



SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

Chemical Hygiene Meeting

December 17, 2021

11 am - 12 pm

via Zoom

Present: Adrienne Betty, Cecilia Contreras Martinez, Alyssa Barbosa, Sam Hammond, Jennifer Wachholz

Chemical Inventory Update:

VelocityEHS does provide a system to track chemical inventory and only the application will need to be downloaded. No other device is needed. This service is free to us. Cecilia Contreras Martinez and Adrienne Betty walked through the step by step instructions and there were no issues and it took less than two minutes to complete. It was shared that we will start to use this system moving forward for chemical inventory. It was suggested to set a weekly goal for entering inventory as we would like this completed by the next annual lab safety inspection in June.

SBCC is limited to the number of users who can enter chemical information into the system. The group was asked if all lab technicians need to add chemicals to the system because there will be a cost associated with adding more users. The group was asked to send Adrienne a list of the employee names who need to enter chemical inventory. The group asked to have the custom field sections changed to *course* and *laboratory*. Jennifer also asked to be sent her user profile information for VelocityEHS.

Student Laboratory Safety Contract:

The department chairs weren't present at the November meeting and didn't get an opportunity to hear the responses from the October meeting questions and that was the reason for this agenda item in December as well. Adrienne will reach out to the department chairs to make them aware of the responses from the October meeting questions.

Chemical Spill Kits:

A link to a chemical spill kit was sent to all of the laboratory technicians for their review and feedback in October. The feedback was positive and they would like to move forward with [this option](#). Tracy Reynolds mentioned we need something that includes items to deal with

organics/solvents for the O-Chem lab as well as her lab. We are reaching out to the supplier to confirm the option selected will work with organics and solvents as it's our understanding it will.

Fume Hood Certification:

The idea is to get all fume hoods on the same recertification cycle. Currently, all the fume hoods across campus expire at three different times throughout the year. The next fume hood will expire in June so it was presented to the group to recertify all hoods in June every year. The group all agreed this would be a good time of year to conduct the recertification.

Hazardous Waste:

The next hazardous waste pick up will be on Jan 7, 2022 .

QUERIES PRESENTED DURING MEETING:

Does F&O staff have training on the chemical hygiene plan? The concern is custodians eating in laboratory areas and items being moved around.

There is no protocol in place for chemical spills greater than one liter. The group would like to know what the protocol should be.

Cecelia is looking for a testing kit to assist with the shower station inspections. Tracy wasn't present for the meeting but Cecelia was referred to speak with her as she uses one.