

Safety Committee Minutes

January 24, 2025

Fahy 005 & Zoom

Members Present:

Katherine Kressler, Brian Blenis, Lori Dimmick, Nicole Landis, Roberto Rivera, Alessandra Fanelli, Lindsey Poremba, Brynnmarie Dorsey, Jim Bolton, Traci Gensits, Peter Hancock, Erin Murray, Gary Lieberman, Brett Fulton, Merritt Jacob, Tracey Velekei, Jane Shubert, Brenda Lakis, Kate Shelley, Cooper Mulderry.

Members Absent:

Bridan Fidati, Janelle Haseley, Joe Spirko, Stephanie Flores, Melissa Walsh, Andrew Lentine.

Minutes:

December meeting minutes were approved by Brett Fulton and Gary Lieberman

Accidents & Injuries:

- 0 reported for 2025
- Reminder to encourage any falls or injuries to be reported right away in order to avoid future denial due to timely reporting.

Plant Ops:

- Gay Lieberman plowed but unfortunately did not receive any donuts.
- Roberto Rivera reported that sidewalk snow removal is ongoing to ensure room for handicap equipment.
- Pete Hancock reported on the heat systems. They were not designed for this weather and keeping them going has been a challenge. There were 2 issues with frozen pipes in Mile Houses. Seegers had a frozen pipe burst due to a contractor leaving a door open, no water damage reported. There have been problems with the pumps in Ettinger shutting off, they are now checked daily and reset as needed.
- Erin Murray reported that the Annual Safety Training has been scheduled for 2/21 @ 9:00 am in Fahy 005 or Zoom. Let Erin know if you can't attend as soon as possible. Additional training videos and email blasts are available for use as well.

Around the Horn/Open Session:

- Brynnmarie Dorsey - Seeing cases of Flu, Strep Throat, and other illnesses going around but nothing out of the ordinary.
- Katherine Kressler - Suggested the Safety Committee webpage be updated to reflect new members. Questioned if hood inspections would be taking place, which Brett Fulton confirmed. Also pointed out that she has 4 expired fire extinguishers in the Chemistry lab.
- Merritt Jacob reported that things have been changing for the better at the observatory. Roberto asked to be given a schedule for when people will be going in order to ensure snow removal is done prior.

Upcoming Meetings:

The next meeting is the Annual Safety Training on Friday, Feb 21, 2025 .

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Dimmick