

MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Time: 2:30 – 3:16 p.m.

Place: BEC 402

Present	Present	Regrets/absences
Terri Lacourse, Faculty Association (Chair)	Rob Johns, Manager Emergency Planning (<i>alternate</i>)	Nykita Downie, CUPE 951
Ted Grosson, CUPE 4163	Nicole Greengoe, ATRS Executive Director (<i>alternate</i>)	Kane Kilbey, AVP Human Resources
Lynne Johnson, CUPE 917	Andy Mavretic, Director OHSE	Ron Granados, FMGT Director, Maintenance & Operations
Ori Granot, PEA		Lori Zehr, ATRS Director, Operations & Infrastructure Development
		Jess Maclean, Director CSEC

1. Approval of the Agenda –

Motion: to approve with the agenda. **Carried.**

2. Approval of the Minutes

Motion: to approve the minutes from March 31, 2026. **Carried.**

3. Emergency Planning (EP) –

Rob reported that the training exercise held last week for the Emergency Operations Centre was well attended. Over 40 people participated over 2 shifts for a “fire on Mt. Tolmie scenario”. Nicole attended the session and cited how valuable it was. Active Threat training sessions [are available for enrollment](#) with facilitation by Dorothy Eggenberger. She also recently held a session for emergency call centre training. Rob has also completed training with FGMT’s site response team, conducted 13 fire drills on campus and tested [UVic Alerts](#). He noted that planning for heat and weather events this summer is underway. Rob shared that Environment Canada has aligned its Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) with [provincial standards to reflect colour coding](#). Rob reported that CSEC has been engaged with training in the newly renovated Outdoor Aquatics Unit Level 3 space.

4. New Business

a. Consultation topic: Hearing Conservation Protection

Andy provided an overview of the [hearing conservation program](#) in which OHSE consults with departments on hearing protection and occupational noise issues, provides training and arranges noise surveys. To date in 2026, noise exposure assessments have been conducted in 4 areas with all measurements below the applicable WorkSafeBC (WSBC) exposure limits. The annual assessment of EDC2 is scheduled in June. Noise assessments are provided by OHSE with the use of specialized equipment such as sound meters and noise dosimeters. FGMT continues to arrange annual audiometric testing with an external contractor and has tested 69 employees. The results are retained in the department as well as provided to WSBC.

b. Due Diligence Report

Andy reviewed the 2025 report that is presented to the Risk Management Steering Committee and submitted annually to the Board of Governors. This compliance report outlines various federal, provincial and municipal legislative requirements primarily for research related activities and some campus operations and services. Andy advised that under the BC Environmental Management Act, the report on Ozone Depleting Substances and Other Halocarbons Regulation is now included. FGMT has initiated a halocarbon management program for tracking and maintaining equipment containing refrigerants.

5. WorkSafeBC

a. April 2026 claims report

Elizabeth reviewed the 6 time loss claims and 1 health care claim submitted to WSBC in April.

b. Inspection report

Andy provided an overview of an inspection report from WSBC regarding health concerns by some occupants in the David Turpin Building. Andy has been working with FGMT to conduct a review of the building including HVAC operation, air quality, water quality and hazardous materials. Updates are communicated to occupants through the Dean of Science, chair of MATH, Dean of Social Science and the DTB/Cornett LSC. OHSE will submit an investigation report to WSBC by the end of May.

Andy also noted WSBC conducted a recent inspection of the university's first aid program and risk assessment, first aid kits and room, and CSEC LSC. More information will be shared at the June meeting once this report is received.

6. Other Business

None

*Meeting adjourned at 3:16pm. Next meeting is scheduled for:
Tuesday, June 30, 2026 in BEC 402*