

Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: November 21, 2024 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Location: Y324 and Google Meet

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Arleen Gallo	AVP, Human Resources	V •
Shane Steininger	MRSA Representative	V
Owini Dixon	Manager, Youth Programs	₩ •
Crystal Koch	VP, MRSA Representative	V
Curtis Lang	Manager, Financial Reporting & Accounting Operations (Employer Co-Chair)	~
Jessica Carswell	Faculty Financial Officer, Faculty of Science and Technology	V •
Joe Frazao	MRSA Representative	V
Maureen Evans	Director of Planning and Operations, Students Division	V •
Brenda Lang	Instructor, Bisset School of Business; President, MRFA (interim for Kelly Sundberg)	•
Robert Siklodi	Manager, EH&S	V •
Scharie Tavcer	MRFA Representative	V -

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Items & Topics

Action Items: Approvals

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*Posted to MRU - EHS website

Action Items: Previous Business (From September 26, 2024)

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2.1 Outstanding JOHSC Committee recommendations

- Discussed adding a repository for Position Hazard Assessments, and a system to track employee safety training records.
- A trial to test a possible repository of PHAs will start with Science and Tech in December, 2024, and will eventually move University wide.
- Co-chairs will review the recommendation, and will send it to the University Secretariat.

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Action Items: New Business

3.1 New JOHSC Members

- Welcome Jessica Carswell (Faculty Financial Officer, Faculty of Science and Technology).
- Welcome Brenda Lang (Instructor, Bisset School of Business; President, MRFA).
 - Brenda is filling in as an interim member until a new member/co-chair is selected.

3.2 JOHSC Google Chat, email and meeting tone, quorum (Curtis)

- The committee should all be on the same page regarding agenda item discussions.
- It is important to include all concerns/recommendations.
- Quorum: General discussions can take place in a member's absence, but full quorum is required in making committee recommendations.

3.3 Appointment of a replacement worker co-chair (Crystal)

- Recommended Shane Steininger as new co-chair.
- The committee voted/agreed and welcomed Shane into the role of co-chair.
- Follow-up details will be discussed as an action item for the next meeting in February.

3.4 Joint Occupational Health and Safety training (Crystal)

- There are new members on the JOHSC who will require training (preferably in person or a live virtual led course).
- All members of JOHSC could use a training refresher course.
- Suggested psychosocial health and safety training through the <u>Canadian Mental Health</u> <u>Association</u>.
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Actionable items for the next meeting:

- Alberta OHS order to look at the committee's Terms of Reference.
- G-Wing noise complaints due to ongoing construction.
- Psychological Hazard Assessments (link also provided in the Google chat group).
- EHS involvement in submitting incident reports after an incident has been dealt with.
- Security incident regarding a potential firearm on campus and conflicting reports regarding the subsequent response (*will close this item at the April meeting*).

Action Items:

4 Incidents June 1st to August 31st

4.0 EH&S

- 17 EH&S incidents, and 11 Student/Visitor incidents
- 2 WCB claims with 0 lost time claims

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- 2 Property Damage incidents
- 5 MRU Now app safety concerns

4.1 Security

• Security responded to 73 incidents.

4.2 Violence and Harassment Metrics

- As of November 12, 2024:
 - o 10 claims YTD. Of those 10 claims:
 - 2 partly substantiated claims.
 - 2 claims pending investigation.
 - 1 investigation timeline extended.

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