



**Laboratory Safety Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**  
**SU 362**

**Attendance (in person):**

Member	Department	Pres.	Abs.	Member	Department	Pres.	Abs.
Doug Aaron	MAE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Savannah Jobkar	BESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Allen	TCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Kirkpatrick	Art (3D)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Barnhart	EHS (ENV)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mariano Labrador	BCMB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bernard Asare Bediako	CRC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grace Loy	IAMM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pamela Andrews	KRSS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Elysia Mann	Art (2D)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Blum	CAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bob Martin	EECS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jaime Call	EEPS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kristen Massey	ORIED	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
James Cantu	EHS (OHRM)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brandon Matheny	EEB	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Christine Cheney	Physics & Astronomy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Mobley	<b>Chair:</b> CEE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew Cothrine	MSE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katie Morgan	Nursing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Steve Crouch	UTIA Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Morris	<b>VC:</b> IAMM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paul Dalhaimer	CBE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scott Moser	EHS (Chem)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ampofo Darko	Chem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tern Nalaoh	Chemistry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brad Day	ORIED	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carla Nocheseda	MSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emily Deem	EHS (RAS)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian Payne	EHS (OSEF)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Denavit	CEE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacob Payne	UTIA Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shawn Drake	EHS (Rad)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Ranger	EHS (Director)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bill Dunne	TCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Ratliff	NucEng.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Ferris/ Melissa Weaver	GSM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Darcy Rathjen/ Jaydeep Kolape	ORIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jason Fogarty	Theatre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Rials	UTIA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Adrian Gonzalez	CEE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ricky Rutherford	EHS (IWS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bryan Good	BE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anujit Sarkar	Nursing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linsey Graff	Provost	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kalynn Schulz	Psychology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Linda Hamilton	EHS (PEACE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsha Smith	EHS (RAS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Terry Hazen	CEE/EEPS/Micro	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Timothy Sparer/ Jill Mikucki	Microbio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill Hicks	ISE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Taylor	Facilities Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sally Horn/ Luke Blentlinger	Geography	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Daniel Thomas	EHS (BIO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Randy Huelsman	Facilities Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geoff Woolard	EHS (FLS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bill Hutchins	Facilities Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ling Zhao	Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Anneke Janzen	Anthropology	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				

**Other Guests:      Department**

Zack Roach	EHS
Ryan Setzer	EHS
Shannon Llyod	EHS

**Agenda:**

- I. Opening Welcome!
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Safety Culture Minute
- IV. Committee Reports
  - a. Lab Safety Culture Awards (Carter)
  - b. Institutional Biosafety Committee (Thomas)
- V. Special Topic Discussion
  - a. Angie Robinette – UT Risk Management (CorVel)
  - b. Incident Response Tools (Hamilton)
  - c. Lab Safety Awareness Week breakout session (postponed)
- VI. Incidents/Concerns
- VII. RAS updates (Moser)
- VIII. Items from the floor
- IX. Next meeting November 13, 2025

**Attachments and References:**

- Agenda
- September LSC Meeting Minutes

**Topic Summaries:****I. Introductions/Opening**

The LSC Chair, Dr. Sarah Mobley, opened the meeting.

**II. Approve Minutes from Last Meeting** (September 11, 2025)

The minutes from 9/11/2025 were approved.

**III. Safety Culture Minute**

For this month's Safety Culture Minute, the LSC is spotlighting LSAs as a way to broaden the network between LSAs and recognize their hard work. Bob Martin, the Infrastructure Manager for Min Kao building, is October's LSA Spotlight. Bob supports multiple groups including EECS, CURENT, and MAE. The primary hazards Bob faces fall into the categories of electrical, mechanical (such as robotics and power tools), and chemical. Bob stresses the importance of doing physical walkthroughs of lab spaces to assess the hazards. Bob also recognizes the importance of having faculty support when trying to promote safety.

**IV. Special Topic Discussion**

CorVel – UT Risk Management – Angie Robinette, Workers' Compensation Program Manager, gave an overview of the incident reporting process at UT, primarily focused on work-related injuries for employees. For non-life-threatening injuries/exposures, the process begins by reporting to the supervisor and CorVel prior to seeking treatment. CorVel will instruct the injured employee on where to go for treatment. An On-the-Job Injury Report must be completed by the employee. The supervisor also submits a written statement. The supervisor is responsible for following up with the employee and Risk Management. The LSC is encouraged to reach out to Risk Management ahead of time with questions about incident reporting.

Incident Response Tools – Linda Hamilton shared that the EHS webpage on Incident Reporting has been updated. It now includes clearer information about on-the-job injuries, general liability, and Student Health instructions for eligible non-employee students. Pocket cards have been created that contain a QR code for reporting instructions and a place to record a supplied report number from CorVel.

**V. Committee Reports**

Lab Safety Culture Awards – Carolina Carter shared that the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter category is still open and accepting submissions. The Annual Lab Safety Culture Awards Dinner will take place in December. Details are forthcoming.

Institutional Biosafety Committee – Daniel Thomas shared an update from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) regarding biosafety. The NIH has launched an Initiative to Modernize and Strengthen Biosafety Oversight, which will involve a review of the current Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA Molecules. The NIH will host regional listening sessions during which they will gather feedback from the public. Those interested in sharing their thoughts are encouraged to reach out to Daniel. EHS-Biosafety will keep those affected updated with changes.

**VI. RAS Updates**

Scott Moser shared that the door placards are still under discussion and will be shared with the LSC next month.

**VII. Incidents/Concerns**

There have been no incidents or injuries reported since the last LSC meeting.

**VIII. Next Meeting**

Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, from 1:30pm – 3:00pm EST in SU 362.

[Meeting Adjourned by the Chair]