

Attendance September 2020 – June 2021

Y=Present

P=Proxy received

A=Absent

Name	Area	Oct 1	Oct 29	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Sonia Walczak	AHT	A	Y								
Tara Geiger	AHT	Y	A								
Jamie Ushko	Biology tech, JOHSC	Y	Y								
Christine Petersen	Biology	Y	Y								
Trent Hammer	Chemistry	Y	Y								
Christina Mohr	Chemistry	Y	Y								
Nisha Puthiyedth	Computing Science	Y	Y								
Yan Yan	Computing Science	Y	Y								
Nancy Van Wagoner	Geology	Y	Y								
	Math										
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Kathy Baethke	Microbiology		Y								
Joanna Urban	Microbiology	A	A								
Sheri Watson	NRS	Y	Y								
Colin Taylor	Physics	Y	Y								
Janine Rostron	Respiratory Therapy	P	Y								
Christine Miller	UEPrep	Y	A								
Resource members											
Sarah Martin	Health Safety Manager	Y	A								
Timothy Crowe	OSEM	Y	Y								
Tara Langley	Recorder	Y	Y								

1	Meeting called to order at 1032
2	Motion to adopt agenda by Christine Petersen, seconded by Sheri Watson. Passed. Additions to agenda: A. Reports B. Use MS Teams C. Timothy-Biosafety cabinets. D. Nancy re: hot air dryers in the bathrooms spreading Covid E. Janine- Discussion on wall hand sanitizer stations. F. Jamie-Lee- New member: Kathy Baethke
3	Review of Minutes from October 1, 2020
4	Edits to be made: Christine Petersen mentioned that she is a new member replacing Lucille Anderson for Biology. Motion to adopt October 1, 2020 corrected minutes by Timothy Crowe, seconded by Trent Hammer. Passed
5	Old Business from October 1, 2020
	<p>a) Committee Terms of Reference for SSHC- Trent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes and latest version was sent out by Colin October 1. Will be going to Faculty Council. • Latest changes have removed School of Nursing. • No change suggestions received in the past month. • New name of the Committee is Science Safety and Health. • As per Sarah Martin, mental health is covered by HR and shouldn't be part of our TOR. • ACTION: if you have more changes, let Colin know this week so it can be presented in November to Faculty Council.

6	New Business
	<p>a) Incident Reports: Timothy: Sarah said no employee injuries, 6 students: 3 Trades, 3 Nursing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revising hazardous waste program, specifically training for biosafety/researchers. <p>b) Use MS Teams instead of Bluejeans? Colin would like to try. Christine hasn't used it. Timothy has used it lots. Going forward we could create a team for this committee. Minutes can be uploaded there, meetings can be done there. ACTION: Tara and Trent will set up group.</p> <p>c) Timothy: Biosafety cabinets: Timothy was doing Science building inspection: cabinet certification expires Oct 31/20. Looked into getting someone to come in and recertify them. May need help getting cabinets certified ASAP as they can't be used until that has been done.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christine: Can the committee ask Greg directly (not through Faculty council) to get this done? Greg is currently not able to approve much financial spending, so Trent can email the Dean directly to ask if any documentation is needed to make this move faster. The Biology Chair and Sarah Martin should be included correspondence and Timothy has included them in the emails to the Dean already. • ACTION: Trent will email Greg directly to see if he can get an answer faster. <p>d) Hot air dryers in the washrooms- Nancy: Possible source of spreading airborne Covid. Sarah suggested we ask for paper towel in non-staff bathrooms. ACTION: Trent will email the janitor first to request paper towels in all the bathrooms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dryers on third floor washrooms are not placed at the right height as it blows the air into your face. • ACTION: Trent submitted Archibus for janitorial repair for this to lower them. <p>e) Hand sanitizer stations in hallways: Janine- we decided to reinstall all hand sanitizer stations throughout the Science Building last fall. Janitors should be checking them for operation and that they are full. They've been used a lot, but batteries are dead or they are empty so Janine emailed the Janitors and Facilities and was told that the machines are obsolete now and can't be fixed or replaced. Just to use sanitizer on tables set out due to Covid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seems unreasonable that after only a few months they have to be thrown out? • Janine previously went to Warren in Facilities that this was a Safety request, with Sarah's help. • Pretty standard for a university to have hand sanitizers on the wall, we should have them also. • Currently hard to get any sanitizing supplies due to Covid, could prolong replacing them until next year. • No jugs outside washrooms or in doorways right now so it's not ideal. We can get them checked and if not working, replace with bottle of sanitizer at the same location. • Need to keep conversation going because when Covid supplies are removed, we will have nothing available. ACTION: Janine will approach facilities and janitors to replace these with something now and when Covid is over to have the wall units replaced with working stations. <p>f) Kathy Baethke is joining the Committee as Microbiology member.</p> <p>g) Covid safety kit drive-through pickup is today for CUPE.</p>
	Next meeting: Nov at 10:30 via MS Teams
7	Adjournment

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Online via BlueJeans
October 29, 2020 Meeting Minutes

	Meeting adjourned at 11:13