CSUS Executive Safety Committee (ESC)

Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | ZOOM

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION ARE LISTED AT THE END
Note: If you no longer wish to be on the list, please get in touch with Risk Management Services, rms@csus.edu, (916) 278-6119

Call to order: 11:02 AM Gary Rosenblum

Review and approve minutes for November: Approved

Open Forum:

Susan Colley-Monk: Announcement about the second annual carnival event. She wants to make aware of the campus leadership and community that proper reviews and approvals take place in order to have a safe and successful event

Gary Rosenblum: Confirms that the Carnival is returning this year and that Risk Management is aware of the notices. We will follow up to ensure all required documentation is submitted, including insurance and safety plans. Discussions are underway regarding the confirmed location and any potential new rides. The event was successfully managed last year, including the Ferris wheel, and if one is included again, we hope to work with the same vendor.

Old Business:

Update on Scooter Safety Engagement

Yvanne Bolano: An update was provided on campus scooter safety efforts. During the first two weeks of school, staff conducted outreach in pedestrian zones (including the Library Quad and near Riverfront Center), reminding students to walk their scooters and distributing flyers about designated riding areas. While some students complied, many continued riding through pedestrian areas, with about one scooter passing every two minutes at one checkpoint and engagement roughly 50–50.

Since the last report in November, incident reports have increased by 140%, totaling 168 reports. Most issues continue to occur near the library, with new hotspots identified, including Sequoia and the baseball stadium. Twenty-four reported incidents involved scooters, skateboards, or bicycles requiring medical treatment.

Additional signage is being installed, particularly around the library, and the team encouraged continued reporting and community awareness to improve compliance and safety on campus.

Janie Mutchler: Currently, individuals are locking their scooters to the handrails at TSC, along the outdoor stairwell. Often one or two scooters are secured right in the middle of the walkway, creating both a trip hazard and a potential egress issue. The images shown are of scooters locked up near a outdoor staircase

Gary: Current policy prohibits the activity and allows the police department to impound the scooters. Before impounding them, they suggest issuing a warning by attaching a zip-tied tag indicating the scooters are illegally parked and may be impounded. If the behavior continues, the locks would be cut and the scooters impounded.

Jeff Dierking, Brittany Anderson-Steele & Gary:

Discussed an issue with scooters being parked in areas that block emergency exits near the 1001 and 1002 lecture rooms. They noted that the campus Police Department recently created a new tag that can be placed on wheeled devices, such as scooters, giving 72-hour notice before the vehicle can be removed. When police are notified, they will tag the scooter, document it, wait 72 hours, and then remove it if it is still there, like the impounding process for other vehicles on campus. Current concerns that students might simply remove the tag and move their scooters, especially since many of the users appear to be attending general lecture classes and are not easily reachable through NSM departments.

Several potential solutions were suggested to discourage improper parking. These included installing official signage through the campus sign shop indicating that scooters cannot be parked in that area, physically modifying the railings so scooters cannot be locked there, or directing students to nearby designated scooter and bike parking that already has available capacity and charging stations. Another idea was to make announcements in the nearby classrooms warning that improperly parked scooters would be impounded, which might help identify the owners. Ultimately, the group agreed that the immediate step should be to contact campus police so they can tag the scooters that are blocking emergency egress and begin the 72-hour removal process.

Michael Keenan, Jeff, Gary: They discussed scooter accident reports and noted that safety gear, such as helmets, is not currently tracked unless the injured person voluntarily mentions it. Since most reports come from the campus health center and are largely self-reported, this information is usually missing. It was suggested that the accident report form includes a checkbox to record whether safety gear was worn, as this could help with safety analysis. They also discussed promoting helmet use through informational materials and flyers. Additionally, the group mentioned that the campus is reviewing its contract with Lime scooters to include safety requirements, provide riders with a safety card during the rental process, and potentially display campus no-ride zones on the Lime app map. Lime scooters are already geofenced on campus, limiting where they can operate and requiring the company to quickly remove scooters that block walkways.

Annual OSHA 300 Update

Adell Seilbels: Reviewed the 2025 OSHA injury report for campus employees, explaining that incidents are recorded if a workplace event causes or aggravates an injury or illness. The report tracks four categories: medical treatment cases, days away from work, restricted/modified work, and deaths. Data comparing 2024 and 2025 shows the number of cases and days employees were unable to work or had restricted duties, with OSHA capping reported days at 180 per case. Common injuries include strains, bruises, cumulative trauma from repetitive motion, lacerations, slip-and-falls, and fractures, with fractures typically resulting from falls and being the most severe. The speaker emphasized that education and preventive measures are the best way to reduce injuries, noting that 2026 has already started with several serious incidents early in the year.

Gary: workers' compensation cases and OSHA recordable cases are tracked under different rules, so not every worker's comp injury appears on the OSHA log (for example, incidents treated with only first aid). He also noted that the campus workforce is aging on average, which can increase the likelihood of strain-related injuries. The safety team uses injury data from workers' comp and OSHA reports to analyze root causes and conduct job safety reviews with Environmental Health & Safety to help prevent future incidents. He thanked Adele for the report and invited anyone with questions to reach out while the OSHA log remains posted.

EHS – Mold Education Presentation

Tyler: Brief overview of mold awareness and prevention, especially during winter when rain, leaks, and moisture increase the risk. Mold is a common fungus found indoors and outdoors that grows in warm, damp environments on organic materials like wood, carpet, or drywall. It spreads through tiny spores in the air and can cause allergic reactions when inhaled. The most common types include Aspergillus, Penicillium,

Cladosporium, and Stachybotrys. Mold usually takes 24–72 hours to grow after moisture appears, so quick cleanup of leaks or spills is important.

To prevent mold, people should report leaks, keep humidity low, ventilate spaces, clean regularly, and dry wet materials quickly. If mold is suspected on campus, individuals should report it, avoid disturbing it, and allow facilities or safety staff to investigate. The safety team may conduct air sampling or material testing to compare indoor and outdoor mold levels and determine if a problem exists. Clear communication and early detection are key to managing mold safely and preventing health concerns.

IN ATTENDANCE:

*Safety Committee Labor Representatives

Gary Rosenblum, AVP of Risk Management
Yvanne Bolano, ASC II of Risk Management
Troy Bettcher, Senior ELR Specialist
Janie Mutchler, Emergency Manager of Risk Management
Meysee Vang, EH&S Specialist
Adell Seibles, Workers' Compensation Manager
Dania Santos-Cruz, Property Manager of UEI
Earl Gratuito
Behnam Arad, Associate Dean, Professor - Computer Science and Computer Engineering
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Tim Bair, Director of Facilities Operations
Alan Dixon-Hurd, Assistant Director, SSWD Exam Proctoring Services*
Tyler Harris, Director, Environmental Health & Safety
Brent Moffatt, Physical Security & IT Manager of Police Dept.
Susan Colley-Monk, Risk Analyst of Risk Management
Pam Robertson, Women's Health Specialist
Janee' Hardman, Industrial Hygienist of Environmental Health and Safety
Chris Taylor, Associate Dean for Student Success of the College of NSM Deans Office
Jeff Dierking, Director, University Transportation & Parking & Print & Mail Services
Michael Keenan, Special Projects Manager of CEC
Thomas Scarry, Occupational Health and Safety Specialist
Brittany Anderson-Steele, Safety Manager of College of NSM
Samuel N. Jones, Associate Vice President for Campus Life