ACC Science Safety Committee
Minutes from the meeting of March 28, 2008

Attending: Debbie Sackett, Chair and Chemistry Safety Coordinator; Bob Blodgett, Physical Sciences Safety Coordinator; Sarah Strong, Biology Safety Coordinator; Charles Freeman, Lab Technician, Jeff Allison, Chemistry Professor

1. Change in Safety Coordinators:

   Bob created a schedule of activities for his replacement as Physical Sciences Safety Coordinator.

2. Eyewash/CYP

   Charles has submitted a work order for an eyewash basin that is not draining properly but there has been no corrective action yet.

3. First Aid Kits

   Charles needs 3 new first aid kits for CYP lab classrooms (2208, 2212, 2238). He was advised to request them from EHS.

4. Lab Self Inspection

   Bob will make these corrections to the form:
   a. We need to add first aid kits.
   b. There is an error in the maximum volume under flammable materials—it should be 20 gallons.
   c. The link to the incompatible chemicals list is not correct.

5. Incident at CYP

   Sulfur fumes in a CYP classroom led to the discovery that the ventilation system in a Physical Sciences lab was shut off due to excessive noise. Bob will ask Jeff Bechtold to investigate the problem.

6. Field Activities

   a. Bob has created a form to be used as a passenger manifest for field trips. This form will be finalized just before the trip leaves and sent to Campus Police Dispatch.
   b. Bob will ask Chief Waller to approve a test of this system for Bob’s next field trip.
7. Syllabus OSD Statement
   
a. The committee discussed a generic statement that might be used in all science syllabi, or maybe just in biology and geology syllabi. "In this course you will use chemicals, use biohazards, or perform strenuous physical activity outside the building.

b. The safety statement currently required for syllabi is redundant because it also appears on the "Student Safety Rules and Information" form used during beginning-of-semester safety training. It was suggested that we leave the statement out of syllabi unless the course has a lab or field component.

This discussion was tabled and will be continued at the next meeting.

8. Safety Training for New Faculty and Lab Techs
   
a. We will ask Ken Hoffmann to do Basic HazCom on May 22 from 6 to 7 pm.

b. Department-specific Hazcom will occur afterwards, from 7 to 9 pm.

9. Hazardous Waste Training
   
   The Science Safety Committee is concerned that this training is not being offered by EHS and we need it for new lab techs.

10. Next Meeting
    
    We will meet on Friday April 25 at 1 pm at RGC.
    The agenda will include
    a. new Hazcom quizzes
    b. lab self-inspection results