5-1-25 Safety Committee Minutes

Review of Previous minutes

* Discussion on near miss and improper waste handling
* Safety deputy applications
* All door postings need to be updated
* Issue with unauthorized lab access
* ISP inspections deadline is in June, self-audits due to Aaron by end of April

New Business

* Near miss: PPE in public spaces
  + Researcher was wearing gloves when at the drinking fountain
  + Unknown if the gloves were contaminated
* Follow up needed on lithium-ion battery box collection for disposal
  + Determine who is in charge of keeping up on its capacity and shipping for disposal
* Grad student safety deputy email has been sent
  + Applications are open
  + Position requires only 1-2 hours a month
* Door postings need to be updated with current contact information
  + Particularly, having Aaron’s contact information under building deputy
* ISP Self-Inspections are past due
  + Only two have been submitted so far
  + Send email to safety committee list
* Incident reported: door to 3054 was propped open
  + This allows for unauthorized lab access
  + All doors requiring swipe access should remain closed at all times
* Discussion on proper glove PPE
  + For example, nitrile may not protect adequately from abrasion
* Proposition to put up additional mental health awareness posters or displays
* More information on autoclave use, function, and maintenance would be ideal for the building
  + Does anyone know any autoclave experts?
  + Perhaps regular autoclave inspections are in order
* Gas cylinder storage area is completely full

Other Business

* Reminder to flush eyewash stations weekly and to wear appropriate PPE
* 6 in attendance