MINUTES – Engineering and Applied Science Joint Health and Safety Committee

ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Wednesday Aug 18, 2021
10:30 am to 12:00 pm
Remote Meeting - Teams

Present: J. McKay (Management Co-Chair), K. Sedore (Worker Chair), D. Langham (Director, EH&S) S. Stilson (Secretary), T. Li, L. Steele, G. Whan, E. Tremblay, P. Rowsome, N. Hudon, G. Boyd, M. Lee

Regrets: S. Smith, K. Strike, J. Brown, C. Elliott

1. The meeting was called to order by K. Sedore.
   Motion to approve agenda by J. McKay and second by G. Whan. All in favor.

2. Injury/Incident Reports
   None

3. Workplace Inspection Reports
   a. MECH - EnergyLab & Reactor Materials Lab – July 14, 2021
      No concerns except clean-up is needed in one area and G. Whan spoke that this is on her agenda however staff is light and resources are limited. J. McKay is going to be working closely with Mechanical to address the concerns.

4. Department Updates on COVID-19
   a. Campus
      • Government announced that we are remaining in stage 3 for the time being, therefore no imitate move forward or backward at this time. Direction is not yet clear but vaccinations still remains the priority.
      • The University has put together a great resource and we are encouraged to share it with as many as possible so everyone is informed in regards to the safe return to campus for fall 2021. It can be found at [https://www.queensu.ca/safereturn/](https://www.queensu.ca/safereturn/)
      • There will be a tool/app coming out soon that individuals can enter their status as to what stage of vaccination they are in (not vaccinated/first shot/fully vaccinated) as everyone must be vaccinated in order be on campus. This will probably be in the form of an attestation with proof if requested.
      • Staff occupancy is a concern with return to campus if social distancing is still mandated.
      • The In-Person Classroom Protocols Draft was released to committees and feedback has been greatly appreciated. More to follow shortly.
      • Guidelines around masking will be clearly defined soon, however it is possible that indoor masking will remain in effect.
      • We need to remain alert and ready to move in any direction quickly.

   b. Mechanical
      • Staff returning slowly.
      • Research requests are coming in.
c. Electrical & Computer
   - No major changes.
   - Working on the placement of staff while being mindful of return-to-campus guidelines.

d. Chemical
   - Working on occupancy for labs and preparing for both in-person and remote.
   - Research continues and Grad Students are asking about their office space and when they will have access.

e. Civil
   - One area is open and things are going well.
   - Administrative staff are slowly returning.
   - Grad space will be assigned once allowed to do so.

f. Mining
   - Everything is status quo.

g. FEAS
   - No changes
   - Student Services will remain offering remote support to student in order to reduce in-person traffic to the office

5. Old Business - None

6. New Business - None

7. Next Meeting – To be held on Wednesday September 15, 2021 from 10:30-12:00 (Remote/Teams)

8. Meeting adjourned
   L. Steele motioned to adjourn. Seconded by G. Boyd.

J. McKay, Management Co-Chair
Kelly Sedore, Worker Co-Chair

Aug 30, 2021
Date

Aug 19, 2021
Date