

**SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 29, 2009
9:00 A.M. BUS SHOP**

In attendance: Tim Hunter, Supervisor
Claudia Meeks, Dispatcher (secretary)
Don Drescher, PHS
Lewis Lang, Driftwood
Deana Bussmann, Courier/Driver Trainer

1. Call to Order

2. Old Business:

a. SAIF list: administration and safety members Tim Hunter and Claudia Meeks met with SAIF on September 21, 2009 regarding the high incidence of claims by district employees. These claims will have an adverse effect on SAIF payments. The district is working on the goals set by SAIF, and have accomplished most of them.

b. PPE test: OSHA requires custodial staff to have PPE training yearly. This was done at the September 2009 safety meeting. A written test was given to those that attended at the October 2009 meeting.

c. Other: n/a

3. New Business:

a. Update on ODOT regarding PHS intersection: turn lane has been established northbound at Airport Road. Tanya Miller (bus driver) sent a letter to Peter DeFazio regarding this intersection. He contacted ODOT, and they have assured us that they are looking into the safety matter. ODOT was not aware that grade school students begin their day at PHS and middle school students end their day at PHS. This puts the school into a different category for signage, etc. than a full time high school.

b. Fire extinguishers: custodial staff has been advised that fire extinguishers have to be inspected each month and signed off. Also, OSHA requires staff to have fire extinguisher training yearly. We have contacted Wayne Moore (Sixes Fire Chief). He will be scheduling fire extinguisher training at a staff meeting.

c. OSHA Quarterly Inspections: OSHA requires each facility to be inspected by the Safety Committee on a quarterly basis. Inspections were done at both facilities during the month of October.

d. Student Safety Issue: bus stop at Gilman Lane was discussed.

e. Ladder Safety: program has been written regarding ladder safety. All ladders need to be marked to identify each ladder. Each ladder is to then be inspected yearly for safety and signed off per OSHA requirements.

f. Other: Pat Furay of SAIF will be at the November meeting to train the committee on how to investigate accidents.

4. Accidents:

a. Student accidents:

- one student was burned on the arm when a hot plate in welding class fell on his skin. First aid applied by office staff. Cause of accident: not paying attention.
- One student fell from dome at Driftwood playground (bloody nose). Question of whether there is sufficient cushioning under playground equipment. During inspection it was determined that there is enough cushioning material, but the material needs to be raked on a regular basis.
- Student exiting school bus (wet floor) slipped as going down steps and struck back of neck on the stepwell. Student had instrument in one hand, back pack in other hand (not holding hand rail), floor was wet.

b. Employee accidents:

- Employee turned the wrong valve between lagoons and got drenched in semi-treated non-disinfected wastewater. Employee error in turning wrong valve, also broken cap on clean out caused water to spray.
- Employee was playing volleyball during PE class at PHS. Employee pulled something in upper arm socket and felt immediate pain. Is currently in a sling, pending further medical treatment. Much discussion regarding this injury and SAIF claims for employees getting hurt while doing activities not required for their job (basketball, donkey basketball, etc.).

5. Training

Video entitled “Falls in the Workplace” was watched by all employees at Driftwood and Pacific High School. This video, supplied by OSHA, was described as preventing slips and trips in the work place. However, the video was actually a training film on “Falls” program (working from above ground, etc.).

6. Other:

An employee at Driftwood sent a list of safety concerns. They have been noted and will be addressed individually.

7. Adjournment