MINUTES – Engineering and Applied Science Joint Health and Safety Committee

ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Wednesday January 20, 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 and C. Elliott

Regrets: J. Brown and S. Kauffman

1. The meeting was called to order by K. Sedore.

2. Injury/Incident Reports
   None

3. Workplace Inspection Reports
   None

4. Review and Discuss Cryogenic Liquids SOP (Standard Operating Procedure) - Storage, Handling and Dispensing or Cryogenic Liquids
   The goal of the SOP is to be clear and understandable. It is also to allow individuals to take ownership of their responsibilities.

5. Department Updates on COVID-19
   a. Civil
      • No updates to report
   b. Mechanical
      • Preparing for small group in-class labs that will start soon.
      • Cleaning of the washrooms is still lacking and needs to be addressed before students return to ensure all Covid protocols are met including cleaning.
      • The goal is to have students working in the labs during set hours and with a ‘social distancing’ buddy system in place to ensure safety on all levels.
   c. Computer & Electrical
      • Walter Light Hall is operating on a very tight lockdown level with very little access to the building except for building maintenance access.
   d. Chemical
      • Essential research continues for Chemical Engineering as well as 4th year thesis students.
      • Lots of construction continues in the building so there is some traffic in and out
   e. Mining
      • There is only a small handful of people working in the building
      • Commercial testing continues for the Department of Mining
f. **FEAS**

They are looking at how the in-person labs will run and the best approach to ensure safety.

6. **Old Business**
None

7. **New Business**

It was noted that some areas have a build-up of what appears to be junk. This has been a concern in the past but finding the resources to address this on-going. It was also noted that some people are holding items in these spaces until they get approval to progress with their research.

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

9. **Meeting adjourned**

L. Steele motioned to adjourn. Seconded by J. McKay.

J. McKay, Management Co-Chair

K. Sedore, Worker Co-Chair

Date