# **CAHNRS College-Level Safety Committee Meeting Notes**

## April 13, 2021

1. Introductions of New Members

Attending – Brent McCann, Kat Odell, Jim Kropf, Herbert Lengel, Michael Chapman, Bill McCrea, Dan Gorton, Deb Pherson, David Gang, Shawn Ringo, Saber Glass, Yvette Anguiano, Jonathan Lomber, Beata Vixie, Jon Schlee, Dixie Kearney

Guest – Trent Amonett

1. Incidents/Injuries
* Food Science - The employee was using the pH meter when his arm touched some powder that was spilled onto the benchtop. Their forearm started to burn and turn red. The employee was taken to the emergency room. Further investigation revealed that the employee did not have permission to be in the lab. Since the employee did not have permission but did have access, this is a safety issue. There is a need to address the poor lab hygiene of not cleaning up the spill. A lab coat as PPE could have mitigated this situation, as well.
* Overall annual incidents and injuries updates 2018 – 2020
Numbers of incidents were up in 2020, which may be because employees are more aware of reporting and that 2020 was a weird year.

EH&S says that it would be good to report near misses and help prevent issues and serve as an alert to other units for areas of concern.

Pushing safety fundamentals helps make our students better hires post-graduation. It gives them additional items to build their resumes. Is it possible to put some of the training into the academic realm? What about adding training information to internship or job search pages?

1. Topics for Discussion
* Any topics passed along to committee members or questions for EHS? Please send any to Dixie (dixie.kearney@wsu.edu).
* Pesticide Accident Prevention Plan Review (any comments?) Ready for posting.
* Lockout/Tagout Accident Prevention Plan Review (any comments?) Ready for posting.
* New APPs for review are:
	+ 1. Blood Borne Pathogens
		2. Shop Safety
		3. Materials Storage

Please get any comments to Dixie.

1. Training - <https://hrs.wsu.edu/training/>
* WSU Online Safety Training – University Laboratory Safety - Analyzing Chemical Hazards
* List of available online safety training that WSU offers through Skillsoft and Blackboard (for students) along with the approximate duration of each training

Remember to take and recommend the required Online Employee Safety Training and any other topics about specific work in your areas.

1. Adjourn

### TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING’S AGENDA

* Safety Reports/Updates
* Safety Training Updates
* Seasonal safety topics