

Physics and Astronomy Safety Committee, January 29, 2026

Attendance: Malis, Li, Zhu, Schmitter, Chmiel, Fross, Robison

Agenda

1. Updates since last meeting / Announcements
 - Eye Wash and Safety Shower testing requirements - Keith
 - EHS procedure for cleaning BSL-2 labs (see below)
 - Lab Safety Awareness Week, Feb 9-13
 1. <https://www.purdue.edu/operations/blog/2026/01/21/a-guide-to-lab-safety-awareness-week-for-lab-personnel/>
 2. Features include downloadable flyers, Bingo card, and PPE reminders
 - An updated Self-Audit form will be used for 2026-2027, it has substantial revisions
2. Near Miss or First Report of Injury, if any
3. **Review ISP process**
 - Meeting set for February 11
 - Committee inspections complete and abatement submitted to Pls
 - EHS building inspection abatement completed
 - Final ISP paperwork submitted to EHS
 - o EHS reviewed and sent us abatement list
 - o Currently working through abatement corrections
 - Possible lab tours on February 11 – new labs since last year

4. Brainstorm and discuss future goals

- Finish transition to H.S.I. online training
- Update Phys/Astro safety webpages – primary reason is discontinuing current online safety training and replace with H.S.I. portal
- Establish safety station in attic with head lamps, pallet jack, flashlights, dust mask, furniture dollies, gloves, and safety glasses
- Clear hazmat
- Continue attic surplus effort
- Electronics shop cleaning

5. Old/New business

- H.S.I. online training groups created – Ava
- Assigning people and training to each group – Ava
- Training progress reports by PI – Ava

6. Other business

7. Next Meeting, Feb 11, annual ISP indemnification meeting