**Safety Committee Report**

January 2023

Members: Becky Dueck (chair), Ralph Kowatsch, Candace Ellis, Parneet Toora, Justice Zhanda, , Lauren Gislason

Harmeet Chawla will replace Claudio Stasolla while he is on sabbatical starting Jan 2023.

We held several in person meetings for planning Safety Seminar and working on ongoing projects.

**Ongoing Projects:**

* Safety Training 2023
  + Ralph, Jason Bourcier (Operations manager at Glenlea Research Station) and Robert Currie (Entomology) meeting about joint Safety Seminar 2023 since we cover many of the same topics.
  + Safety Training 2023 will be in person, May 1. Location Rm 290 Education Building.
  + Topics will be similar to past, but tailored to all dept. Specific training will still be done by individual groups.
    - Biosecurity, payrole, sexual harassment awareness, general safety
    - Special topic – Insect Stings by Rob Currie
    - Adding incident reporting, safety app
* Compressed Gas cylinder storage – EHSO involved in finding a suitable location – timeline 7-8 months, still waiting for a response.
* Soil Elevator – physical plant is talking with contractors regarding price since price has increased and it took 2 years to get to it. Meanwhile soil is still being brought in with bulk bags.
* Sent info out to everyone
  + Lab inventory requirements – list of chemicals, SDS requirements
  + Safety App available
* First Aid and CPR training – one session offered Dec 21. Still more people waiting for additional training times.
* Building security. Ongoing discussion about what can be done to improve security after hours in our buildings. Discussions include locking up earlier, internal doors to lock to different areas (stairwells).