

### Safety in the Workplace Committee Annual Report 2008-2009

Consistent with the work of previous years', the Safety in the Workplace Committee met six times during the 2008-2009 academic year. Assisting the Committee's work was a number of subcommittees who also met to prepare issues and recommendations for full Committee review. Additionally as part of its standing work, the Committee reviewed a number of quarterly, biannual and annual department and program reports to identify trends, potential safety issues and emerging challenges and opportunities.

A summary of the Committees' wohlks year is as follows:

#### I. Workplace Accident Reduction:

Several initiatives were undertaken this year as it relate

established for the non academic areas of the campus and will be accomplished by department directors using an online tool developed for this purpose. A 'Train the Trainer' session was developed and presented in January 09, and the program implemented shortly after.

### **III. Chemical Inventory Automation:**

A comprehensive report on the status of this project was requested as a result of questions and concerns expressed by committee members on the pace of progress and a lack of understanding of what the obstacles were.

It was clarified that limitations of the system that differed from our original understanding required some modification to meet the College's varied needs. The original intent to use bar coding in all department

# V. Departmental Reporting

The Committee also reviewed the following departmental reports:

# **Dining Services**

Dining Services reported very favorable trendingcident reduction, discussed a focus on safety awareness training, reviewed the results of a recedent survey, and reviewed the departmental goals