

**Health and Safety Committee Minutes
September 8, 2016
1 PM to 2 PM, CP 303**

Employee Elected Positions			
Organization	Representing	Elected Members	Present (X)
Academic Affairs	Education	Donna Braboy	X
	Nursing	Susan Johnson	-
	Social Work	Gabriela Crosby	X
	Library	Hannah Wilson, Co-Chair	X
	Teaching & Learning Center	Carolyn Maxson	X
	Academic Advising	Jennifer Wilson	X
	Milgard School of Business	Erica Howard	-
	Academic Affairs, Global Honors, Urban Studies & Chancellor's Office	Silvia Neely	-
Administrative Services	Institute of Technology	Robert Landowski	X
	Finance & Administration At-Large	Galen Guffy	X
	Campus Safety & Security	Robert Whitfield	-
Advancement	Facilities Services	Don Lee	-
	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	X
Organization			
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	X
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.

No Review of OARS Reports this meeting as there were no OARS for UW Tacoma in August 2016.

No Review of the U-Wide Meeting as it has not happened yet for September, 2016 (scheduled for September 14, 2016).

Environmental Health & Safety Report: Dave Leonard

Dave addressed the following safety issues on campus:

- The construction at the Tacoma Paper & Stationary Building (TPS) is in its exterior phase. Currently the lead paint is being removed from the exterior brickwork using a chemical stripping method as opposed an abrasive blasting method which would put more particulate matter in the air. As a result, for those adjacent to the project, there is little risk because this is a very safe method for removal. For additional projection, TPS is encased in wrapped scaffolding to minimize environmental contact with the chemicals used in this process.
- The Jefferson Street Refurbishment is underway. This process is associated with the TPS construction and involves improving storm water drainage, along with water supply and electrical utility access underneath the street surface. It is scheduled to be complete concurrent with the first day of classes for Autumn Quarter – September 28, 2016. When it is completed it will feature a cross walk and a curve bulb similar to one in front of the Dougan Building.
- The Walsh Gardner Building will be intermittently and partially closed for duct cleaning, replacement of damaged ceiling tiles, and carpet cleaning. This work is maintenance work and should be completed by the end of Autumn Quarter 2016.
- The Walsh Gardner Building was the source a WA State Dept. of Labor & Industries investigation initiated as a result from complaints from UW Tacoma employees about the air quality in the building. Several employees were concerned because they seemed to be getting sick a lot and a couple of them had sinus surgery. The L&I report findings did not reveal any correlative evidence that the air quality in the WG Building related to these illnesses.

Safety Presentation: Susan Wagshull-Golden

Susan presented the earthquake simulation video <http://www.dropcoverholdon.org/>, that is posted on the UW Tacoma Campus Safety & Security webpage. This video is associated with Campus Safety's ongoing effort to provide disaster preparedness education to our students, staff and faculty. Also featured on <http://www.dropcoverholdon.org/>, are many disaster and emergency planning and safeguarding tips including a "Beat the Quake" quiz that provides invaluable information about how to prevent damage and breakage of household valuables in the event of an earthquake. This is part of Campus Safety's readiness preparation for the all UW Campus "Great Shake Out" drill scheduled for October 20th, 2016 at 10:20am.

Round Table (special topic: Pedestrian Safety)

The UW Tacoma Health & Safety Committee will have special guest Brennan Kidd, Transportation Engineer from the City of Tacoma Public Works Department at our October 13th meeting next month. The committee focused the majority of its round table discussion to pedestrian safety agenda items in preparation for this meeting:

- Dave: intends to give Brennan an overview of all of the major intersections on campus.
- Linda: would like to address the problem of cars speeding on Court C to get on Dolly Roberson Way. Also, they drive backwards on Dolly Roberson to access the Harmon's parking spaces. There is a lot of pedestrian traffic on these streets and this dangerous driving endangers them.
- Galen: would like to address the lack of crosswalks at the 17th and Market intersection where the UW YMCA is located. This is a major traffic thoroughfare with a high degree of pedestrian traffic. Crosswalks seem very much indicated for optimal pedestrian safety.

- Alex: would like to address long term plans for 21st Street as a campus access road.
- Susan: a private developer recently purchased 6.7 acres of land above the 7 Seas Brewery along 21st Street and plans to put a mixed use structure there. This should positively impact pedestrian safety along that road and its intersecting areas.
- Susan: another issue to address is that the Court 17 apartments have been entirely converted into a student residence hall. This will impact pedestrian traffic and safety on campus as well.
- Gabby: need information about when the next active shooter trainings are scheduled. Susan: this info is on the Campus Safety webpage and the SafeCampus web page.
- Bob: employee SafeZone training happening on UW Tacoma campus the last week of September before classes start for Fall Quarter.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:45pm

Next Meeting: October 13, 2016, 1pm to 2pm, Location: TBA

September 8th minutes respectfully submitted by Galen Guffy, UWT Health & Safety Committee Secretary