CAHNRS Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2013

Present
Daniel Edge-Garza, Rick Rupp, Rich Villa, Bruce Davitt, Dory Lohrey-Birch, Sheila Brooks

Approval of Minutes
The approval of the October minutes were delayed until the December meeting.

New Business
Rich Villa reported on the last University safety committee meeting. Highlights:

- Reported on the gas line break at Heald Hall.
- Reported that WSU does not have a protocol for Principal Investigator lab safety training. Such training would need to be implemented by the Dean or Dept. chair.
- The construction crane hovering over the Martin Stadium seats at the last football game was following OSHA regulations.

We held some discussions about the university Emergency Management Plan.

Daniel Edge-Garza presented 3 areas that he felt should be the focus of the safety committee.

- Reporting and communicating safety protocols.
- Following up on safety violations.
- Determining accountability for safety protocols.

We discussed ideas for moving forward with this. Among the ideas presented:

- Training program for PIs.
- Putting faculty members on this committee.
- Establishing a Safety Committee budget for program publicity and to purchase training equipment.

Agenda for Next Meeting
Environmental Health Services will be invited to speak on lab Chemical Hygiene Plans.

Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at noon by Daniel Edge-Garza. The next general meeting will be at 11am on December 10, 2013, in 409 Hulbert Hall.

Minutes submitted by: Richard Rupp