Safety Committee Meeting
December 16, 2010

Present: Brad Avenia, Mary Call, Leigh Hickman, Kim Knox, Karen Langille, Doug Lear, Sandy Pyer, Vicky Rank, Kelley Wickman

Absent: Carole Brasili, Sue Connors, Jayson King, Barbara Peloquin, Roland Pillsbury, Lee Potter, Bob St. Jean

The CPR/AED training will take place as scheduled because Karen already has seven individuals signed up for the course. The date for training will be January 12th.

At the January meeting Karen will have a report of all the Worker’s Comp injuries for the entire year. She is happy to let us know that we have reduced injuries from the prior year. She had only two injuries to report this month. A slip and fall occurred at the Concord Campus Center. The area was inspected immediately by the individual’s supervisor and no corrective measures were needed. There was also an incident with a student worker that tried lifting a heavy object that came down hard on his hand. In the future that individual has been instructed to wear gloves and use a dolly or hand-truck to prevent this from happening again. A discussion around back belts occurred and Doug stated that they give an individual a false sense of security/strength. It is better to employ safe lifting practices than to rely on the belts. Only individuals that have been instructed to use them from their doctors currently do so.

Leigh said he saw two students walking on the thin ice on Pearly Pond. He stated Campus Safety spoke to the individuals. Shortly after this occurrence, a general email was sent notifying the community about proper ice safety. Leigh said he would like to see the same guidelines for ice safety that the NH Dept. of Fish and Game uses. It would be more educational than what we currently use.

Brad reported that the No Parking Signs have been removed near Lakeside. Mary said she would inform Res Life folks of this so they can keep a look out for them when they inspect student residences for the break.

Kim informed everyone that the front light in the upper Campus Center is out. One of the workers slipped on some ice because she couldn’t see it in the dark. Doug stated it is on the repair list.

Mary reported that the non-slip strips are coming up the walkway near the Campus Center.

Vicky passed along an FYI that there will no longer be a student directory. This practice has been abandoned because students are no longer required to have phones in their rooms.

Doug reported that there will be a test of the new generator tomorrow morning in the Campus Center. This will enable staff to identify power sources that need to be on in an emergency. He also stated that he is working with Ken Ervin of Res Life concerning the
protocols for moving and housing students should there be an extended power outage. With the Campus Center’s generator coming online, it relieves some of the pressure off the Bubble housing students. Doug stated he still has the option of renting a large generator from an outside vendor for emergencies. In the past he used the rented machine for the Campus Center. Now he will use this to power up Marcuella. In the past, experiments have gone bad with power outages and this would prevent that from happening. Doug has placed in his Capital Budget request permanent generators for Marcucella and the Fieldhouse.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Vicky Rank

**Schedule of Meetings:**

- January 20
- February 17
- March 17
- April 21
- May 19
- June 16

(All meetings are scheduled from 1-2pm in Petrocelli Room 115)