Safety Committee Minutes 5/22/18

375 Plant Science, 2:00 p.m. Call to order

Attendees: Samantha McConaughy, Betsy Howe, Dan Olson, TJ McAndrew, Kay, McClure-Kelly, Pam Sutton, Amit Jhala, Mike Livingston

1. Fire Drill May 29, 2018 PLSH 9:00 a.m. Please review EAP

   Mike encouraged attendees to remind those people in their areas to review EAP document for rally points and encourage participation in the upcoming drill. Personnel from LFR and UNLPD Emergency Management will likely be in attendance.


   Dan Olson indicated an email notification will be sent out on the day of arrival of inspectors. Review proper disposal methods for used chemicals, ensure proper labelling of chemicals, answer question asked. Email reminder will go out to the Department.


   Mike asked individuals to check project vehicles for First Aid Kits, indicated all Department vehicles had First Aid Kits present. Check the Safety Committee webpage for Keim/Plant Science maps for locations of the AED’s, First Aid Kits, and fire extinguishers.

4. Elizabeth Howe EHS: Vector borne disease and heat stress handouts. UNL EHS Listserv

   Betsy provided handouts to the committee on mosquito/tick bite prevention. She also provided the group with a link to an OSHA phone app that alerted employees/students when high heat indices were occurring. Mike indicated he would send this information out to the Department.

5. Schedule EHS trainings. Fume hood use, hearing conservation, additional topics.

   Most of these training sessions have been held in the past and again will be offered throughout the summer at different times for those new to the Department. Mike indicated he would provide additional laboratory training this summer.


   New signage has been placed at the powered door entrances to the buildings and near the elevators to assist limited mobility individuals with navigating the elevators and floors between Keim and Plant Science Hall.

7. New business, ideas to be addressed. Committee Minutes distributed.

   The idea was discussed to share the minutes of the committee with the Department. The committee indicated that the minutes could be placed on “Box” link on the Safety Committee’s web page. If there was actionable material from the meeting send it out in the form of “Safety Highlights”.

8. Next meeting time

   August 28, 2:00 p.m., 375 Plant Science Hall