

DRAFT CALS Safety Committee Meeting

January 13, 2011

Ag Science Room 62

CALS Safety Committee Members: X Indicates in Attendance

	Drew Dalgetty	X	Thom Koehler		Roy Patten
X	Chris Darby	X	Bob Mahler	X	Craig Robinson
X	Randy Gamble		Mary Matlock	X	George Porter
	Dave Hoadley	X	Sandy McCurdy		Cherryl Sodorff
	Tom Hess	X	Caleb Nindo	X	Donn Thill
X	Ronda Hirnyck		Sam Minnich		Mike Thornton
	Carol Hoffman		Don Morishita	X	Holly Waters
X	Tom Karsky	X	Gordon Murdoch		

The meeting convened at 8:05 a.m.

1. University Safety Committee update:

George Porter summarized that the committee is in the process of drafting an emergency contract policy for laboratories and the draft policy is out for review. He also reported that a non-smoking policy for on-campus has been introduced and will be vetted. Bob Mahler mentioned that a non-smoking policy would be hard to enforce. It was also noted that there are other campuses that have adopted a non-smoking policy. George also reported that A & E Services (facilities management) has been resistant to installing emergency evacuation maps in buildings. The committee's primary goal this year is to promote the completion of the Unit Safety Program element #4, Safety Training. The unit committee representatives have been asked to update the committee on progress that has been made during the past month on item #2 of this element at their upcoming meeting, which is having the University's online safety orientation course, *Safety Matters*, assigned to and completed by unit personnel who have not previously viewed. The next goal of the committee is to ensure a unit-specific safety orientation be provided and documented for all unit personnel. A checklist can be used for this purpose and available for EHS Safety Orientation web page.

2. Update on status NetLearning@uidaho

George announced new safety training opportunities and a listing is available via the Environmental Health and Safety. It was suggested that 5-10 minutes be devoted to introducing the "Safety Matters" training to CALS faculty and staff. It was suggested that time be devoted at the next CALS Leadership meeting to review the training

3. Meeting location

Tom Karsky informed the committee that the next two meetings will be held in CNR Room 14 due to Ag Science Room 62 being unavailable.

4. CALS accident report:

George reviewed accident report. There has been one accident in the last month (injured knee). Overall, the CALS number of incidents is down from last year.

5. CALS Safety Webpage :

Chris Darby volunteered to provide updating information on the committee website.

6. Safety Tip:

George provided a safety tip sheet on carpal tunnel syndrome. Holly will send a copy of the tip sheet to all CALS.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m. and the committee will meet again on February 10th at CNR.