

CAHNRS Safety Committee
December 8, 2015

MINUTES (recorded by Jeb Owen)

1. November meeting minutes were approved.
2. Spring semester meeting time set for Wednesdays at 11 am.
3. An AED device will be purchased for the Mount Vernon public space. Budget approval for the maintenance of existing AED units is expected sometime in June 2016. Once approved, FacOps will take over the maintenance of AEDs in the College.
4. Safety management will not be added to the annual review process. Future avenues for focusing faculty/staff attention on safety will be explored. These include:
 - Encouraging regular safety topic discussions at faculty meetings.
 - Using communication channels directly from the Dean.
 - Interfacing with the faculty research advisory committee, or faculty senate.
5. New emergency signage for the classrooms should also be added to Department safety boards.
 - Discussion about obtaining or developing information posters about safely using and disposing of sharps and waste.
6. Effort under consideration to have Department Chairs involved in the CAHNRS Safety Committee.
7. Report from Daniel Edge-Garza on the University Health and Safety Committee:
 - a. There is no policy that mandates personnel not work during closures.
 - b. EH&S will help units manage vacated lab space that may contain materials or equipment of safety concern.
 - c. Investigation continues on the explosion at the TriCities campus.
 - d. WSU was on generator power for 3 days after the windstorm.
8. 2016 agenda items:
 - Meet with Shawn Ringo (EH&S) to discuss building-based safety committees.
 - Develop organizational chart of existing safety committees.
 - Meet with Departments and Units to determine the status and activities of existing safety committees.