

The Evergreen State College

Health and Safety Committee Minutes: December 8th, 2023

Safety Committee Meeting minutes Dec 2023.

Meeting began at 10AM. In attendance: Sina, Taylor, Beth, Daniel, Eric, Jackson, Jason, William, Teresa. New student Rep. Jackson introduction.

(No minutes from last meeting as no recording and my very incomplete notes)

Sina, leading meeting as Chair, asked for Accident Reports: Taylor reported one accident involving foot injury due to falling object.

Sina, Taylor - monitoring updates:

Asbestos testing continues as needed. Getting closer to having staff members trained to manage and work with and in areas containing Asbestos. No cutting into walls without proper testing, approval.

Oil spill in parking lot #4 which resulted in Clean Harbors being called to clean up. Incident a result of auto being worked on and resulting oil spill. No working on cars etc. in unauthorized areas going forward. Training update to be provided in spill management and clean up for staff and crew.

Respiratory Illness, Virus, COVID update in that no uptick in reported cases at this time. Nothing new as far as guidelines, procedures to report. Please take normal precautions, wear masks as needed.

MOLD removal and testing ongoing. Waiting to get test results back before moving ahead with work.

Sub Committee work:

Teresa and Eric working to get new smoking shelters installed. Teresa working on areas near LABs and Organic Farm. Eric looking into location at Sops and Grounds yard. Info to be presented to SLUG in future.

Sina, Taylor working on Lithium battery storage and charging for E Bikes as well as all tools and equipment as we move to electric tools, mowers, vehicles etc.

Safety Concerns and training updates:

Taylor informed group of Jackie's work getting CERT program up and running. CERT training to be offered starting in Feb 2024. Limited to 75 slots. More to come.

Taylor reported many campus users asking for direction to various buildings and areas around campus. Possible need for increased signage and info. William to examine along with leadership group.

Beth brought forward need for Active Shooter Training and review, update for all staff and students.

Taylor mentioned that Jackie is working on this subject currently. To be examined further, more to come.

Taylor led discussion on recent Lift training Pro and Cons. Other areas that need training and best ways to accomplish this.

Taylor asked that any training needs be brought forward so they can be attended too. All work groups, areas, to be included as needed. Noted that there is a Facility safety meeting every Tuesday. Request that agenda be posted so other work groups could possibly be included, request training subjects as needed.

Sina updated group on Stormwater practices, monitoring, clean up etc. This in light of the recent oil spill in lot 4. If you something report it to the EHS office.

Closing discussion about new meeting time and request for input going forward as to rather this works for all.

Additional brief discussion on the importance of Active Shooter training for all campus users.

Meeting closed at 10:50