Safety Committee Minutes 11/7/18, 2:00 PM 375 Plant Science

Attendees: Samantha McConaughy, Betsy Howe, Dan Olson, Robert Harrison, TJ McAndrew, David Hyten, Pam Sutton, Mike Livingston

1. Review Safety high lights. Chemical waste, battery and bulb disposal, workmans comp claims down.

The Committee discussed this edition of safety high lights. Some of the ideas the group wanted to share with new and existing people in the Department were the locations of disposal receptacles for batteries bulbs, and chemical waste disposal. John Dillingham made note of the fact that workman comp claims were down this year, we hope as a committee this will continue and is due in part to training and awareness to these situations.

2. EHS Listserv update Dan Olson: Cold weather, slips, trips and falls.

Betsy Howe provided the group with handouts from the material that will be included in the next edition of the EHS Listserv. The information was in regards to travelling safely while afoot in wintry conditions and reminded the group if they witnessed any problem areas to call TJ McAndrew at 402 450-6360

3. Stop the Bleed Campaign December 18, 2018 150 Keim hall

Mike encouraged the group the spread the word about this presentation by Bryan Health Trauma Center personnel on Tuesday December 18th at 10:30 in 150 Keim Hall. This presentation is intended to train citizens in the procedures to stop bleeding in trauma cases.

4. Training opportunities for new hires.

The committee discussed ways to ensure new employees, graduate students, and undergrads received adequate, documented training. At present all individuals that receive a paycheck from UNL are required to complete two general online trainings, the injury and illness prevention training and the emergency preparedness training. Betsy Howe suggested the “COMMUNICATION OF WORK AREA SAFETY INFORMATION” SOP. This information will be circulated to committee members and discussed.

https://ehs.unl.edu/sop/s-workareaasafety.pdf

5. Situational Awareness Presentation by UNLPD.

This talk will occur on Wednesday January 9th at 11:00 in 150 Keim Hall. This seminar is presented by UNLPD. “The presentation is designed for faculty and staff, will include information on things to think about and how to protect yourself during what could be a volatile situation. Situational awareness means understanding how information, events and people’s actions will impact an individual’s safety - and possibly their survival."

6. New business, ideas to be addressed

Robert Harrison shared that an accident occurred with an USDA-ARS employee involving a threshing machine. Robert indicated a machine guard would be placed over the area to prevent future incidents.

7. Next meeting time

Wednesday February 6, 2:00, 375 PLSH