

Committee on Chemical Safety
Resources Subcommittee
August 17, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Elise Ann Brown, Ellen E. Burns, Daniel P. McDonald, Rubye Torrey, and Jay Young. Members absent: Darrell Watson.

The committee discussed the draft version of the safety guide for introductory chemistry students submitted by Steve Sichak and revision that had been prepared by Dan McDonald. The document will be further revised and resubmitted to the subcommittee and authors by email.

Publicity letter on the new SACL edition will be prepared to coincide with publication (Rubye Torrey). Dan McDonald is to prepare letter to state science officers by the end of August.

The committee discussed issues concerning laboratory solvent still safety. These stills are often necessary for ether solvents (such as THF) where absorption drying and inert gas purging is inadequate. The possible posting of appropriate information on the committee website was discussed. Ellen Burns will investigate the available references on this material and report findings to the subcommittee by email.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel P. McDonald, Subcommittee Chair