



## University Safety Committee Minutes

**Meeting Minutes Date:** 5/26/22

**Time:** 15:00 to 15:30 Zoom

**Chair:** Chad Johnson  
**Members Present:** Dave Meany; Dave Sundstrom; Jossie Brown;  
**Members Absent:** Drew Ayers; Remington Steelman,

**Guest:**

The USC Meet on March 25, 2022 at 14:05-14:35

**I. Call to Order:**

a. Introductions

**II. Mandatory Agenda Items:** (WAC 296-800-13020) - 30 Minutes

- a. Review Safety and Health Inspection Reports (**Chad Johnson/EHS**)
  - Consideration of Safety Hazard Trends and Corrections
- b. Evaluation of Accident Investigation Reports (**Chad Johnson/EHS**)
  - Determine if Cause(s) of Unsafe Conditions were Identified and Corrected
- c. Evaluation of Workplace Accident & Illness Prevention Program (**Chad Johnson/EHS**)
  - Discussion of Recommendations for Improvement, as needed

**III. New Business; COVID 19**

**IV. Members comments:**

**V Adjourn**

## Employee Incidents March 24, 2022 to May 25, 2022

I arrived at Kingston Hall at 8:00. Dr [REDACTED] was also in the building and asked if I smelled gas, which I did. I reported the gas smell to facilities and then learned I needed to contact EH&S. We stayed in the building until about 10:45 or 11:00am. With permission from my supervisor, [REDACTED], I was allowed to telework from home for the rest of my shift until 5pm. The gas was causing lightheadedness, dizziness, nausea and throat constriction. The next day the symptoms had worsened and I had to stay home sick. **Activity Immediately Before Incident** I had arrived at work and unlocked all doors that faculty might need to use on the third floor. I went into my office and turned on my desk computer. I was feeling dizzy and lightheaded but thought that it was my own problem. Dr. [REDACTED] came down to my office and asked if I smelled gas, and I realized that was what was causing my symptoms. I stayed in the office, but my throat kept constricting so I contacted my supervisor to see if I could work from home to get out of the toxic environment. She approved. I then gathered my things and went home to Spokane on the South Hill.

Removed gloves after putting up all my equipment and noticed that my right index knuckle was scratched and bleeding, immediately washed and put antibiotic ointment on it. **Activity Immediately Before Incident** ...Wiping down bathrooms after real cleaning them, and putting up all of my equipment.

I was putting books in a new wood bin supplied by Surplus and whack my hand on the corner. Within seconds, a goose egg sized lump started to form. Putting ice on it right now.

After pulling heavy trash I noticed my chest started hurting pretty bad will go to urgent care after work

Slipped on the steps at the mechanical penthouse, had immediate low back & right knee pain

[REDACTED], under the supervision of URC Operations Manger [REDACTED], was cleaning the melt pit located in URC 102A when the hose she was using to clean out a drain got stuck. While attempting to free the hose from the drain, [REDACTED] pushed her knee through the warming bars in an attempt to gain leverage. After she freed the hose, [REDACTED] noticed her knee would not come free. [REDACTED] attempted to dislodge her knee with no success. [REDACTED] called EWU Police department to request assistance. The police department stated they would dispatch Cheney fire. Officer [REDACTED] #E38 along with the Cheney fire department showed up and assisted the situation. The fire department proceeded to utilize a spreader to free [REDACTED]'s knee from the bars. AMR arrived on the scene after Miss [REDACTED] was free and was being evaluated by Cheney Fire. [REDACTED] stated she only had minor soreness. She was instructed to monitor her knee and if any signs of concern arose to seek medical attention. Officer [REDACTED] incident number for cross reference is 2022-80000712.

was working in dish room, when he sprayed a pan and splashed mango habanero sauce in his right eye, inside corner. Flushed eye with cool water.

Slipped on wet floor in dish room, fell, bumped back of head on floor. Student is fine, filling out report in case of concussion later.

Employee was working in the dish-room, noticed water leaking out of the dish machine. They turned the machine off and waited a few minutes before opening the side door, when they opened the side door there was a few bowls, that there where upside down, filled with hot water and the hot water spilled out of bowls, and onto Kipps legs. As soon as I was informed of the incident, I took [REDACTED] to Rockwood Clinic in Cheney Washington, and helped her fill out some of the paperwork [REDACTED]

I was pushing the to go's into the walk-in and caught the top of the small ramp and the whole cart fell forward and the bottom of it caught my leg.

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As I was walking to Pearce Hall, I walked out of snyamncut and did not see a large construction sign that had fallen over on the corner of Cedar and. I heard a dog bark and looked at it to my right and as I was walking, my foot got caught on the leg of the sign and I fell directly on my left knee on top of the sign. I sat on the ground for about 5 minutes and then was able to walk to Pearce without any sprains or broken bones.

In the middle of square scrubbing an area of dining, [REDACTED] appeared from the dishwasher section of the kitchen to let us know that there was a strong chemical smell that was overpowering. She proceeded to close the door to the dishwasher section of the kitchen. She later informed us that she is sensitive to citrus fragrant chemicals in general.

While using a square scrubber with citrus on a section of floor by the market dish room door, a kitchen staff member commented on the smell and closed the open door. After finishing (about 5-10 minutes) we went outside and around to the elevator. [REDACTED] was outside and told us she was allergic to oranges/citrus and had needed to step outside.

Isaias was pushing a food rack into one of our walk-in coolers. There is a slight ramp to get in. During the course of pushing the rack up the ramp it became unbalanced and tipped over. The bottom of the rack hit him in the leg. Looked to bruise right away. Student reported that he was fine, but that it was sore.

Right hand (on palm, under ring finger) got pinched in between 2 pieces (black and orange) of moveable plastic ring locks on a boom pole. The black piece wasn't whole, sharp edge. My hand got in between the 2 colors while trying to fight it back onto the other end of the extension pole. Pinched so hard it cut into my flesh. Small shallow wound. First aid - bactene, gauze, and flexible tape. Equipment is taped up for safety and is out of order in #110, [REDACTED] office.



## Student Incidents March 24, 2022 to May 25, 2022

Water splashed from patients mouth to eyes under eye protection
Students passed out.
Was playing basketball, jumped and landed onto someone's foot and rolled his ankle. A supervisor and FI went to check on him while another supervisor went to get ice.
I was standing with my classmates around a table while my professor explained what we were going to do. My vision started to go black and blotchy, but I ignored it because I thought it would go away. It got worse and I felt like I was going to fall. I went to grab a table and suddenly I was on the floor and my teacher was crouched down next to me asking if I was okay. I sat down and drank some water, and it went away for a moment. Another girl started to wobble, and my vision started to go black again. My professor decided to end class, and me and the girl went outside and started to feel better.
playing basketball and went up to get a rebound and came on at an awkward angle on his ankle during a scrimmage.
Carving and taking amalgam out of prepped tooth. Slipped and poked middle finger. Washed it and placed band aid on it.
█ and another participant were live rolling and he went backwards over his ankle and I heard the snap. He stood up and tried to walk it off and quickly realized it wasn't okay. I had him sit down and I asked for his permission to call 911. █ was queasy but he was alert and where the entire time. I called and sat with him and gave 911 our location and what happened. Then we waited for ems to arrive and █ was feeling less sick and more aware by the time they arrived. Then I let EMS take over and they took him to deaconess.
Student was shooting hoops and the basketball hit his eye.
Cut tip of finger
Student was running to first base, jump/extended his stride and landed on his foot wrong. Student said that he landed on it too flat and his ankle went in. The first aid attendant was notified and provided ice for the student. I contacted the student to see how he was doing this morning and heard from him. He informed me what happened. He also stated that he had a friend drive him to Urgent Care later that evening and he has a hairline fracture.
Roommate (did not get name, but a regular customer) of another student (did not get name) approached █ at the Freshens stand in the Union Market around 4pm to state that his roommate had what sounds like symptoms of an anaphylactic reaction to something he ate, which included a Maui Mango smoothie from Freshens. He asked for and we gave him the ingredient information for that drink to take to his roommate who was at the Cheney Rockwood clinic.
At about 7:05 pm, Wednesday, May 11, █ passed █ while she was mopping the hallway floors. Alicia stated that she had placed "Wet Floor" signs at either end of the space where she was working. She said "Hello." as █ was walking down the 3RD floor hallway of Sutton Hall. When █ walked around the corner she slipped on the wet floor and fell. █ did not see the fall but heard the sound of the fall and went to see what happened. She found █ getting up from the floor. █ got up and left the building.
Student was playing basketball in the Fitness Center gym area. While playing basketball he landed on his foot wrong and rolled his ankle.
This student was playing in a flag football game. He was in a full sprint went up to jump for the ball and then landed wrong on the way down. He felt his hamstring pop.
A Chemistry 162 lab student was washing a glass beaker. It slipped out of his hands and shattered. A small shard punctured his right thumb near the base and drew blood. He held the cut under running water and then applied pressure until the bleeding stopped. He then covered the cut with a band aid.