

## **Safety/Energy Committee Minutes Held In-Person; December 19, 2023**

Present: Michelle Sides, Mark Lilley, Adria Henrickson, Jessica Olson, Kristen Stevens, and Mike Hanson.

Absent: Rebecca Chiles, Zachary Hammerle, Mike Komes, Jacquyn Vasquez, Julie Grammer, Janelle Hampton, Beeb Singson, Nora Solvedt, Mike McGlade, Crystal Contreras, and Chelsee Blatner.

Meeting was called to order at 1400 hrs.

### **Trip/Slip Hazards:**

- Valsetz outside elevator recessed sidewalk lights have their lenses broken or missing causing a hole/trip hazard.

### **Tip Hazards:**

- Vick 111 has bookshelf that needs secured to wall.
- Stitch Closet/Food Pantry has shelving that needs secured to wall.

### **Extinguisher Issues:**

- Several buildings or areas not receiving their monthly checks.
- Barnum 1<sup>st</sup> floor, pod C extinguisher has bad seal and needs replaced.

### **Fire Sprinkler Issues:**

- Cedar and Heritage Halls have escutcheons that need pushed flush with ceiling.

### **Fire Alarm Issues:**

- Valsetz fire panel batteries were installed in January 2017 and need replaced.
- Welcome Center barracks/rooms and stairs near elevators missing smoke detectors.

### **Fire Door Issues:**

- Ackerman 1<sup>st</sup> floor Stair 3 door is damaged and does not secure.
- Welcome Center room 136 fire exit door has a toe guard coming off that drags on concrete when opened.

### **Emergency Lighting Issues:**

- Landers Pod 1, first floor; Pod 2, second floor; and Pod 4, second floor have exit signs that need batteries replaced. Pod 3, second floor has a sign that is dim when tested and will need replaced soon. The Landers lounge upper north and lower south emergency lights are not working.

### **Electrical Issues:**

- Barnum light fixtures outside 221, 238, and 240 missing covers.
- Gentle Hall light fixtures missing covers outside 132, 131, 108, and 139.
- Butler Pod B, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> level light fixture on north wall of stairs down to upper lounge landing is missing its cover. Missing other covers near the SW corner of the lounge, outside rms 35 and 21.
- Valsetz light at top of ramp near elevator missing cover with exposed bulbs.
- An office in WC using an orange extension cord for computer.

**Exit Routes:**

- Gentle House south hallway exit next to kitchen blocked by chairs.

**Ceiling Tiles/Holes Needing Closed:**

- Heritage Hall basement mechanical room east wall has two large holes cut out that need closed.
- Barnum Pod B missing covers for exterior laundry vents.
- Spruce Hall, ceiling cracking/bubbling in 3<sup>rd</sup> floor hall.
- Valsetz has large hole in ceiling of first floor men’s restroom and breakroom 105 is missing ceiling tile.
- Vick Room 215 and 121 missing ceiling tiles.
- Welcome Center south stairwell has hole in the wall where the interior door pushed the door stopper through.

**Other:**

- Multiple stress cracks on underside of concrete walkways and concrete beams at Gentle Hall.
- Eyewash in 4<sup>th</sup> Gunn sprinkler mechanical room is expired (April 2022) and needs replaced.
- Sequioa Commons outside west emergency phone tower not working, with no out of order sign.
- Cedar Hall exterior FDC sign (on SE corner of unit) needs raised for visibility.
- Gentle House AED needed new battery pack, replaced 9V in WOU:Salem AED.

**Injury Review:** One in November, and one in December.

<b>Description</b>	<b>Findings</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
The student employee was assisting with baking cookies and while attempting to turn a tray in the oven, a corner of the tray touched and burned their left forearm. They advised that it initially blistered heavily before peeling. They showed me their burn, which was shiny and pink, stating that they had been keeping it covered to avoid infection. The employee treated the burn with lukewarm water and burn cream. They did not seek medical attention and did not miss work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Employee turning bulky baking tray in oven.</li><li>• Corner of tray burned left forearm.</li></ul>	<b><i>Recommendations to Prevent Similar Accidents</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Turn large trays on countertop.</li><li>• Slow down when handling hot trays.</li></ul>
The employee was attempting to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Loosening a tight bolt</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pay attention to</li></ul>

<p>loosen a bolt on a water pump motor with a ratchet. When the bolt freed, their right hand slipped and struck the motor. When the employee removed the nitrile gloves they'd been wearing, they found that they had two superficial cuts on the top of their hand between their forefinger and thumb that bled until later that evening. The employee left work early at approximately 1330 hours, and that evening, their hand swelled and developed bruising on the underside of the wrist. The employee went to the doctor on 12/7/23 where x-rays were taken. They had not broken a bone, but the doctor advised they had jammed ligaments and recommended at least a week of light duty while their hand heals.</p>	<p>on water pump motor with ratcheting wrench.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hand struck motor component when bolt came free.</li> <li>• Wearing black nitrile gloves.</li> </ul>	<p>surroundings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear thicker, mechanical style gloves to protect hands from abrasions.</li> </ul>
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**Energy Conservation Update:**

- None this month

**Round Table:**

- Have a happy (and safe) break!

**Next Meeting:** January 16, 2024, 2pm, in Hamersly Library 205.