

Safety Committee Minutes: Wednesday, June 14th, 2:00 PM, 279M PLSH

Attendees: Martha Rowe, David Hyten, Kay McClure-Kelly, Larry Harisis, Mike Livingston, Rebecca Cederberg, Betsy Howe,

1) CUSC update, EHS Listserv topics and distracted driving his-Betsy Howe

Betsy provided a handout from the EHS Listserv on the topic of distracted driving and mentioned the Listserv will not be available this July and August. She also provided an update on progress being made on Alertus and the new VOIP phone system providing updates on hazardous situations on campus.

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

Mike mentioned that the "Situational Awareness" video presentation provided by the UNL Director of Emergency Management is available on media hub for those who might be interested in reviewing the recording.

3) Field safety training resources and conversations-Mike Livingston

Mike provided the committee with a handout of his template for the Virtual Manual comprised of resources provided by EHS with the intention of introducing every employee to the occupational safety and environmental considerations they may be exposed to in both laboratory and field situations. For implementation in your program follow this link

<https://scsapps.unl.edu/VirtualManual/>

4) Worker protection Standards Training online For those individuals that work in ARD greenhouses [Worker Protection Standards Training | Agricultural Research Division \(unl.edu\)](#)
Also see updated information on greenhouse card access. <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/344e170e7aba43e9a530049707fc2f9e>

Mike mentioned the annual Worker Protection Standard Training required for those individuals working in the ARD greenhouses with the links provided above. Mike also mentioned the need to request card access to gain entry to the following greenhouses: AHG3, AHG4, PPG, BEAD. Further information on this can be found in the above link.

5) Workplace Accidents: Reporting an employee injury contact : schistopolskaya2@unl.edu

On the job student injuries SOP <https://ehs.unl.edu/sop/s-injury.pdf>

Reporting an employee injury <https://hr.unl.edu/riskmanagement/workerscomp.shtml/>

The above links are found on the Agronomy and Horticulture Safety Committee page.

6) Eye protection in the field.

Mike mentioned over the past few years some minor eye injuries have occurred and wanted to encourage implementing safety eyewear while in the field. These incidents have been minor and ranged from particulate matter in the eye to pokes from plant stems and leaves. Fischer Scientific has a wide variety of eye protection in both tinted and clear for as little as \$1.57 with many options under \$10 Catalog 19-017-941

7) Next Meeting time

September 13, 2:00 pm PLSH 279M

Note: These are not verbatim minutes. They are a summary of the discussions at the Safety Committee meeting as corrected by those participating.