

**York County Community College
Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2010**

In attendance: Maria Niswonger, Barry Dense, Gerrie Delaney, Ellen Harford, Annette Tanguay, David Susman, Deb Dumond

Recorder: Maria Niswonger

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Maria Niswonger, Chair.

The minutes from the 12/17/09 meeting were reviewed. Gerrie motioned to accept and Annette seconded. All approved.

Today's agenda was approved.

Old Business: The Health and Safety bylaw revisions were discussed for 45 minutes. Topics today included Purpose, Chair duties and Meetings. The revisions will continue at the next meeting.

New Business:

1. The possibility of a Maine Municipal Association risk management presentation was discussed.
Action: Don Ayers will invite John Waterbury, Senior Loss Consultant, to give his presentation to the Health and Safety Committee at the next meeting, February 25, 2010.
2. The YCCC smoking policy was discussed. Many on the committee agree that the policy should be updated. Additionally, signage must be consistent with state law. The committee declined to vote on whether the campus should be smoke-free. Further discussion and planning is needed.

Action: Maria Niswonger will check with Amber Tatnall, President of College Council, about the status of the YCCC smoking policy. Don Ayers has collected data on smoking policies at other Maine community colleges. He will pass along this information to Nancy Drouin.

Announcements:

1. Maria reported that Charlie Lyons agrees that Wellness should be included in the scope of the Health and Safety Committee. The bylaws in current draft form include this function.
2. Ellen said that Paulette is writing a grant to fund First Aid Training.
3. Barry Dense stated that his wife would like to meet with the committee about visual impairment issues on campus. Maria offered her contact information to Barry so this can be scheduled.

Adjournment: Gerrie motioned to end the meeting at 2:15pm. Ellen seconded. All approved.