

ACADIA UNIVERSITY JOINT OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes

Meeting February 25, 2021– 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Teams

Present (Quorum)

Greg Deveau, Operations Supervisor
& OHS Coordinator, Safety & Security
Brittany Keddy, Admin Coordinator, Safety
& Security
Laura Miller, Chartwells
Caroliina Landry, OHS Nurse
Ann Myers, SEIU, Library – Co-chair
Derek Parker, Physical Plant
Brian Wilson, AUFA
James Sanford, Exec. Director, Student
Services
Aran Silmeryn, SEIU
Eveline DeSchiffart, Acadia Divinity
Richard Johnson, Athletics
Pat Mora, Financial Services
Teri Gullon, AUFA
Sandra Symonds, AUPAT

Regrets

Patrick Difford, Director, Safety & Security
Kathy Klein, Human Resources
Michael Holmes, AUPAT

1. **Call to order** – 1:33pm by Ann Myers.
2. **Approval of Minutes** - Minutes for January presented. Approved by Rich, seconded by Brian.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – Agenda presented. Amended. Approved by Rich, seconded by Brian.
4. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**
COVID Updates:
5. No new updates, everything is going smoothly. No exposures, positives, or close contacts. Public Health is requesting all Valley residents between Berwick and Wolfville to get tested.
The library has mask free zones beginning March 1. If you are seated you can take off your mask. They are maintaining disinfecting procedures. There is signage to be in place on Monday morning.

SHARPS Policy Update:

The feedback from the VP was that we might want to add some language that would ensure it could not make exceptions. James will speak with the VP as he needs clarity around exceptions and the policy will be complete after that. Moved by James, seconded by Teri.

Working at Heights:

James has submitted to Chris Callbeck. Once we have feedback, we will bring it back for either amendments/final approval.

Recommendations for Custodial in Residence:

DSS is providing custodial support on weekends. No updates from James yet.

6. New Business**First Aid Training Dates:**

Greg is looking at dates for First Aid. Brian says it would be beneficial do to close to the end of the school year before students/faculty go into the field. Aran has a small group of 1 or 2 so he is happy to work with whichever dates. Greg says potentially April 26-30th and he would like to give priority for the academic world, and Brian will canvas for people needing First Aid.

Training Concepts:

Teri asking for confirmation on if Caut training sessions can be opened to the rest of the JOHSC committee.

First Aid Kits on Campus:

The current kits on campus are in various states of repair. Greg was looking at getting a private company to take care of the kits and the concept is having a kit in every building, centrally. Departments could piggy-back on the contract if they would like their own. Greg will come up with distribution suggestions and make a report to take it to the next steps.

7. Incident Reports:

3 reports, all are outdoor slips with minimal injury. Nothing that required an ambulance and Physical Plant is meeting the needs with salting.

• Summary of Actions and Results Timetable arising from Meeting:

- Brian will canvas for people needing First Aid, but he will hold off until he hears back from Teri.
- Greg to make a report on First Aid kits and bring it up to the committee in 3-4 weeks.
- James to follow up with the Working and Heights and Sharps Policies.
- James to meet with Greg and Chad about custodians in residences.

8. Adjournment – Adjourned by Ann Myers at 2:11pm.

9. Next meeting – Next meeting on March 25, 2021 at 1:30pm.