

Safety Committee Minutes: Wednesday, March 15th, 2:00 PM, 279M PLSH

Attendees: TJ McAndrew, Kay McClure Kelly, Nathan Palmer, Martha Rowe, Betsy Howe, Larry Harisis, Chris Anuo, Mike Livingston

1) CUSC update and EHS Listserv highlights-Betsy Howe

Betsy H. reviewed the injury/illness report from the CUSC and indicated that in 90% of the eye injuries that occurred the individual was not wearing eye protection. She also reported the majority of falls were from missteps, and not from slick surfaces. Betsy indicated that March is ladder safety month and encouraged personnel to participate in the web-based ladder safety training EHS provides.

2) Slides and recording available for "Situational Awareness." Training available for instructor specific scenarios.

Mike indicated the situational awareness training was recorded and the both the seminar and the Power Point presentation have been distributed to interested individual are available to at the below link.<https://mediahub.unl.edu/media/20514>

3) Lab audit Keim Hall /Plant Sciences Hall overview-Larry Harisis

Larry H. provided an overview of the EHS audits performed of laboratory spaces within the Department. The 2022 audits showed a decrease from the year before and he indicated that the current year audits would continue into November and conclude the year in Keim Hall. Larry indicated that our past EHS building liaison, Dr. Syed Naeem had departed UNL.

4) Chancellors University Safety Committee: Open forum 3/21/23 3:00 PM Bring Safety concerns or issues you may have about the University to this meeting to be held at the EHS training room, 3630 East Campus Loop, or attend via Zoom.

To request a Zoom link please email Betsy Howe at Ehowe2@unl.edu

5) New building alarm system- Alertus and long tornado drill. Conditions for drill
First Wednesday of each month when temperatures are above 32F and skies are clear. If you have downloaded Alertus on your desktop it should appear.

Mike indicated he would send out a reminder before next drill to occur on Wednesday April 5th at 10:15.

6) New Business

Martha R. indicated we are now in a new era of autoclave testing. Nathan indicated he would send info on vials they have utilized for autoclave testing. Records to be kept by BSL holders.

7) Next Meeting time June 14, 2:00 PM , 279M