

# **W** UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON | TACOMA

## Health and Safety Committee Minutes

November 18, 2021

### Zoom Meeting

**In attendance:** Christopher Barrett, Wade Haddaway, Nikolette Tabafunda, Sonia Honeydew, Jessica Asplund, Jennifer Mitchell, Sara Contreras, Nathan Ketzner, Vann Smiley, Steve Costanti, Sean Schmidt, Michelle Miller

**Absent:** Megan Harper, Manisha Konnur, Brett Konzek, Erin McKeown, Aron Rigg, Stanley Joshua, Michelle Earthwright, Cara Farnell, Jet Hegenauer, Susan Wagshul- Golden

**Meeting called to order:** 1:04 pm

### October Minutes

- Approved

### Accident / Incident Reports

Case #	Summary	Supervisor Response	Committee Action
2021-10-003	Employee with previous injury resulting in the need of crutches slipped on a wet surface while using crutches	Suggestion to speak with physician. Take notice of caution signs especially while using walking aids and if more accommodations are needed because of the walking aids to consult DRS.	Suggestion to facilities to make sure signs are visible and encourage wiping feet to keep floors dry.
2021-10-004	Student employee's hand got smashed by folding panel walls.	Preventative measures to train and/or retrain student coordinators on operating the wall. The students will be supervised by professional staff on safely completing the process.	Would like to see better contributing factors – may not be showing up due to a bug in Tableau
2021-10-086	Employee injured back while delivering a large box to the mailroom	Box was too heavy for employee to lift. In the future refrain from lifting heavy large boxes.	Contact supervisor to share EHS regulations on heavy lifting and two person lift guidelines.

### U-Wide Meeting Report:

- COVID Update
  - Recommending vaccine boosters
    - Recommended, but not required
  - Policy regulating to individuals who have not been vaccinated
- Presentation from UWPD on Transient Campus Safety

### EH&S Update:

- Walk through of access of employee OARS metrics

### Round Table:

- Reminder that students are required for MMR vaccinations and have always been required. This is not to be confused with the COVID vaccination.
- Be cautious of walking during winter/fall weather.
- C17 students walking on car ramps rather than pedestrian exits is a hazard that is happening often
- Plans on fixing WCG elevator. Construction issues predict a fix by spring.

**Meeting adjourned** 1:34pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Nikki

Next Meeting: Thursday December 9, 2021  
1-2pm