

# ACADIA UNIVERSITY JOINT OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

## Minutes

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Meeting January 28, 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  
Michael Holmes, AUPAT  
James Sanford, Exec. Director, Student  
Services  
Aran Silmeryn, SEIU  
Eveline DeSchiffart, Acadia Divinity  
Richard Johnson, Athletics  
Kathy Klein, Human Resources  
Pat Mora, Financial Services

### Regrets

Sandra Symonds, AUPAT  
Terri Gullon, AUFA  
Patrick Difford, Director, Safety & Security

1. **Call to order** – 1:32pm by James Sanford.
2. **Approval of Minutes** - Minutes for December presented and amended and moved by Brian, Seconded by Rich.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – Agenda presented and approved by Aran, seconded by Rich.
4. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**
  - COVID Updates:**

3 positives related to Acadia; all are resolved. 2 close contacts isolating until the 2<sup>nd</sup>. We are having trouble getting in contact with potential close contacts and they will not come forward. Saturday should bring us to the end of New Brunswick quarantining. The mobile clinic last weekend had over 300 tests done.
  - SHARPS Policy Update:**

Policy has been submitted to Chris Callbeck. James will circle back with Greg and Caroliina for wording updates.
  - Working at Height:**

Policy has been submitted to Chris Callbeck.
5. **New Business**

### **Recommendations for Custodial in Residence:**

On Dec 3, a custodian was almost hit with a glass bottle in a stairwell. An investigation was launched, and an assessment was done. Greg reviewed and submitted recommendations to co-chairs. Custodians are currently being escorted in problem residences.

Recommendations:

RAs assistance in reporting behavior and go on duty rotations doing floor checks.

Ras would escort custodians, not DSS.

Students who are involved in destructive behavior to be removed from residence immediately.

Portable cameras to be deployed on authority of DSS director in areas that current cameras do not cover.

JOHSC sub-committee to assess the risk of violence and assess effectiveness of above recommendations. Send report to Chad and identify Chad as the leader to pull together a team.

### **6. Incident Reports:**

Slips and falls reported. A slip at Lower Denton, on the stairs. A manager from Chartwells passed in a bag of needles to DSS due to lack of sharps container.

### **7. Summary of Actions and Results Timetable arising from Meeting:**

- James will follow up with Greg and Caroliina for wording updates for SHARPS policy.
- James to connect with Chad about creating subcommittee for residence facilities.
- Greg to find places for SHARPS container, he will get in touch with Derek for assistance with mounting.

**8. Adjournment** – Adjourned by James Sanford at 2:00pm.

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