



Health and Safety Minutes
Wednesday October 4, 2023

Albertville Primary

None

Big Woods

None

Community Education Center

Lisa Becker – Kids Play Coordinator

District Office

Jason Bichler – B&G
Rick Aulwes – B&G
Jeff Blake - Grounds
Glen Ritter – Food Service
Allysen Olinger – Human Resources

St. Michael Elementary

None

Health

Andrea Mischke – District Nurse

High School

Joe Peatrowsky – HS CHO
Lisa Maas - Sped

Fieldstone Elementary

Jeanette Aanerud - Principal

Middle School East

None

Middle School West

Ryan Antony - AD & Dean

Other

Daniel Holcomb - IEA

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Approve April 2023 Meeting Minutes:

- Minutes were approved by the committee.

Review Injury Reports

- Since the beginning of the school year, we had three medical losses (2 lacerations, and 1 contusion).

Old Business

- High School Biology Formaldehyde Sampling
 - We completed our third round of formaldehyde sampling for biology teachers during dissection labs in May. This was our second consecutive sampling period that had results below the action level and short-term exposure limit. Repeat monitoring will be discontinued unless activities increase and ventilation decreases.
- Summer Projects
 - Fieldstone Blue Strobe / Lockdown Updates – Improvements were completed over the summer and everything works great. Fieldstone was the last building to be completed. A lockdown drill occurred last week and everything went great.
 - Pothole Improvements – All parking lots took a beating last year with the harsh winter. The grounds team used a different type of patching this year. Potholes have been filled throughout the district.

- MSE Tennis Courts – The tennis courts were brought to our attention last spring after the thaw. The courts had large cracks throughout that needed repair. We had the cracks filled and patched due to the cost to have further maintenance completed on them. The grounds department may re-coat them next year themselves if time allows.

New Business

- Custodial Training 10/19
 - Training with the custodial and maintenance team on annual OSHA safety training topics. Austin (SRO) training will occur the same day as well.
- Vector Solutions Online Training
 - Training modules have been assigned to various staff groups on hazards in the workplace.
- Playground Inspections
 - Every year, we conduct playground inspections throughout the district. This was completed on 8/7. The reports with corrective actions have been shared with maintenance and grounds and repairs are in progress.
- Radon and Lead-in-Water Projects (AP, BW, MSE, MSW)
 - IEA will be conducting lead-in-water sampling on 11/14 and 11/15. We draw water samples in the early morning before they are used for the day. Our current LIW threshold is 10 ppb. Starting July 1, 2024, MDH has changed the guidance value to 5 ppb (the original value was 20 ppb). We will be using the 5 ppb value for corrective actions and retesting. Radon will be conducted from 12/12 – 12/15. These kits will be hung in occupied spaces below ground or at ground level. 10% of upper rooms will need to be sampled as well. The threshold for remediation and retesting is 4 picocuries per liter. We will be sending out information on these testing's closer to the dates.
- Fire Blanket Training Requirement
 - This is a fire marshal requirement if we maintain these inside the schools. Either we train on them or remove them. A training document will be sent out to science and food service staff on the capabilities and how to use of the fire blankets. This training will be included in the custodial training this month.
- MSE Pool Tank Cleaning Air Monitoring
 - IEA conducted Chlorine Gas monitoring at MSE for a pool operator that cleans the chlorine puck tank with muriatic acid. We wanted to ensure our operators are properly protected with the ventilation offered or if additional PPE and practices are required.
- Hazardous Waste Pick-Up
 - We had a very large waste pick-up over the summer. This included expired hand sanitizer and disinfectant cleaner. This pick-up included materials that have been stored on shelves for a long time (paints, solvents, stains, aerosols, etc.). This helped reduce fire hazards in our building by storing large quantities of flammable liquids.
- SFM Grant – Salt Spreader
 - Every year we submit for grant money up to \$2,000 for improvements from SFM. STMA was approved for assistance in purchasing a new salt spreader.
- SFM Signs- Winter Slip & Fall Safety
 - Signs will be put up. Jason Bichler to reach out to Steve Lichtenberg (SFM) for sign packages for each building.
- Labeling Doors at High School
 - Doors are labeled on the outside of the building. It's difficult to know which door to go out of if the doors aren't labeled from the inside as well. Jason Bichler suggested reaching out to the metal shop instructor to see if they would be willing to take on the project to create signs.

Open Discussion

- Handicap Accessible Door Opener for HS Health Services
 - There currently is no automatic door opener leading into the High School health services office. It can be difficult pushing a wheelchair into the office while holding the door open. The door does have a kickstand but can't be held open for extended periods of time due to security and fire marshal requirements. Jason Bichler will reach out for a cost to install. Jason Bichler will also look at ADA grants that can help assist with the purchase and installation.
- HS Pod Door Security
 - The pod doors for the science/art wing need to be manually closed and locked in case of an emergency. Other pod doors in the school are magnetic and lock automatically in an emergency. Joe Peatrowsky to assist in looking for school safety grants that would help with the purchase and installation.

If you have health and safety questions or suggestions – feel free to contact your buildings safety committee representative!

This is the Next Meeting: 12/6/2023

Location: Middle School West Staff Development Room

Time: 3:30 p.m.