# **ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE JOINT HEALTH AND** SAFETY COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES

Wednesday May 12, 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), L. Steele, G. Whan, S. Smith, E. Tremblay, P. Rowsome, J. Caron, K. Strike, N. Hudon, J. Brown and C. Elliott

Regrets: S. Kauffman, T. Li

- 1. The meeting was called to order by K. Sedore.
- 2. Injury/Incident Reports

None

### 3. Workplace Inspection Reports

The committee is planning to resume workplace inspections as soon as the Covid lockdown restrictions are lifted and we are safe to do so.

- 4. Department Updates on COVID-19
  - a. <u>Civil</u>
    - No updates to report
  - b. Mechanical
    - Winter 2021 semester in now complete
    - Builds are very quiet with little activity
  - c. Computer & Electrical
    - Requests to access the building have reduced and everything is still good in ECE
  - d. Chemical
    - Safety Orientation has begun for summer students and everyone is following protocol
    - Plans for Fall 2021 are underway
  - e. Mining
    - Everything is good in Mining, no concerns
  - f. FEAS
    - Buildings are very quiet
    - Preparations for Fall 2021 are being discussed
    - Summer Camps have been cancelled
  - g. Campus wide
    - Campus remains quiet and the number of active cases on campus have gone down
    - Fall preparations continue to be discussed and guidance from the Health Canada will be followed
    - The topic of masks was clarified and a document is being prepared for distribution shortly

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#### 5. Old Business

## a. Draft Incident/Injury Report SOP

Further discussion on the Incident/Injury SOP regarding the check box for Male/Female/Other

- o Collection of this information is private and is a regulatory requirement
- It is very important to clarify why the question is being asked safety of gender may be important, for example pregnancy.

#### 6. New Business

# a. Classification of an Essential Worker

There are two (2) classifications of an essential workers: Essential to society (healthcare workers) and essential to the operations of a business or company (Research fits here). Vaccinations will be available very soon for this group in conjunction with the age restrictions.

- 7. Next Meeting To be held on Wednesday June 16, 2021 from 10:30-12:00 (Remote/Teams)
- 8. Meeting adjourned

J. McKay motioned to adjourn. Seconded by G. Whan.

J. McKay, Management Co-Chair

K. Sedore, Worker Co-Chair

2021-05-20 Date 2 May 20, 2021

Date