

HMSC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Minutes – March 8 2011 Meeting

Attending: Jim Lewis, Janet Webster, Rick Brown, Bob Miller, Kelly Corbett, Russell Haner, Carol Cole

Fire Extinguisher Training

Sixteen people, campus-wide, attended the training, which was successful. Itchung Cheung has requested another training session; details will be provided when this is set up.

First Aid/CPR Training

A session should be scheduled in the near future. Bob noted that everyone in Facilities and several of the night crew should go through this training (or retraining). NOAA MOC-P has a health unit with certified trainers (public health doctors), so it's possible that there would be space for additional HMSC participants when MOC-P training is scheduled for NOAA personnel. Russell will follow up with MOC-P. If non-NOAA personnel will be able to participate, Bob will compile a list of non-NOAA attendees.

Ship Training

A question arose about training for OSU grad students who travel on NOAA ships. NOAA provides a two-day training for volunteers who go out on surveys, and ensures that each "untrained" individual going out on a NOAA vessel receives a short briefing prior to sailing.

Lab Safety Training

Rick will coordinate with Itchung, to set up this training when the REU students arrive in early June.

Emergency Buckets

Bob noted that these are designed for use by individuals who cannot evacuate. There are three buckets to a set, and some of the contents (e.g., flashlights, water purification tablets) have expired. Other items (including food and water) are still viable, expiring in March 2013.

Tsunami Readiness Fair/Road Show

Will be held March 15-17 at five locations in Lincoln County. Kelly reported that ODFW will hold a tsunami drill in March, which has been named Tsunami Awareness Month.

Confined Space Training

The fire department should provide annual training, but we haven't received such training for several years. Confined spaces include the reservoir, some of the vaults, and a portion of the new chlorine system. Bob will follow up on this.

#### AED Units

Bob reported that new batteries have been ordered.

#### Miscellaneous discussions:

Dates for the halibut openers: Kelly will provide those dates when they've been firmed up.

Bike/pedestrian path: Broken glass, still remaining from Seafood and Wine Festival. The city will be contacted, given this is a safety issue.

New path to Visitors Center: The walkway between Marine Science Drive and the entrance to the Visitors Center has been completed.

Speed limits/signs on Marine Science Drive: What is the speed limit? Will signs be posted? Questions arose re other signs, including one that was scheduled to be replaced. Jim will check with Tim Gross.

Traffic pattern by back gate: The "Stop" sign should be repositioned. Perhaps a "Yield" sign should be installed beyond the gate. Speed bumps were suggested, along with refreshing the marking. The sign that had been there has been replaced several times. Suggestion was made that perhaps the group that was studying campus traffic patterns could look at this and make suggestions.

Gate by student housing: Is currently not locked. Should it be locked, since it's been opened (and left open) several times recently? Federal agencies and others view the closed or locked gate as providing some security, as it does limit entrance and exit after hours. In a Nearshore event following a major earthquake, roads would not be drivable, so vehicles would not be used – pedestrians can easily walk around the gate when evacuating campus.