Health, Safety, and Environmental Subcommittee

Meeting minutes October 5, 2020 (3:30-4:00)

*Committee Members Present*: Gaye Acikdilli (chair), Robert Arndt, Michael Bullard, Charles Chavis, McDuffie Cummings, Rita Hagevik, Mary Ann Jacobs (acting secretary), Claudia Nickolson, Amy Purser

*Committee Members Absent*: Emilia Bak, Melissa McLean

1. Call to Order

*The meeting was called to order at 3:31*

1. Approval of Minutes of the August 31, 2020 meeting. *Announcement was made before the revisions to remove Nathan Thomas from the list of committee members present. Approved without revision.*
2. Approval of Agenda. *Announcement was made to add reports from Michael Bullard, McDuffie Cummings and Melissa McLean. Approved without revision.*
3. *Report from Michael Bullard – our Covid-19 numbers are still good. All faculty and staff are encouraged to maintain vigilance, stay six feet apart, wear a mask when meeting with others. Staff eating lunch with others should be discouraged as staff should take lunch in rotation and not share eating space (time without masks).*
4. *Report from McDuffy Cummings – campus security is working closely with residence hall staff and students to keep gatherings within dorm rooms to a minimum. Campus security is also concerned about recent incidents of speeding on Prospect Road where the campus entry is located. Chief Cummings has requested more patrolling of the area by town police.*
5. Report from Chair

*Concerns about the Spring 2021 schedule (see meeting agenda for Oct 05, 2020).*

1. Old Business

*Covid – 19 dashboard updates*

1. New Business

*Concerns about student compliance with Covid-19 self-reporting. If faculty know of a student who is sick and they worry that the student will not self-report the faculty member can submit a CARE report on that student. Students have a personal responsibility to report their health status, take their temperature regularly, wear a mask, and wash their hands regularly. If faculty or staff have a concern about where to obtain a Covid-19 test, they can call Dr. Crystal Moore 910-521-6219.*

*Dr. Purser shared that she was able to obtain a Covid-19 test delivered to her home and paid for by our state employee health insurance. The company is LabCorp; here is the link:*

*https://www.pixel.labcorp.com/covid-19*

*A motion was made and carried to post the LabCorp information on the UNCP faculty listserv and on the website for Covid-19 information.*

*Discussion about taking every students temperature. Mr. Bullard reminded us that every student was issued a care packet in the Fall and those contain thermometer. Those care packets will be reissued in the Spring 2021.*

*Dr. Acikdilli discusses some of the measures taken at other universities and reported in a recent article. Question from Dr. Acikdilli regarding sidewalks and bike paths from town to campus. For example, there needs to be access from the Thomas HUB to campus. Chief Cummings reported that the town of Pembroke did receive funding for sidewalks from the Food Lion area to campus.*

*There was a short discussion about how faculty should be notified about a student’s return to class from quarantine. Students who have completed their quarantine are given a form from the Student Health center stating that they are able to return to their classes. Students should show their instructors that form once they return to class.*

1. Announcements.

*Please get your flu shot while those are being offered on campus.*

*If you have any safety concerns do not wait until the next HSES meeting, email or call Michael Bullard or Charles Chavis to report your concerns immediately.*

*The next HSES meeting is November 02, 2020.*

1. Adjournment. *The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm*