MINUTES – Engineering and Applied Science Joint Health and Safety Committee

ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday February 17, 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, S. Smith, E. Tremblay, P. Rowsome, J. Caron, K. Strike, N. Hudon, J. Brown and C. Elliott

Regrets: S. Kauffman

1. The meeting was called to order by J. McKay.

2. Injury/Incident Reports
   a. Chemical Engineering - January 28 2021
      Pipette broke while inserting in the bubbler and shards cut the finger of a student. Retraining is recommended to increase confidence and to learn proper techniques to ensure safety.

3. Workplace Inspection Reports
   Due to the Covid-19 lockdown no inspections were completed.
   With the KFLA region returning to Green, JHSCs are free to resume workplace inspections.

4. Department Updates on COVID-19
   a. Campus wide
      • Areas of concern have been identified as three main areas
        1. Break Areas (including outside)
        2. Lunch Rooms
        3. Car Pooling
        Covid rules and guidelines seem to get lax at these times and special attention needs to be given to remind people to be mindful at all times
   b. Civil
      • No updates to report
   c. Mechanical
      • Two on campus courses are being delivered
      • Cleaning of the washrooms has greatly improved
      • Students are comfortable working in their small groups and are happy to be back
      • It was expressed that screening is to be done BEFORE entering the building as some people have been completing this after they are already inside the buildings
   d. Computer & Electrical
      • Walter Light Hall is still operating on a tight lockdown level with very little access to the building
   e. Chemical

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• In person labs will be starting very soon. Some equipment had to be moved to accommodate proper social distancing protocol
• Floor markers will be put in place to ensure proper flow of student traffic
• Zero tolerance is in place regarding the necessity of wearing masks properly
• Plans are in place to go back to remote if necessary

f. Mining
• There is no word on starting any in-house activities for the Department of Mining at this time

g. FEAS
• Working with department managers to open up study space in Mitchell Hall for the on-campus students.
• Icons through the Engineering Society are on campus to ensure safety and offer help when needed
• FEAS is looking ahead to identify what next fall and winter terms will look like

5. Old Business
   None
6. New Business
   None

7. Next Meeting – To be held on Wednesday March 17, 2021 from 10:30-12:00 – (Remote/Teams)

8. Meeting adjourned
   P. Rowsome motioned to adjourn. Seconded by G. Whan.

[Signatures and dates]
J. McKay, Management Co-Chair
Date

K. Sedor, Worker Co-Chair
Date