Minutes of the Joint CUPE 951/University Occupational Health and Safety Committee meeting held in Sedgewick B125 (Vandekerkhove wing) at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday July 19, 2016.

Present:

Worker Representatives  Employer Representatives  Committee Resources
Kara White *  Lynn Meyers  Gavin St. Michael
Sara Kissinger  Fiona Puszka  Chris Smith
Pat Shade

*Chair of meeting

Regrets:
Shubha Hosalli

1 Approval of agenda and minutes

1.1 The agenda was approved as presented, with the correction that the next meeting in August will be held in Sedgewick C168.

1.2 The minutes of the June 21, 2016 meeting were accepted.

2 Business Arising

2.1 Violence in Workplace update – Kara and Sara indicated that they will be working on this project. Tabled until the next meeting.

2.2 Local Safety Committee Update – Gavin advised that there have been no membership changes lately. He attended the Health Services meeting yesterday and noted the management representative was present. Kara asked if the lighting issue in Health Services had been resolved. Gavin advised he didn’t think so; there are funding issues and hopefully this will get resolved before winter.

2.3 Campus Security Update – Fiona provided a brief update. She just returned from vacation and will provide more updates next month. The PSC’s are preparing for fall orientations which is a pretty busy time for them. The Active Threat presentations have also been keeping them busy. Pat asked if there is any update on the Fraser building theft and vandalism. Fiona indicated that a security audit is planned for the building. Chris asked if there was any damage in the Law Library. Fiona believes that the perpetrator did not get access to this area. Kara asked if there are any updates on the CARSA locker thefts. Fiona will find out for the next meeting.

2.4 USC Update – Sara noted that the chlorine gas contractors won’t be performing this type of decontamination any longer. OHSE is awaiting a report from the gas supplier. There was a confined space training update. Rob Johns is putting together some
photos for lunch and learn. There was a presentation from VIU on the lesson learned from their lock-down. Pat noted that some parents were calling Campus Security during this lock-down unaware it was a completely different university. UVic is modifying the University of Alberta Active Threat video for our purposes. Fiona noted that some edits are being made and it will be used for upcoming sessions. Sara also reported that the WorkSafeBC website has been refreshed and that many links may need to be confirmed. Gavin advised that OHSE is planning to release its new website in the early fall.

Kara noted that last year, Kathy Mercer asked to be notified when confined space training exercises are occurring on campus. CUPE 951 can sometimes receive calls from concerned members and they would like to be able to advise accordingly. Gavin will contact FMGT to find out when these are happening.

3  New Business - none

4  Incident Reports - Gavin presented the revised claims cost report for this reporting period. There were no new claims in the past month.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 2:00 pm on August 16, 2016 in the Sedgewick Cl68 (note room change).