

**Safety Committee Meeting
Whitman College
May 14, 2021, at 1:00 pm**

Present: Elliot Broze, Stephen Davis, John Eckel, Kendra Golden, Bryan Lubbers,
John Hopkins (Chr), Kathleen Hutchison (Sec), Fred Miller, Andrew Somoskey

Absent: Tony Ichsan, Telara McCullough, Jolene Rodriguez

Approval of Minutes

3/12/2021 meeting minutes approved. Posted on the Safety Committee webpage -
<https://www.whitman.edu/environmental-health-and-safety/safety-committee>.

Welcome to Andrew Somoskey as new committee member from Fouts Center.

OLD BUSINESS

Disaster-preparedness plan for Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC):

Kendra Golden requested status of ceiling repair in Science Hall's animal room, status of alarm system upgrade in Maxey Hall, and status of a uniform response for animal care and safety in case of disaster/emergency. John Hopkins will follow up with Randy Coleman on work request for ceiling in Science's animal room. John has communicated to appropriate staff in Maxey Hall about summer plans to update alarm system in Maxey-West. Fred Miller has contacted WSU Veterinary School in Pullman WA about emergency services, and requested information about cost and services provided.

Emergency Information flyers:

Fred Miller has received printed flyers, and will have student employee replace flyers around campus.

Commencement Plans:

John Hopkins shared preparation plans for graduation which will be in-person for graduates only (no faculty, parents, etc.). There will be roped off areas/zones, and security will be present. Signage will be posted that campus is closed around the graduation area, and the section of Boyer will be closed off as in past years. The graduates will be socially separated, their will be five people on the stage, and a photographer will be taking pictures of each graduate as they receive certificate. Kendra reports that the Provost and Dean of Faculty office is fine tuning the actual movement of graduates through the process to ensure compliance of pandemic protocols.

Fire/Emergency building evacuations:

Stephen continues to document building evacuations.

NEW BUSINESS

- Fred Miller reports no employee accidents or injuries since last meeting.
- Human Resources has posted the open position for Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator.
- Review of the Accident Prevention Plan is on the agenda for future meetings.

Next meeting is scheduled Friday, June 11, at 11:00 am via Zoom.