I. Safety Related Objectives for the Past Year

Strengthen relationship with NSC
The Campus Safety Division [CSD] is also known to the membership as the Campus Safety, Health and Environmental Management Association [CSHEMA]. CSD is one of the newest NSC divisions although the organization has been associated with NSC since 1953 and in 1954 held the first campus safety conference at the University of Illinois. In May of 1997, CSHEMA and NSC entered into an agreement to establish a more formal relationship and this led to the current division status. Since that time and most recently there has been a concerted effort to strengthen this relationship. To facilitate this process CSD holds a spring meeting at the NSC headquarters and during that time the CSD Executive Committee meets with Senior NSC Executive staff to discuss issues of common concern and to better integrate the partnership with NSC into CSD’s strategic plan.

Have a greater voice in legislative affairs
There are a number of legislative issues that impact the campus environmental safety and health community and it is important to our membership that our voices be heard. CSD has a legislative affairs committee that during the past year was headed by John DeLaHunt.

II. Safety Related Activities Conducted During the Past Year

CSHEMA 2000
The 47th international Conference on Campus Safety was held at Stanford University July 16-20, 2000. The program "CSHEMA 2000: Future Vision" was developed to provide our members with cutting-edge developmental opportunities as well as to share a glimpse of what the future portends for the EH&S profession at colleges and universities. Larry Gibbs of Stanford was the Host Committee Chair for this exciting conference. Over twenty-five (25) different Professional development Seminars were offered.

Spring Meeting @ NSC Headquarters
April 13-15, 2000, the Campus Safety Division Executive Committee met at Council
headquarters to plan for the upcoming Stanford Conference and to have an opportunity to meet with Council leadership. The meeting has now become part of the division's calendar.

**Campus Safety Represented at NSC’s Government Day**
Roger Pugh, Chairman of our Division, represented us in Washington, D.C. in April 2000 at a government relations' event arranged by the Council. The purpose of this event was to interact with members of Congress and federal agencies and advocate for issues that are important to our membership and organization.

**NACUBO Chapter on EH&S Published**
The Campus Safety Division was approached by National Association of College and University Business Officers [NACUBO] to participate in the 6th edition of the College and University Administration. Don Robinson from the University of Massachusetts and Matt Finucane from the University of Pennsylvania agreed to assist in this project and others from Campus Safety assisted in writing and reviewing the updated EH&S chapter. The book has been published with Chapter 14 devoted to campus safety.

**Environmental Venue Committee to develop Strategic Plan**
I chaired the Environmental Venue Committee for the Council's Board of Delegates. The Committee decided at Congress that we should meet for at least a day and focus on the development of a strategic plan. Therefore a meeting of this committee to consider how to best serve the mission of the Council took place on April 12, 2000 in Itasca and the results were reported on at Palm Springs, CA.

**CSHEMA Division Listserver continues to be a success**
Dr. Fay Thompson, Director of EH&S, at the University of Minnesota has provided a discussion listserver resource for CSD members. Dr. Thompson authorizes users of this service and this has resulted in a valuable resource to our members.

**III. Safety Related Activities Planned for Next Year**

**Review current structure**
The division plans on reviewing the present organizational structure with the intent of considering various options for increased membership participation and possibly reducing the time it takes to progress through the leadership positions. This will of course need to be done in accordance with Council bylaws and divisional operating procedures.

**Conference at Texas A&M**
The 2001 Conference will be held at Texas A&M University, College Station, TX. The conference planning process is well underway under the able leadership of the Texas A&M EH&S staff.

**Contract for Conference Services**
The division executive committee decided at Stanford that, to relieve some of the pressure placed on the host institution, the division should enter into a three-year contract with a conference service vendor. The University of Utah conference services group assisted in the Stanford conference. Texas is handling the conference
themselves however the proposed contract would be available for conferences for the three subsequent years.

**Benchmarking**

The division has for the past several years has engaged a vendor to carry out a formal benchmarking program. It was decided at Stanford that the current benchmarking program is perhaps too detailed and should be scaled back to reflect the core areas such as salaries, organizational framework and issues of concern.

**Homepage**

The division web page continues to provided a valuable and informative resource to our members. The executive committee decided to increase the funding for this effort and also look to NSC to become more involved in the effort in the future.

**IV. New and Emerging Trends: Future Vision**

The Division has, since 1997, scheduled an "Emerging Issues" forum as a biennial event at the Campus Safety Conference. The process involves bringing together a group of environmental health and safety professionals in advance of the Conference to consider the issues and to present their thoughts to the Conference attendees at a technical session. The emerging issues event was part of the conference held at the University of Wisconsin at Madison in 1999 and is scheduled for the conference to be held at Texas A&M in July of 2001. A comprehensive white paper is issued as a product of this effort. The preface to the Report of the 1999 CSHEMA Emerging Issues Forum contains the following:

> An important function of CSHEMA is to identify emerging issues in health and safety and bring the issues to the attention of the officers and membership of the association. Every two years or so, the conference assembles a group of forward-thinking people to identify the ideas and bring them forward. The previous emerging issues forum was in Salt Lake City in July 1997. The CSHEMA organization looks to the emerging issues forum to identify the issues that seem most likely to affect the work of Environmental Health and Safety over the next 3-5 years. The results of the emerging issues forum will inform the CSHEMA membership and guide strategic planning for the association. A facilitator and reporter assisted in collecting and organizing the information.

**V. Issues of Concern**

**Injury Reporting**

For the past few reports I have cited a concern that colleges and universities do not have an adequate reporting system that accurately and consistently captures student injury and illness experience. It was decided by members of the Council and our Division that we should explore additional methodologies to improve the reporting systems for campus incidents and institute better approaches for analyzing and disseminating information on campus injury and illness experience. Campus safety members, with assistance from Council staff, previously collaborated with the American College Health Association [ACHA] to assess student injury and illness experience and a report of findings was issued but this important data collection and analysis effort has not continued. The Chair of our Division appointed a working group, headed by Jimmy Matthews from Ohio University, to lead this effort and to work with appropriate Council
Fatal Fires on Campus
The incidents of fatal fires in college and university housing are a major concern. January 19, 2000, a fire occurred at Seton Hall University dormitory in which three students died and fifty-four students were injured. On Mother's day 1996 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, a fraternity fire killed five students and injured three. In 1997, only twenty-eight (28) percent of campus building fires occurred in sprinkler protected buildings. I presented a paper at Stanford that described the fire safety improvements at the University of Massachusetts over a twenty three-year period.

EPA continues to target colleges and universities
The enforcement action taken by EPA hit close to home when the University of Massachusetts campus received a multi-media inspection. This is a national trend and Bud Ward from the Council's Environmental Health Center facilitated a session on EPA at the Stanford conference that included Washington, DC based EPA representatives.

Lab Safety Section Future
Web site is: http://www.cshema.labsafety.umaryland.edu
The Lab Safety Section requested that the section status be dissolved and the former lab safety committee within the division be reactivated. Don Clark made this motion at the divisional executive committee at Congress on behalf of the lab safety group. As VP and member of the Board of Directors, I will process this request through the Standards and Procedures Committee of the Council's Board of Delegates at Orlando.

Enhance Collaboration between Divisions
It continues to be clear to me that all twelve divisions have issues in common yet we do very little partnering in addressing these topics. I would suggest that at both the mid-year meeting and at Congress time be provided for the divisional VPs and Chairs to meet and discuss issues of common interest. A special committee has been formed and will meet at Orlando to address the topic of division relations.

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