## Safety Committee Meeting Whitman College January 20, 2023, at 11:00 am

**Present:** John Eckel, John Hopkins, Kathleen Hutchison, Tony Ichsan, Helen Kim, Telara McCullough,

Glen Naumann, Jolene Rodriguez

**Absent:** Greg Powell, Bryan Lubbers, Benjamin Selby

**Members:** John Eckel OP, Sherwood, BFFC, Summer Dance Lab

John Hopkins Facilities Operations
Kathleen Hutchison Division I, Penrose Library
Tony Ichsan Employer Representative

Helen Kim Faculty

Bryan Lubbers Division II, WCTS, Hunter Telara McCullough Employer Representative

Glendon Naumann Environmental Health & Safety Coordinator

Gregory Powell Memorial, Penrose House, Security

Jolene Rodriguez Welty Center

Benjamin Selby HJT, Music, Sheehan Gallery, Visual Arts

**Division III Sciences** 

## **Approval of Minutes**

11/11/2022 meeting minutes were approved with no corrections.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Review of Hazardous Communication Program and the Chemical Hygiene Plan: Glen has made notes and would like to review with John and Tony, then prepare updates for all to review next meeting via Google Docs. John will have the new committee member for Hall of Science review these as well.
- John Eckel visited with athletic department and the decision was made to keep the goal posts on Baker Field with repair as needed. The sled on railroad tracks will be disposed of since no High Schools in the area want it.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Safety concern Pockets of darkness around campus.
  - o A professor emailed Glen with concern for student's safety due to lack of lighting around campus (particularly around Memorial, and corners of Park and Boyer street).
  - o WW city requirement for lighting along sidewalks is minimal.
  - The security and facility director do walk the campus annually to review security and lighting needs. Tony acknowledged it may need to be done more often. Facility staff do address issues as they arise. Custodial staff walk the campus in the dark and they would be a good source to watch for issues.
  - o Facilities staff are mindful of "dark sky" in the development of outdoor lighting standards on campus.
- Safety concern Tree debris/acorns need to be cleaned from walkways

  This is most problematic in the autumn, and especially in the darkness. This is a challenge for Grounds staff, but Tony will continue to emphasize importance of staying on top of it.
- Glen reports there were no accidents on campus since last meeting.

**Next meeting** is scheduled Friday, February 24, 2023 at 11:00 am via Zoom.