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JOINT HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 13th, 2019 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm **Meeting Room 2171**

Present: Shannon Maki **Recording Secretary:** Shannon Maki

Tanya Niederer

Robert Jackson

Absent:

Oleksandr (Sasha) Bubon

Alanna Wade

Oleksandr (Sasha) Grynko Nikka Stoger

Mehran Masoom Yuri Shepelytskyi

1. Approval of Agenda: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm, chaired by Shannon Maki. Agenda was approved by the committee with no additional items for discussion.

2. Review of Minutes and Action Items:

Tanya did a review of the Minutes and following ACTION items from January 21st as well as UPDATES (dated accordingly): (throughout copy of minutes) - *updates under each section

3. Review of First Aids:

Munro St. – None to report

TBRHSC - None to report

4. Review of Incident Reports:

Munro St. – None to report

TBRHSC - Incident Report - reviewed by Tanya - adult mental health patient entered into 1640B and locked herself in the area – was persistent to call police and appeared quite agitated – upon resolution and protocols taken, the debrief included calling Security in a more timely manner - the doors have now been permanently locked and swipe access is now required at all times for entry

5. Review of Inspection Reports:

MUNRO LOCATION:

- Clean Room EXIT sign
 - Not staying lit during test procedure Shannon to follow up

Basement door #27 - Fire Door

The door is swipe-access only but remains unlocked at all times due to the master key being used by someone – this door is required to remain locked – Shannon to submit Maintenance Requisition









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Basement Grey Area – Eyewash/Shower

• The water is flowing rust-colored for the first several minutes when tap is turned on – this unit was locked out and will be replaced with a portable eyewash station – **Shannon/Tanya**

TBRHSC LOCATION:

- 3rd Floor office space (inside 3116)
 - All areas good temperature does seem to fluctuate to very cool at times; will continue to monitor –
 February 13/19 temperature continues to fluctuate throughout each day and can be very cool at times
- 3rd Floor Lab All Areas
 - PHYSICAL HAZARDS Section working surfaces it was noted that all benches in the lab should be inspected by lab users and the counters and equipment wiped clean after each use especially when chemicals are present and/or spilled
 - CHEMICAL HAZARDS Section hazardous substances/chemical storage it was noted that on Bench #6 there was a plastic syringe sitting upright with no cap (contained PBS label) notified the appropriate group and it was removed; Cylinder labeling, transporting and storage there was a thin small green O2 tank under the counter that was given to Praxair
 - BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS Proper PPE being worn group has requested face masks to be available in the lab for preferred use
 - There was a leak from the last sink area due to corroded pipes which made its way to the floor below
 has since been repaired and is being reviewed to determine if there should be adjustments to the plumbing for pouring down the drains
- 1st Floor room 1640B
 - Temperature fluctuates to warmer at times all good at this time
 - INCIDENT REPORT The main entrance door is now locked at all times and is swipe-access only going forward
 - There is a light burnt out near main entrance <u>ACTION</u>: Shannon to submit a Maintenance Requisition
- 2nd Floor Room 2167 Temperature still fluctuates to cooler at times ONGOING
- **2nd Floor Physics Lab Area** Area inspected, all good lots of equipment being used eyewash is being inspected regularly







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Business Arising:

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm

Next meeting: March 13th, 2019







Inspected By: Sasha Bubon, Sasha Grynko

Department (level/room #): Munro St

PHYSICAL HAZARDS	Y	N	N/A
Are all walking surfaces and work surfaces clean and free of hazards?	✓		
Are all areas efficiently lit and suitable for the purpose?	✓		
Are all areas well-ventilated?	✓		
Are ventilation units in good working condition/free of debris?	✓		
Are stairs and grab rails in good condition?	✓		
Are noise levels appropriate?	✓		
CHEMICAL HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals properly labeled?	✓		
Do workers know where to find a Safety Data Sheet for a substance/chemical?	✓		
Is the appropriate PPE available when using a chemical?	✓		
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals stored appropriately?	✓		
Are eye wash stations/showers regularly inspected as per policy?		>	
Are workers respiratory fit-tested (if required)?			✓
Are compressed gas cylinders labeled, transported and stored appropriately?	✓		
BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS	Y	N	N/A
Are needles safety-engineered?	✓		
Are medical sharps properly disposed of?	✓		
Are medical sharps containers used and maintained properly?	✓		
Is waste disposed of in the proper containers?	✓		
Are employees using the proper infection control PPE (e.g. gloves, gowns, N95 respirators)?	✓		
Are food, beverage and cosmetics stored in areas where there is reasonable likelihood of exposure?	✓		
ERGONOMIC HAZARDS	Υ	Z	N/A
Are heavy items stored appropriately?	✓		
Are lifting devices/wheeled equipment in good working order and inspected as required?	✓		
Are computer workstations appropriately laid out?	✓		
Are office chairs functioning properly?	✓		
Are desk and file drawers kept closed when not in use?	✓		
SAFETY HAZARDS	Y	N	N/A
Are ladders and/or scaffolds maintained in good condition?	✓		
Is leaning material secured?	✓		
Are electrical cords intact? Permanent extension cords are not used?	✓		
Is electrical equipment tagged by maintenance, as required?	✓		
Is all equipment inspected and maintained in good condition?	✓		
Are workers wearing appropriate PPE for the task?	✓		
Are workers wearing proper footwear?	✓		
Are emergency codes/sub plans available and understood by workers?			✓



FIRE HAZARDS	Y	N	N/A		
Are there any materials or equipment stored within one meter of electrical panels?		\			
Are there any materials or equipment stored in front of fire hose/extinguisher cabinets?		✓			
Are fire exits/stairwells unobstructed?	✓				
Are fire extinguishers inspected monthly and free of damage?	✓				
Are appliances only used in designated kitchenettes (toasters, coffee makers, kettles, etc.)?	✓				
Are appliances in kitchenettes approved for this use?	✓				
Is equipment and stretchers in storage areas (or placed on one side of the hallway)?	✓				
Is there a minimum of 18 inches of clearance from all sprinkler heads in ceilings?			✓		
Is there no paper on the walls or excessive decorations (no more than 10% of the space)?	✓				
Is there excessive storage of flammable materials (e.g. hand sanitizer)?		✓			
Are there any ceiling tiles missing?		✓			
OTHER	Y	N	N/A		
Are monthly safety inspections completed and available?	✓				
Do workers know how to report a safety concern?	✓				
Do workers know how to report an incident/accident?	✓				
Is staff aware of where exit routes and pull stations are located?	✓				
Has staff reviewed the Code Red policy and related sub-plans in the last year?			✓		
Does staff know the location of the department sub plans?	✓				
Do workers know who their JOHSC representative is?					
Are competency/training checklists up to date? (Reference document SE-01)	✓				
Are workers wearing appropriate name tags?	✓				

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Item & Location	Hazard(s) Observed	Risk Level		eat m N	Recommended Action By Whom / When	Person Responsible	Action Taken	Action Complete & Date
Basement door #27. Fire door.	The door is unlocked at all times, although it is swipe-access only	3	>		Lock the door with a key			
Basement, Grey area. Eyewash station and shower	Upon activation, rust water flows for the first few minutes	4		>	Check water pipes			
Basement, Clean room. Exit signs	Do not stay lit during the test procedure	1	✓		Submit maintenance request			

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WORKER SIGNATURE:	DEPARTMENT MANAGER (print & sign):	



Date: February 13, 2019 Inspected By: Shannon Maki & Mehran Masoom

Department (level/room #): 3rd floor offices and 3rd floor lab space

PHYSICAL HAZARDS	Y	N	N/A
Are all walking surfaces and/or work surfaces clean and free of hazards?		~	
Are all areas efficiently lit and suitable for the purpose?	/		
Are all areas well-ventilated?	✓		
Are ventilation units in good working condition/free of debris?	✓		
Are stairs and grab rails in good condition?			/
Are noise levels appropriate?	/		
CHEMICAL HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals properly labeled?	✓		
Do workers know where to find a Safety Data Sheet for a substance/chemical?	~		
Is the appropriate PPE available when using a chemical?	~		
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals stored appropriately?		~	
Are eye wash stations/showers regularly inspected as per policy?	✓		
Are workers respiratory fit-tested (if required)?			/
Are compressed gas cylinders labeled, transported and stored appropriately?	✓		
BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A
Are needles safety-engineered?	✓		
Are medical sharps properly disposed of?	/		
Are medical sharps containers used and maintained properly?	✓		
Is waste disposed of in the proper containers?	✓		
Are employees using the proper infection control PPE (e.g. gloves, gowns, N95 respirators)?	/		
Are food, beverage and cosmetics stored appropriately, away from the likelihood of exposure?		/	
ERGONOMIC HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A
Are heavy items stored appropriately?	/		
Are lifting devices/wheeled equipment in good working order and inspected as required?			/
Are computer workstations appropriately laid out?	/		
Are office chairs functioning properly?	/		
Are desk and file drawers kept closed when not in use?	/		
SAFETY HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A
Are ladders and/or scaffolds maintained in good condition?			/
Is leaning material secured?			/
Are electrical cords intact? Permanent extension cords are not used?	/		
Is electrical equipment tagged by maintenance, as required?	/		
Is all equipment inspected and maintained in good condition?	/		
Are workers wearing appropriate PPE for the task?	'		
Are workers wearing proper footwear?	/		
Are emergency codes/sub plans available and understood by workers?	~		



FIRE HAZARDS	Υ	N	N/A		
Are all materials and/or equipment stored away from electrical panels? (eg: 1m or greater)	/				
Are any materials and/or equipment stored in front of fire hose/extinguisher cabinets?		/			
Are fire exits/stairwells unobstructed?	/				
Are fire extinguishers inspected monthly and free of damage?	/				
Are appliances only used in designated kitchenettes (toasters, coffee makers, kettles, etc.)?	/				
Are appliances in kitchenettes approved for this use?	/				
Is equipment and stretchers in storage areas or placed on one side of the hallway?			/		
Is there a minimum of 18 inches of clearance from all sprinkler heads in ceilings?	/				
Is there no paper on the walls or excessive decorations (no more than 10% of the space)?	/				
Are flammable materials stored appropriately? (eg: flammable cabinet)	/				
Are all ceiling tiles intact?	/				
OTHER	Y	N	N/A		
Are monthly safety inspections completed and available?	/				
Do workers know how to report a safety concern?	/				
Do workers know how to report an incident/accident?	/				
Is staff aware of where exit routes and pull stations are located?	/				
Has staff reviewed the Code Red policy and related sub-plans in the last year?	/				
Does staff know the location of the department sub plans?	/				
Do workers know who their JOHSC representative is?					
Are competency/training checklists up to date? (Reference document SE-01)					
Are workers wearing appropriate name tags?	V				

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Fire extinguisher blocked, Services Hallway	Fire extinguisher blocked by boxes	6	Х		Remove boxes and remind staff of importance of keeping materials away from fire extinguisher.	Manager	Yes	October 10, 2018
All benches	Chemicals, debris found on equipment, bench counters		X		All counters, equipment should be cleaned/wiped after each use	Lab Users	Yes	February 13, 2019
Bench #6	Plastic syringe found uncapped with PBS label				Chemicals need to be stored appropriately	Lab Users	Yes	February 13, 2019

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actions are completed.	Original report to be filed in Occupational Health and Safety Department; photocopy to inspected department)
WORKER SIGNATURE:	DEPARTMENT MANAGER (print & sign):



Inspected By: Nikka M. Stoger

Department (level/room #): TBRHRI Office Level 1 - 1640B

PHYSICAL HAZARDS	V	N	N/A
Are all walking surfaces and work surfaces clean and free of hazards?	X		
Are all areas efficiently lit and suitable for the purpose?		X	-11
Are all areas well-ventilated?		X	
Are ventilation units in good working condition/free of debris?	×		
Are stairs and grab rails in good condition?	×	- 4	
Are noise levels appropriate?	×		
CHEMICAL HAZARDS	v	N	N/A
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals properly labeled?	X	1223	
Do workers know where to find a Safety Data Sheet for a substance/chemical?	×		
Is the appropriate PPE available when using a chemical?	×		
Are all hazardous substances/chemicals stored appropriately?	X		
Are eye wash stations/showers regularly inspected as per policy?	18.4		X
Are workers respiratory fit-tested (if required)?		13	Х
Are compressed gas cylinders labeled, transported and stored appropriately?	X		-15
BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS	V	N	N/A
Are needles safety-engineered?			X
Are medical sharps properly disposed of?			X
Are medical sharps containers used and maintained properly?			X
Is waste disposed of in the proper containers?	X		
Are employees using the proper infection control PPE (e.g. gloves, gowns, N95 respirators)?	X		
Are food, beverage and cosmetics stored in areas where there is reasonable likelihood of exposure?	Dec	X	
ERGONOMIC HAZARDS	v	N	N/A
Are heavy items stored appropriately?	X		T.
Are lifting devices/wheeled equipment in good working order and inspected as required?			Х
Are computer workstations appropriately laid out?	X		
Are office chairs functioning properly?	×		
Are desk and file drawers kept closed when not in use?	X		
SAFETY HAZARDS	v	N	N/A
Are ladders and/or scaffolds maintained in good condition?			Х
Is leaning material secured?			X
Are electrical cords intact? Permanent extension cords are not used?	X		
Is electrical equipment tagged by maintenance, as required?	×		
Is all equipment inspected and maintained in good condition?	X		
Are workers wearing appropriate PPE for the task?	X		
Are workers wearing proper footwear?	×		
Are emergency codes/sub plans available and understood by workers?	X		



FIRE HAZARDS	V	N	N/A
Are there any materials or equipment stored within one meter of electrical panels?		X	
Are there any materials or equipment stored in front of fire hose/extinguisher cabinets?		х	
Are fire exits/stairwells unobstructed?	X		
Are fire extinguishers inspected monthly and free of damage?	X		
Are appliances only used in designated kitchenettes (toasters, coffee makers, kettles, etc.)?			Х
Are appliances in kitchenettes approved for this use?		L.	X
Is equipment and stretchers in storage areas or placed on one side of the hallway?	X		
Is there a minimum of 18 inches of clearance from all sprinkler heads in ceilings?	Х		
Is there no paper on the walls or excessive decorations (no more than 10% of the space)?	X		
Is there excessive storage of flammable materials (e.g. hand sanitizer)?		X	
Are there any ceiling tiles missing?			
OTHER	V	N	N/A
Are monthly safety inspections completed and available?	X		
Do workers know how to report a safety concern?	Х		
Do workers know how to report an incident/accident?	X		
Is staff aware of where exit routes and pull stations are located?	X		
Has staff reviewed the Code Red policy and related sub-plans in the last year?	Х		
Does staff know the location of the department sub plans?	X		
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Are competency/training checklists up to date? (Reference document SE-01)	X		
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Fluorescent light burnt out near main door	MINOR visual impairment	9		х	Replacement of bulb by maintenance when possible			
Air fluctuating to warmer at times	Mild discomfort	9	x		Submit maintenance request to investigate/mitigate fluctuations			
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