

Marshall University/Marshall Community & Technical College

SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Monday, November 14, 2005, 2:30 p.m., 207 Old Main

Present: Dale Osburn, Jim Stephens, Ashley Salyer, Terry Olson, Brian Carrico, Steve Hensley, Jim Terry, Ashok Vaseashta and Karen Kirtley

Previous Minutes: The minutes of the September 12, 2005 meeting of the Safety Committee were approved with a few changes. The Safety Committee did not meet in October 2005.

Safety Problems: Science Building sidewalks complete.

Ashok Vaseashta:

1. Corbly Hall mold is causing people to feel sick. Jim Stephens suggest using the community input form to let us know what area is making people sick. Jim Stephens will set up on-site visit.
2. Laboratories – Some labels are missing on chemicals in lab. Science Building only. Dirty work area's and elevator safety are a concern. We will recommend that all chemicals have labels as needed.
3. Brian stated that everyone on labs shall keep the labs in orderly condition. Everyone will keep drinks and food out of this area.
4. Terry Olson stated that he did not think new labels were needed for office supplies.
5. Data sheet need to be on lab as per on yellow booklet. Safety Committee recommends they label all.
6. Brian Carrico stated that a central area is needed for all chemicals.
7. Would like a letter from Safety Committee to all chairs about above problems.
8. Take our hearing on the road as per Jim Stephens.
9. Have Brian Carrico look at the elevator problems
10. Get word out that the Safety and Health manual is out there with clear language about chemicals and the participating organizations and we will have to follow the protocol for labeling chemicals.

BRIM Insurance Issues: The University received a 7.5% discount out of 8% credit to the insurance. These discounts resulted in a \$140,000.00 savings. Driver training is generally completed. Driver training needs to be done each year. BRIM is not sure they can keep on doing this because of funding, so Brian Carrico is trying to find an alternate way to test employees. The Banner HR system may be helpful in keeping track of who has had and who needs training. BRIM will let us know by the end of the first quarter if they can still fund this. Brian will bring some products and cost to meetings.

Resolution on Quorum for Safety Committee Meeting: Jim Stephens introduced a resolution to establish that if at least four Safety Committee members including the Chair are present at a regular or special-called meeting, it shall constitute a quorum for purposes of conducting business and taking votes. The Safety Committee approved this resolution at this meeting. This resolution appears on the Safety and Health SharePoint site.

Debris on Parking Lots: Jim Terry reported than an F Lot user complained about broken bottles and debris, then called back and said everything was okay. Some broken bottles have been found on the lots, but Physical Plant takes care of these as soon as they are notified.

Cross Representation of Other Committees: Brian is going to a number of safety committees. Brian would like to get one representative from each area safety committee to attend our safety committee.

Stop Light at Science Building: Terry Olson received e-mail that they would like the stoplight moved between the Science Building and Morrow Library so student's can cross street safely. This would have to be done by the state not Marshall. Jim Terry will talk to the state about this problem and report at the next meeting.

Speed Limit: Ashok Vaseashta would like to see the speed limit dropped to 15 mph. Jim Terry went to the state about this once before and they will not change the speed limit. They have tried to have it coded as business district but the state said it didn't meet requirements. 3rd and 5th Avenues are State Highways not city streets. Jim Terry states that his department wrote about 1,000 tickets last year.

Student Trying to Hurt Professor: It was alleged that a handicapped student tried to hurt a faculty member in the classroom. This was deemed to be more of a Public Safety issue than a Safety Committee issue.