

The Evergreen State College

Health and Safety Committee Minutes: November 7th, 2025

Safety Committee Meeting Minutes Nov 7th 10AM. CAB- 301

Attendees: Sina Hill, Jackie LaVerne, Taylor Slaughter, Julie Jasperson, Eric Lakewold, Alex Taylor, Tony Perez, Elizabeth McHugh, Teresa Bravenec, Aaron Kruse, Enija Reed, Ahniwa Ferrari, Chelsey Woodland, Daniel Mountain

1. Sina began meeting by asking everyone in attendance to please introduce themselves. Thank you for taking part everyone!
 - a. Sina -Motion to approve last month's minutes. Motion approved.
2. Accident Reports:
 - a. Taylor reported one accident that involved exposure to fiberglass. Reminder to be sure to wear proper clothing, long sleeves and long pants, proper PPE anytime working with fiberglass.
3. Monitoring updates:
 - a. Daniel reported that RAD/Housing doing Good Faith testing in and around dorms and apartments for any dangerous/hazardous materials.
 - b. Taylor mentioned working to get hazardous/disturbed flooring serviced in all needed areas.
 - c. Taylor reported plan to repair walk/driveway between COMM and childcare buildings. Taylor following up with George in facilities.
4. Sub Committee reports:
 - a. Sina asked that anyone who is interested in joining committee working to establish battery charging station(s) please reach out. Ahniwa volunteered to help. Thank you Ahniwa.
 - b. Daniel reviewing possible grants (info as sent by Taylor and Sina) and other possible funding sources to build E Bike charging stations around housing as well upper campus.
 - c. Sina mentioned that she has received notification that college campuses are having battery fires because of charging batteries in dorms, housing units etc. Stresses importance of this issue and developing safe charging areas/stations.
 - d. Ahniwa mentioned the need for secure bike storage area near library which could include charging station.
5. Safety Program updates:
 - a. Taylor said that EHS has increased info tracking, to enhance APP (accident prevention program).
 - b. Sina and Taylor outlined increased effort and programming to ensure that all contractors on campus are held to TESC safety requirements. Detailed and complete pre work checklist filled out by all contractors and reviewed by multiple parties including EHS, project managers, contractor, William Ward. Ability to stop work if contractor(s) not following safety protocols, adhering to safety program. Taylor asked that any campus (employees, students etc.) users please report unsafe work by anyone, contractors etc.
6. Safety Concerns by Area, Training Needs:
 - a. Jackie spoke to the numerous safety training currently taking place and coming up in the future.

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- i. Example being first aid and CPR, opioid overdose prevention and application, fire extinguisher operation, evacuation chair training, HAM radio operation/license training, LSU training, etc.
 - ii. Kitchen operation, cooking, microwave instruction etc. to take place in housing today for students. Intent to cut down on alarms/fire emergencies in RAD. Jackie asked that anyone interested in becoming a trainer (train the trainer) for safety programs, CPR/First aid for example, please reach out.
 - iii. Information about training, schedules, can be found Inside Evergreen currently. Discussion concerning how to get the word out best/better/effectively to all campus users about safety trainings. Use of HSI for staff working from home and on campus. Need to make sure employees are up to date on CERTS such as lifts, motorized equipment, forklifts, flagging etc.
 - b. Eric mentioned the need to eliminate any existing hazards in Custodial closets. Teresa mentioned custodial supervisor Tammy reportedly working on this.
 - c. Elizabeth mentioned importance of getting safety training info out to CRC users/Athletes.
 - d. Taylor inquired about getting a Safety Committee rep from the Tacoma campus ASAP.
 - e. Taylor/Sina spoke about the ongoing maintenance and testing of eye- wash stations and the need/requirements for stations in proximity to caustic chemicals.
 - f. Sina outlined safety improvements planned to crosswalks between F- lot and housing, result of walk through by EHS, facilities managers.
7. Other Safet Concerns/updates:
- a. Taylor mentioned that F-lot emergency phone to be fixed soon
 - b. Ahniwa asked that hazardous ramp/walkway be addressed near loading dock, as well as need for auto- door button/installation.
 - c. Ahniwa mentioned that he could hear the "Big Voice" clearly in his library office during latest alarm testing/drills.
 - d. Eric asked that loading dock area LAB II be kept clear as much as possible and to please follow work order procedure to remove E waste and other materiel. Elizabth asked about best way to ensure that items get disposed of in CRC.
 - e. Taylor - discussion about importance of keeping emergency exits clear and clearly marked.
 - f. All committee members expressed appreciation for each other and for the follow up/effort by EHS office relating to the safety concerns brought to attention each month in this meeting.

Sina brought meeting to an end at 10:50 with a Thank You to all for taking part.

Note... please reach out if there are mistakes or items left out in minutes. Audio was bad, difficult for portion(s) of recording.