reports – Co-Chairs and Dave Leonard:

The Committee reviewed the OARS report summarized below. Dave Leonard reported that he debriefed with the employee's supervisor and the Committee found the issue to be resolved.

Accident Summary Report

HSC 8

9/1/2016 to 9/30/2016

<i>Case#</i>	<i>Org Name</i>	<i>Employee Activity</i>	<i>Root Cause</i>	<i>Supervisor Corrective Action</i>
2016-09-023	FINANCE ADMIN-T	I had just cleared, secured and alarmed the WHT building and was crossing the street headed northbound in the marked Fawcett avenue crosswalk when a lady driving at a high rate of speed was driving West on 19th with her head looking down in the direction of her lap. As I was already in the crosswalk in front of her I moved to get across quickly about the time she looked up and hit her brakes, stopping the car hurriedly. In her right hand I could plainly see a cell phone. My left knee which was already hurting from answering a unwanted person call earlier in the same day while on duty began to hurt more pronounced after having to move quickly to avoid possibly being struck by the vehicle while I was in the crosswalk.	This was a near miss caused by driver not paying attention while operating the vehicle. Employee took necessary action to prevent injury while in the crosswalk.	The crosswalk area may need to be reviewed for further,

U Wide Safety Committee Meeting – Hannah Wilson:

- UW Seattle has conducted Green Dot Anti-Bullying, Harassment and Sexual Assault Prevention Training for students. The next step is the Green Dot initiative to provide training for faculty and staff.
- There was a suspected shooting in the Arboretum which caused a wedding occurring there at the time to be locked down.
- A number of the UW Seattle U-Cars experienced serious mechanical malfunctions resulting in the recall of two of the cars.

Environmental Health & Safety Report: Dave Leonard

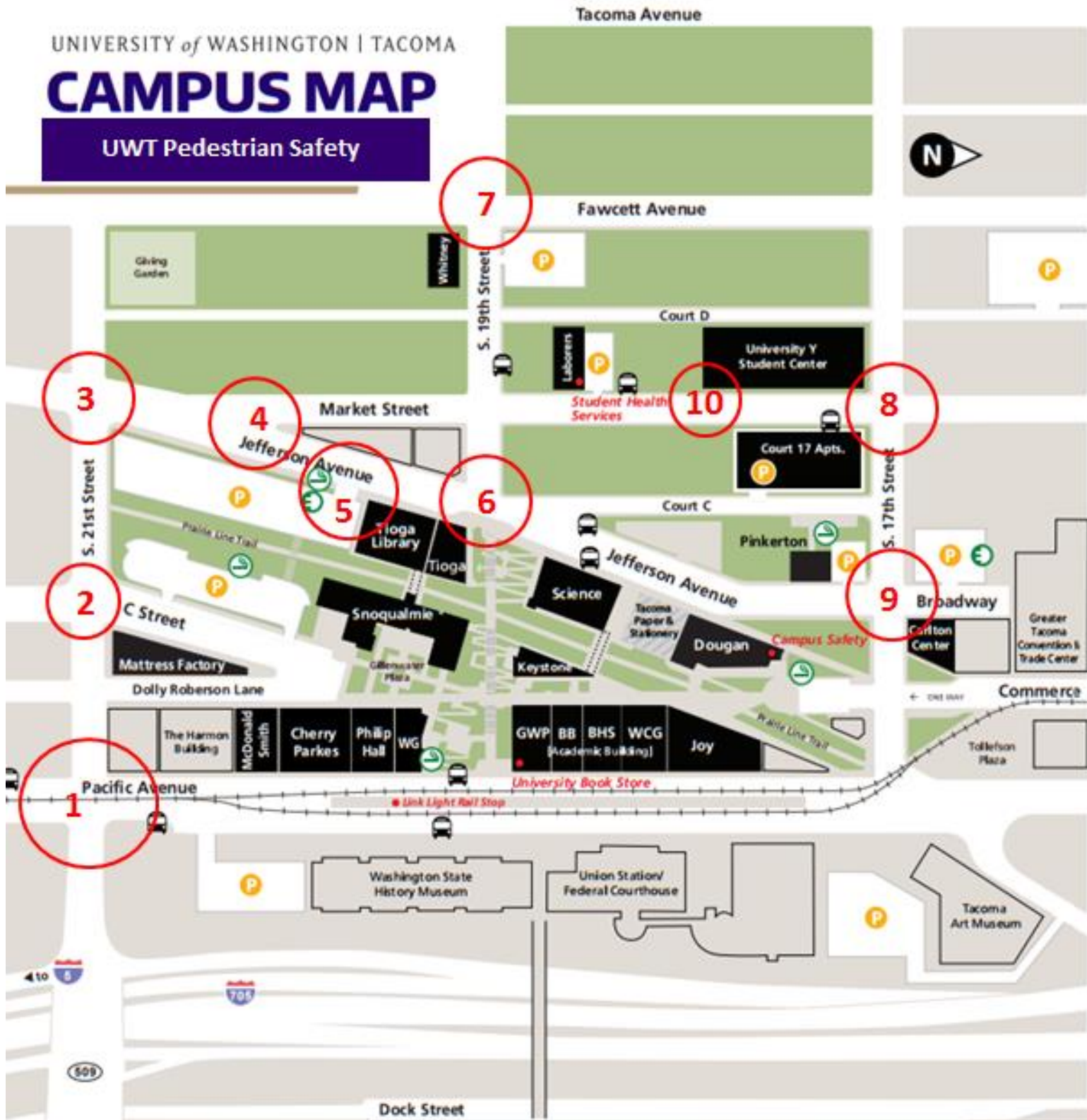
Dave has been working on scheduling campus building evacuation drills which have been going well. Facilities Services have been very helpful with these drills, trouble shooting and dealing with any questions that come up as a result of the drills. There are still some drills left to do so more are scheduled next week. Next on the list are The Carlton Center and The Whitney Building. Friday's drill will be cancelled due to weather.

Special Topic – Pedestrian Safety with Guest Speaker Brennan Kidd from C.O.T.

City of Tacoma Transportation Specialist, Brennan Kidd came to talk with the Committee about pedestrian safety issues on the UW Tacoma Campus. The Committee had identified in a prior meeting which intersections we were most concerned with and Dave Leonard prepared a PowerPoint presentation with pictures of these intersections for Brennan to address. Below is a full report compiled after the fact of the intersections addressed and the discussion they generated:

CAMPUS MAP



UWT Pedestrian Safety

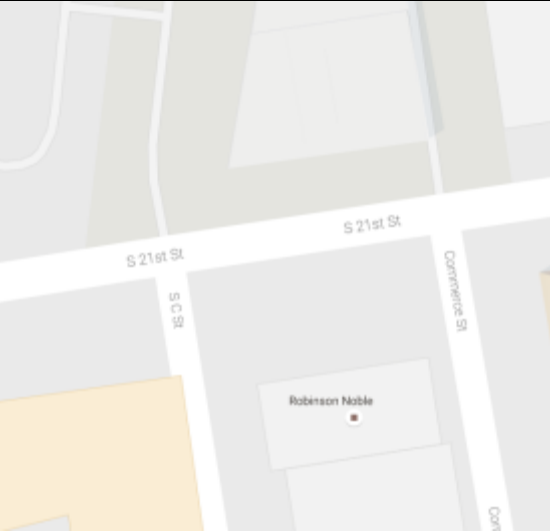





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- Skateboarding is prohibited on lawns, benches, stairs, hand rails, loading ramps, sculptures and inside buildings. See the University of Washington Tacoma website for more information.



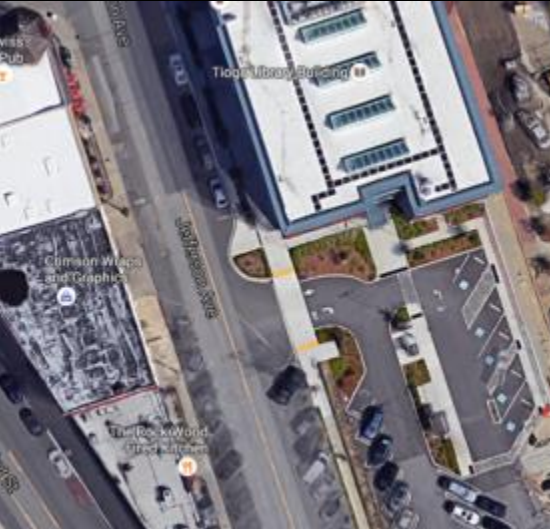

UWT Pedestrian Safety Legend

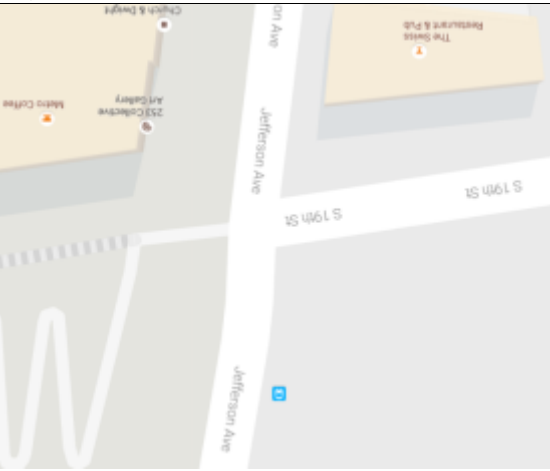



- 1) S 21st ST & Pacific AVE
- 2) S 21st ST & C ST
- 3) S 21st ST & Jefferson AVE
- 4) Jefferson AVE & Market ST
- 5) Tioga Building Parking Driveway
- 6) S 19th ST & Market ST
- 7) S 19th ST & Fawcett AVE
- 8) S 17th ST & Market ST
- 9) S 17th ST & Broadway
- 10) Market ST Crosswalk



Map	Picture(s)	Concerns	Discussion	Possible Actions/Funding
<p data-bbox="46 103 348 131">1) S 21st ST & Pacific AVE</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close proximity of pedestrians to vehicles • Lack of contrast on the decorative crosswalks • Sidewalk is not very wide • Possible tripping hazards in the sidewalks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No room to consider typical curb • No current plans for implementing crosswalk striping. • Width of sidewalk is constrained by roadway width and building proximity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tripping hazards responsibility of abutting property owner (may be structural sidewalks). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City could consider adding crosswalk striping ("rails"). • City will evaluate whether vegetation affects intersection/crosswalk sight distance.





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<p data-bbox="44 139 243 167">2) 21st ST & C ST</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Heavy traffic along 21st make crossing street difficult for pedestrians. ● Several report driver disregard for pedestrians ● Several report lighting in crossing area is minimal. ● Roadway grades approaching crosswalk ● Less traffic times = speeding ● Sun glare during certain times of day/year. ● Non-UW pedestrian (Holiday Inn customer) struck and injured by a hit and run driver. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Could a pedestrian refuge island be incorporated? ● What other ways could City consider/recommend for making the crossing of the street safer for pedestrians? ● Could a pedestrian activated stop light be an appropriate solution? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● City will check sight distance, with respect to road grade and vegetation. ● UWT would have to evaluate use of Dolly Roberson for refuge island idea. ● City staff is in the process of completing a lighting analysis for the intersection. ● City/UWT staff time to develop a solution.

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<p data-bbox="44 139 361 167">3) 21st ST & Jefferson AVE</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drivers not stopping for pedestrians using (unmarked) crosswalks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marking of crosswalks could draw driver's attention to pedestrians <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Curb ramp accessibility-dependent • Marking of stop lines in the interim <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Only if opportunity presents itself, and curb ramp accessibility is in place. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City could investigate application of a high-friction pavement (surface treatment on existing concrete roadway). At this time it likely will not work given the surface is concrete rather than asphalt. • City will consider adding stop line markings to annual contract. • City to evaluate effectiveness of "Turning Vehicles STOP for Peds" signing • City staff time; possible City's annual striping maintenance contract

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<p data-bbox="44 136 407 164">4) Jefferson AVE & Market ST</p> 		<ul data-bbox="1073 175 1325 560" style="list-style-type: none"> • Marked crossing along east side of Market leads to "nowhere" (painted median/triangular area) • Little perceived use of marked crossing 	<ul data-bbox="1346 175 1661 831" style="list-style-type: none"> • Prospect for UWT project to "de-pave" the area, and/or convert Jefferson Ave to one-way North bound; • Most traffic does not attempt left turn onto South bound Market at peak traffic times. • Signing/marketing of "midblock" crossing of Jefferson Ave from painted island to sidewalk on E side? (prox of on-street parking) 	<ul data-bbox="1692 175 2045 483" style="list-style-type: none"> • City will determine whether crossing can be re-marked without ADA accessibility upgrades. • City staff time; UWT staff time regarding future plans for "de-paving" portion of the area.
<p data-bbox="44 842 470 870">5) Tioga Building Parking Driveway</p> 		<ul data-bbox="1073 881 1325 1377" style="list-style-type: none"> • Sight distance for vehicles exiting onto Jefferson with respect to east side of street angle parking. • Nighttime lighting conditions may be more of an issue than sight distance. 	<ul data-bbox="1346 881 1661 1304" style="list-style-type: none"> • Elimination of some angle parking to achieve desired driveway sight distance • Would back-in parking help sight lines? <ul data-bbox="1367 1154 1619 1304" style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (slope of roadway with respect to back-in parking) 	<ul data-bbox="1692 881 2045 1263" style="list-style-type: none"> • City has previously concluded that adequate driveway sight distance is available, but could be improved by removing on-street parking. • UWT to consider outreach to adjacent businesses regarding loss of parking space(s).

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<p data-bbox="44 139 384 167">6) S 19th ST & Jefferson AVE</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crosswalk markings of south and west legs dependent on ramp upgrades • Stop line add/refresh in the interim 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ramp improvements to be tied to remainder of Tioga Building development and/or new building improvements planned next to Rock Pasta or along west side of Court C. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City will consider adding stop line markings to annual contract. • Possible addition to City's annual striping maintenance contract
<p data-bbox="44 839 369 867">7) S 19th ST & Fawcett AVE</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students cross S 19th in this area relative to the Whitney Bldg • The pedestrian treatments at intersection are good • Advance signing helpful, including 25 mph speed limit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

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<p data-bbox="44 139 342 167">8) S 17th ST & Market ST</p> 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficult to cross street without a crosswalk. • Difficult to cross street due to cars parked on the road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What treatment can be implemented? Is a signal warranted? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Studied as part of recent area-wide traffic analysis. • City will use recent area traffic study to evaluate options. • If parking is removed, consider UWT outreach to businesses for possible parking removal support

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<p data-bbox="44 136 338 164">9) S 17th ST & Broadway</p> 		<ul data-bbox="1073 180 1314 402" style="list-style-type: none"> • Near miss of UW employee involving Marriott Hotel/Republic Parking valet 	<ul data-bbox="1346 180 1367 196" style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul data-bbox="1692 180 1713 196" style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p data-bbox="44 769 348 797">10) Market ST Crosswalk</p> 		<ul data-bbox="1073 824 1094 841" style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul data-bbox="1346 824 1367 841" style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul data-bbox="1692 824 1713 841" style="list-style-type: none"> •