Faculty of Health Sciences Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. Kelly Boardroom, Macklem House/Zoom

Attendees:	Anne Biggar Logan Bale Lisa Butler Sharon David Guilherme de Freita Peter Gagolewicz Dan Langham Allison Mackey John Singleton	CCTG DBMS Public Health Sciences SRT as DBMS EH&S Nursing Cancer Research Labs	Non-union USW Local 2010 QUFA MGMT PSAC 901 unit 1 PSAC 901 unit 2 MGMT MGMT
Minutes:	Tammy Henry	FHS Ops	
Co-Chairs:	Yat Tse Worker co-chair v	DBMS racant	MGMT
Regrets:	Christine Irving	FHS Ops	MGMT
Copy to:	Safety Officers, Faculty of Health Sciences Department Heads		
	Y. Tse (Co-Chair) called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.		

1) Approval of the Agenda

Approved by J. Singleton and seconded by A. Mackey

Approval of the minutes of agenda of February 21, 2024

Approved by P. Gagolewicz and seconded by G.de Freitas

2) New Business

2.1 Introduction of new members Christie Gilmour (CUPE 254) and Blaine Fudge (Management)

Y. Tse welcomed C. Gilmour and B. Fudge to the committee.

2.2 Response: Botterell Hall 7,8,9

A Mackey read responses from the inspection done in Botterell Hall 7,8,9. All issues have been either dealt with or work orders are in progress.

2.3 Inspection Teams Review

Y. Tse encouraged everyone to inspect their buildings/spaces as soon as possible especially over the summer when things are a bit slower, and if not possible at least by the end of the year. The inspection teams will be reviewed and the workload will be balanced out. Please reach out to Y. Tse if you have difficulties getting inspections set up or need a partner and Y. Tse will step in if he can.

2.4 Incident Report

Y. Tse reported that a staff member in pathology had been doing some cryosectioning and cut their finger. They were seen in urgent care and received stitches. No lost work time.

3) Other Business

3.1 D. Langham report

D. Langham said that members will be contacted for certification training sign up. There is a minimum number of people that need to be certified on each Joint Health and Safety committee. Our committee meets the requirement, but it is always offered to others to take the training.

EH&S has issued a news email, which will continue to come out quarterly. Highlighted recently was the off campus activity policy.

There was an issue with asbestos work in Botterell Hall recently. Some individuals identified an area where there were lab renovations being done, and there was an asbestos sign on the door. There were concerns if the work was being done correctly and if workers in labs close by should be concerned about their safety. Someone from EH&S investigated the situation and it was discovered that the contractor was using type II precautions even though it was only type I. The contractors were aware of the type of work being done, but employees didn't receive the communication that it was a safe space to be in.

4) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Minutes approved by:

Co-Chair Y. Tse (Worker Co-Chair position is vacant)