JOINT CUPE 951/UNIVERSITY OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Joint CUPE 951/University Occupational Health and Safety Committee meeting held in CARSA A107 at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 2, 2017.

Present:

Worker Representatives: Employer Representatives: Committee Resources:
Sara Kissinger * Lynn Meyers Gavin St. Michael
Kara White Chris Smith
Christine Currie Fiona Puszka
Neil Wedin *Chair of meeting

Regrets: Pat Shade

1 Welcome and Introductions

2 Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

2.1 The minutes of the April 11, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved

2.2 The agenda was approved.

3 Business Arising

3.1 Violence in the Workplace– Kara asked that this item be tabled until the next meeting but noted that it was a prominent topic at the CUPE B.C. convention.

3.2 Local Safety Committees – Gavin advised there were no membership changes to report. Kara requested an updated full membership list which Gavin agreed to provide.

3.3 Campus Security Update – Fiona noted that there have been a few bicycle thefts, typically those using cable locks or leaving their bicycles overnight. Kara asked when abandoned bicycles are removed as there are several taking up bike racks. Fiona will look into this at the upcoming team meeting. She added that CSEC will have a table at ConnectU this week and that the Active Threat video presentations are going well. CSEC has also been piloting a new fire drill schedule where several buildings are done on the same day – it appears to be working well so far. Fiona also promoted Emergency Preparedness week (May 7-13) and highlighted the drop-in lunch and learn sessions available. Sara suggested moving the session information to the main CSEC webpage as it was a bit hard to find.

3.4 University Safety Committee Update – Kara reviewed the USC meeting highlights including the annual review of hearing protection and noise monitoring, the tripping hazard posed by the Geography survey markers and WorkSafe coverage when incidents happen on the way to work or home. Kara added that noise levels are significant in the childcare complexes. Gavin advised that testing has been conducted there. Kara suggested these areas should be spot checked periodically.
4 New Business

4.1 The Committee members were invited to conduct a common-area building inspection of CARSA with Paul Johnson (CUPE 917) leading the tour and providing inspection guidance. Gavin advised that management members could attend if they wished but it was not mandatory. Chris, Neil and Lynn excused themselves from the tour.

5 Incident Reports and Claims Cost Summary

5.1 Incident Reports - There was one new CUPE 951 incident just reported for an ONCS member who twisted their knee in the office. The incident investigation is being arranged. The claims cost summary was also presented. Kara noted the compensation costs for the Library Assistant - Supervisor in 2016 seems low considering the 25 days indicated. Gavin will check into this with the OHSE Administrative Coordinator.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 2:00 pm on June 6, 2017 in Sedgewick B125 (HR Boardroom).