Facilities

JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting
Monday July 21, 2021, 1 pm
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

In Attendance:
Chaired By: Matthew Barrett
Co-Chair: Jesse Bambrick
Worker Reps: Viet Tran, William Syroid
Management Reps: Rob Dusharm, Gord Meacher, Michael McLean
Recorder: Llynwen Osborne
Absent: Steve Senechal

Guest: Larry Pattison, Director Engineering & Operations

Unfinished Business

15.11 The current confined space inventory is out of date and some sites are not signed. Committee requested an updated list of confined spaces from EH&S. The list of buildings has been identified and a consultant will complete the assessment.
UPDATE: Three quotes have been received. Delayed due to pandemic. Related to agenda item 20.10. ARC pool pit to be added to the list of spaces to be reviewed and agenda item 20.10 has been closed. Ongoing.
Assigned to: Steve Senechal

19.01 Facilities and EH&S have been working with a third party consultant to complete additional roof access modelling for buildings with fume hood systems. Contractor assessed roof tops and provided a draft report. Report is being reviewed. Signs and maps are being developed.
UPDATE: See agenda item 16.10. The Roof Access SOP (SOP-Safety-18) has been released to Facilities Services for implementation. Signs continue to be installed where needed. SOP to be reviewed with trades staff. Ongoing.
Assigned to: Steve Senechal

19.09 A committee member inquired about asbestos awareness training for custodial staff. Training to be scheduled.
UPDATE: In-person training is being revisited resulting to reopening in the Ontario.
Assigned to: Michael McLean
20.01 Concern raised again regarding falling snow off of the roofs of Gordon Hall and Chernoff Hall (formerly agenda item 16.11). Slide guard installation is complete. 
**UPDATE:** Additional quotes to be requested for electrical heat tracing at Gordon Hall due to cost. Ongoing. 
**Assigned to:** Matthew Barrett

20.13 A committee member raised a concern that the trades and custodial groups are not all aware of how to access the SDS and HMIS Asbestos inventory databases. 
**Update:** Links for the SDS database and HMIS asbestos inventory to be emailed to all staff with instructions on how to bookmark their tablets for quick access. Investigating if ITS can install the programs on the tablets. Ongoing. 
**Assigned to:** Steve Senechal

21.02 The Department of Biomedical & Molecular Sciences reported an incident where a custodian mistakenly removed and disposed of biohazardous waste from a lab in Botterell Hall. Custodial services to follow up with additional training and has requested Environmental Health & Safety provide colour-coded containers in labs to assist with distinguishing between non-hazardous solid waste and hazardous/biohazardous waste. 
**Update:** Training has been developed and scheduled for mid-August. EH&S is conducting a review of lab waste containers for the purposes of standardizing lab waste containers for solid waste, lab waste and recycling. Ongoing 
**Assigned to:** Michael McLean

**New Business**
No new business received.

**REGULAR REPORTS**
**Accident Reports**
None received.

**Joint Health & Safety Committee**
- Review and discussion of the Facilities Campus Readiness planning for the Fall 2021. 
- Review of new covid-19 related information, procedures or protocols, updates on how operations are going with new COVID-19 measure in place, and discussion of any concerns raised with members of the committee. 
- The committee is seeking two CUPE 229 and one non-management/non-union worker member to join the committee.

**Training:**
Cross-Connection (Backflow Preventer) training to be scheduled – July/August 2021
Building Inspections
Area 1: in progress
Area 2: Beamish Munroe, Stauffer Library, JDUC, Smith School of Business
Area 3: in progress
Area 4: in progress

Lost Time Injury Status
Days Free of Lost Time Injuries: 100 days as of June 21, 2021.
(Last Lost Time Injury: April 12, 2021)

Next Meeting:
The next safety meeting will be held at 1 pm on Wednesday August 18, 2021, Microsoft Teams.

Steve Senechal
Chair

Matthew Barrett
Co-Chair

Distributed to:
JH&S Committee Members
Facilities Services Staff
Departmental Safety Boards
Central Heating Plant
Environmental Health & Safety