

## Arts and Science Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes from Meeting June 24, 2021

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**Present:** P. Bass, J. Phillips, H. Drouillard, R. Jansen-van Vuuren, M. Knapp-Hermer, D. Langham, G. MacAllister, T. O'Reilly (regrets), K. Hoover, C. Bonta, M. Colby, M. Holzschuh-Sator

### Minutes

#### 1. Call to Order

9:03 AM

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes from May 27, 2021

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

#### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Biology in ventilation was purged and there was a cleanup and checked back with those who reported the issue and there is satisfaction on the issue. Closing the report.

#### 5. Co-Chair's Reports

Heather is moving into a new role, it is her last meeting today. Dan is working on filling her spot.

#### 6. Report from Director, Environmental Health and Safety

##### COVID-19 Updates

- There are some vacancies on the committee, reached out to the faculty office, hoping those will be replaced quickly. There will be a USW member joining temporarily until someone joins us permanently.
- We will be entering into a Step 2 on June 30th instead of July 2nd. This is due to vaccine levels. University is matching the steps to university operations. Details come in the form of regulations where they get released right before the next step, this will assist us in what direction the university will go.
- Planning for the fall continues – sent out Fall safety plan template, please do send in some last-minute comments if you have any to Dan. You can communicate to students in

a way to encourage them to get the vaccines, reach out to communications to assist. There is a meeting this afternoon in regards to self isolating for 14 days – seem to be leaning towards no. The Safety Plan reflects our current realities, whereas the Fall Planning is to project the future. This is why they don't necessarily line up.

- Fall Planning Framework is designed to provide high level guidance for departments in what they should be thinking about in terms of return to work. The Town Hall with Dr. Moore reflects into this document. They are based on Public Health projections, these are items to be thinking about in preparing for the fall. Yesterday at the end of the day was the last day to comment, but if you want to send any comments in, there should still be time to send this this morning.
- Any word on returning Graduate students to campus in the Fall? They are getting picked up through a return of research activities. Dan will make note of this.
- There will be further information in respect to the ventilation side soon. They will be a release of information.
- Not sure as to what other institutions are doing in regards to having students return at full capacity or not. We are planning for full capacity, but this is determined on if we get there and what Public Health says.
- When safety plan documentation gets released – there will be more information on a process as to who grants you certain access to return to work. Dan will make a note of this to get more information.

## **7. Inspection Schedule**

- Psychology Report
  - Environmental Studies Report
- Safety officer didn't seem to have enough training to know how to do an inspection or keep items up to date. Dan will reach out to the department

## **8. Other Business/Discussion Item**

- New Standard Operating Procedures: Hazard/ incident  
These are distributed, have started receiving some incidents on the new form but would be good check for inspections to verify their distribution.

## **9. Next meeting: July 22, 2021**

- 9:00 AM
- Microsoft Teams
- Adjourned: 9:55AM

DATE: July 6, 2021

Terry O'Reilly

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Co-Chair



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Heather Drouillard  
Co-Chair