

CAHNRS College-Level Safety Committee Meeting Notes

November 9, 2021

1. Introductions of new members – Matthew McKibbin from EHS filling in for Shawn Ringo today

Attendees: Dixie Kearney, Kat Odell, Bill McCrea, Matthew McKibbin, Deb Pehrson, Teresa VanderPol, Jerry Moreland, David Gang, Jim Kropf, Mike Costa, Jonathan Lomber, Dan Gorton, Michael Chapman

2. Preparing for winter:
 - a. Inclement Weather information, staff and manager training, FAQ's Policies, and WSU Safe Driver road and weather conditions check
<https://hrs.wsu.edu/resources/inclement-weather/>
 - b. Winter PPE – be prepared. Information in the SPPM or talk to your supervisor
 - c. With the time change, it is a good time to change batteries in safety devices, winterize your equipment to avoid breakage.

3. Incidents/Injuries
 - Wenatchee R&E Center - employee was blowing out irrigation lines with an air compressor when a PVC valve station blew apart and struck the shoulder of another employee 15 feet away, causing a welt.
 - Children's Center – employee was moving out of the playhouse when a child was running in, and they bonked heads. First aid (ice) and a trip to Quick Care.

4. Training - <https://hrs.wsu.edu/training/>

Cold Stress - The goal of the course is to create awareness among employees of the hazards inherent to working in cold environments. Additionally, the course identifies the nature, symptoms, and treatment of cold stresses and the precautions employees should take to protect themselves.

It can be a stressful time of year! Consider registering for a training brought to you by the Employee Assistance Program titled, "*Strategies for Stress Management*". It is offered on November 18 from 10 – 11 online. Log in to your training portal at <https://hrs.wsu.edu/training/> to register.

Do you need to update your First Aid/CPR/AED training? It may be time to look into getting recertified.

5. Adjourn

TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

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