

**MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE
HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE
MJC East Campus, JRNL 150
Notes**

Date: January 24, 2014

Present:

Becky Crow, Chair	Adrian DeAngelis, Vocational Labs	Cecelia Vera, Health Services
Dorothy Pimentel, Risk Management	Jim Stevens, Faculty	Joe Caddell, Science Labs;
Lloyd Jackson, Campus Safety	Nicholas Stuyt, Agriculture	Marsha Calbreath, Recorder
Phillip Labrador, Faculty	Brian Sanders, CHO	

Absent: Dave Keener, Facilities; Cirilo Torres, Classified; Yolanda Avila, Classified; Tara Luihn, Student

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Introduction & Housekeeping

Yolanda Avila is now management. We have asked Rosanne Faughn to provide another classified representative for the committee.

2. Approval of Notes from October 11, 2013 meeting

There is no quorum. We will suspend approval of the Notes until the next meeting. Comments: Brian Sanders indicated that the concerns regarding vehicles driving on sidewalks has been improving (see Item 4).

3. Reports:

- Student Representative

There are no known concerns from students at this time.

- Risk Management

Dorothy distributed the updated IIPP and asked the Safety Committee to review the plan and provide edits as appropriate. The changes will be tracked. The draft will updated with the committee's changes, reviewed by Teresa Scott and be available for the committee's review afterwards.

Changes so far: Implementing campus delegates at the colleges. MJC: Director of Campus Safety, Greg Elam at Columbia. Please send your comments back to Dorothy by 2/21/14. She will provide it electronically. She will bring it back to the committee in April.

Answer to question regarding liability for fallen branches from the October meeting. Dorothy indicated that anytime there is an injury or accident, Risk Management is notified. Our claims administrators investigate and determine whether or not there is liability. We do not dictate what is covered and what isn't. If it is our fault, it is typically covered. It always depends on the circumstances. For instance, if the tree is diseased and we neglect to take care of it, it may be covered.

- Facilities
No representative from Facilities.

4. Discussion Items

- Emergency Lighting – Adrian DeAngelis brought concerns from Tech Ed regarding a lack of emergency lighting during utility failures. There have been instances in MSR, Sierra Hall, Founders Hall and Morris, etc. where lack of emergency lighting has created a need to assist occupants from the building. This is a concern that dark stairwells and halls where people have to feel their way through the darkness is a hazard, especially when evacuations are necessary.

Becky commented that in April 2013, there was a utility failure that impacted the East campus and resulted in some concerns about what to do. Following that incident, Campus Safety put out an email to educate faculty and staff on proper procedures during a utility failure and referred them to the Emergency Procedures chart in each classroom. This was also a topic in the 2013 Annual CEOP training.

Becky has had discussions with Tim Nesmith regarding emergency lighting in all stairwells. Campus Safety would be happy to test the lighting every month. Lloyd and Keener have identified the locations of emergency lighting and have checked all that can be checked with a test button. Many of the buildings are equipped with emergency lighting that have ballasts with a battery backup. Those lights must be checked by an electrician. Electricians are working on determining why the light in MSR failed on the day of the power outage. Facilities is trying to identify the problem and work on it. There are areas on campus that do not have emergency lighting.

There was brief discussion about possible solutions, including types of emergency signage, emergency lighting and use of flashlights by faculty. Becky said that all building coordinators have flashlights.

The committee would like to see an investment in emergency lighting. Adrien will report to Tech Ed that we need to include Facilities in the discussion.

- Smoking on Campus - Update—Tara Luihn
Tara was going to report on this. Becky brought the committee up-to-date on the fact that University of California is now mandated no smoking, including E-Cigarettes. Municipalities are also moving toward no-smoking. Until further notice, we are following Board Policy regarding no smoking on campus.

Cecilia advised that CSUs are also now mandated, and CCCs are relative to the site. Each college has a different viewpoint on it. Most of them are student oriented. (Jim)

- Influenza in Stanislaus County – Cecilia Vera
Health Services get updates from Public Health. There has been an increase in flu disease and flu deaths and we are not yet at the peak of the season. The flu vaccine is still available but there seems to be a lot of resistance to the vaccine this year. When H1N1 came out, lots of people received the vaccine; but some people think they do not need get it this year because they had it previously. People with prior vaccinations are getting ill, but there is a better outcome if you have already received the vaccine. Please encourage everyone to get the vaccine.

There are medications that will prevent the flu if you start having symptoms and can get the prescription medication (like Tamiflu) within the first three days. The flu symptoms are not just respiratory with other symptoms, like fever, malaise, and muscle aches. You can pass the virus before showing symptoms, so important to follow the universal precautions. Wash your hands, use gloves where sharing equipment. Stay home if you are ill. If you have employees at work who are not well, remind them that they have sick time and they should go home.

Right now in California there have been 146 deaths, mostly older individuals (around 64) with preexisting conditions. On 1/17/14 deaths were at 45; the week before it was 7.

- Web-based Safety Training – Marsha Calbreath
Marsha Calbreath presented information on the web-based safety training process.
- Trees on Campus—Becky Crow
This discussion has been tabled until Tim Nesmith is available. The committee requested that we set another special meeting for this purpose. Marsha will do so.

5. Round Table: (Items too late for agenda or for the good of the campus)—
None.

6. Next meeting:
Special Meeting regarding Trees on Campus: Thursday, March 20, 2014, 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at JRNL 150.

Next regular meeting: Friday, April 11, 2014, 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, Location TBD. Send agenda items to Becky for the next meeting. Send someone else if you cannot make the meeting.

Committee Adjourned: 11:05 AM