

Chemical Hygiene Committee Meeting

October 7, 2025

Attendees: Paige Gyldersleve, Steve Ballew, Spencer Corbin Lawson, Melissa Duke, Mari Almquist, Ben Kumler, Eric Keeling, Samantha Fancher, Evelyn Prater and Linda Fergusson-Kolmes
Agenda

Old business

Waste reduction strategies (Any updates?)

Initial strategies from last Meeting discussion

- Curriculum
 - Getting SY and RC on board with microscale-chemistry-need to have a SAC
- Inventory Management
 - Get rid of old expired chemicals (RC Plus purges lab every summer) CA Phys did a big purge of chemicals two summers ago, RC Life Sci needs to purge its dyes and stains that are not needed.
 - What are other campuses ways of maintaining inventory:
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 - Think about ordering practices
- Data to be delivered
- To be continued summer project (Any updates?)

Access Issues for ISTs (Updates?)

Where do we need keys or badges for ISTs to improve safety

SE SCOM access to DI water system

Still need the key for the water system

RC 7 first floor access to stairwell in prep area

Melissa's Key now works

Reiterate the request the request for the key Paige **(did this work?) No**

Hayley Farm manager needs access through back door

For emergency access (needs keys and badge access)

Get me the numbers and rooms

CA Electrical Cabinet to breakers in JH (220? (just down from Spencer's office)

Ben needs one still (update?) not needed

Check in with Spencer (try and get one-FMS said no last time)

RC 7 Alarm Issue (Updates?)

ESR storage space

There was follow-up. What is the status. **Response time is better**

Fume hood inspection Updates?

SY one of the hoods in the biology space that didn't certify again
Brought in a third party to look at it
Evelyn will continue to work with maintenance to fix it (**is this fixed?**)

CA: a long running concern (**next steps?**)
Have had conversations about what would be needed to cut them off
It might be to the point that those fans and motors are aging out

Still on Evelyn's to do list
SY will need an outside contractor
CA is a building wide concern

Follow up: Linda, Dan, Evelyn and Larry Osborn
May go on the P&CC project list

RC hoods; two rooms will be remodeled and construction start Fall 2027
Julie Yeager Walker point of contact
Design development starting now (Updates?)

Losing labs spring and summer 2026
Plans will be reviewed Oct 16, 2025

Biological Safety cabinet inspections

- Inspections completed
- Need to budget for and put in PO-spring

The safety training for new employees and what it covers and what it does not cover

Part of the new employee onboarding in the current MyCareer@pcc.edu
Foundational overview
Hazard Communication
Portable Fire Extinguisher training
Hazardous Waste Regulation
Have not updated the abbreviated refresher courses for Hazard comm and Hazardous waste regulation

Annual Training

- Chemistry and Life Science had in-person trainings

Styrofoam Recycling Updates

- Liliya started a conversation with Central Distribution

New Business

Online Safety training

- Now in Workday
- Records have been captured for MyCareer@PCC
- Preview how to find My Learning
- What about students not in Workday
 - Evelyn Prater will follow up (volunteers etc)

Lab Inspections:

Update:

Everyone's spaces looked good-a couple of locations where container labels faded, especially with secondary containment

Workspaces looked clean and organized

Spill response and extra PPE was accessible

Keep up with the labelling

Fire Evacuation Exercises Message from Lorraine Churchill

- Fire Evacuation Exercises will occur each Fall and each Spring term, as a normal standard.
- We'll **launch** with our **Centers the week of 13 October** and will **continue exercises** over the following weeks. We'll exercise a morning and an evening fire evacuation just like last time at locations with morning and evening community. If there are no evening activities, there will be no evening exercise.
- We're double-checking now, and once our campus dates are confirmed we'll share out a summary schedule to
- help communicate the how and when we'll conduct the exercises through the district.

- We are also exercising and growing use and knowledge of the **Evacuation Check-In**



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