

Safety Committee Notes for December 5, 2007

Members Present; Hollis Lundeen (NMFS) Bill Hanshumaker (Sea Grant, OSU) Rick Brown (NMFS) Randy Walker (HMSC, OSU)
Vlada Gertseva (Housing HMSC, OSU)

Vlada brought a small list of things that need addressing in housing. Raccoons are living in the housing, a light needs to be permanently wired and a night light needs to be installed by the laundry room. Vlada will send a work order to facilities.

Walker gave a debriefing of what happened during the recent storm. There was much confusion around communicating whether HMSC was opened or closed. It is hoped that a protocol will be established for the future.

Hanshumaker told that the aquarist were concerned about the lack of air to the tanks in the West Wing. Walker explained that there was a 15 minute delay in getting the generator started that supplies power to compressors.

Haanshumaker asked that placards and signs be made to indicated dangers of cords that are strung to keep critical equipment running for the next emergency.

Hanshumaker asked that a priority list be made for refrigeration needs in an emergency.

Walker told of the requirements for the Homeland Security Chemical List that came into effect on November 20, 2007.

Walker told about the possibility of each agency on the HMSC campus training a Red Cross instructor. The plan would be to have one agency a month offer the training to all at the HMSC campus. This would be cheaper for all and make it easier for interns, REU students and other short time people working at HMSC to have the training which is required for many of these programs.