



# THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

## Faculty of Science & School of Nursing Safety Committee (SHSC)

Meeting Minutes for November 30, 10:30 AM, room S309

Attendance Aug 2015-June 2016 (X=√ = present) (A = absent) (P = proxy rcd.)

Meeting Dates		8. 25	9. 28	10. 26	11. 30	12.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	Notes
Lettinga, Marten	CHAIR Chemistry	X	X	X	X								
McKenzie, Wendy	Nursing	P	X	X	X								
Hammer, Trent	Chemistry	X	X	X	X								
Jyrkkanen, Stacey	Safety & EM	A	A	A	X								
Prescott, Walter	ARET	P	X	X	P								
Purdy, Susan	Biology	X	X	X	P								
Heather Noyes	Respiratory	X	X	A	A								
El Miligi, Haytham	Computing			X	X								
Horton, Jane	UPrep	X	X	X	P								
Sorensen, Jacque	NRS	X	P	A	A								
Taylor, Colin	Physics	X	X	X	X								
Urban, Joanna	Micro	A	X	X	X								
Van Wagoner, Nancy	Geology	A	A	X	P								
Walczak, Sonia	AHT	X	P	A	P								
Duggan, Bunny	recorder	A	X	X	A								
MacLellan, Dean	RESP		X	X	X								
Anderson, Lucille	Biology	X	A	A	X								
Fairman, Peter	Bio Safety Officer	X	X	X	X								

Introductions

Marten asked the committee members to re-introduce themselves for new member Haytham El Miligi who has been representing Computer Science since the previous meeting.

## **0. Adoption of Agenda**

APPROVED AND ADOPTED: Peter F. SECOND: Colin T.

## **1. Review of Minutes from September 28th, 2016 Meeting**

ACCEPTED: Colin T. SECOND: Stacey J.

## **2. Old Business**

### **(a) 3D Printers Emission - ARET follow-up (Walter)**

Tabled

### **(b) WHMIS 2015 Training – update (Marten)**

**Action:** It was brought up at the FLC Meeting on Nov 3, 2016. Stacey J. and Peter F. reported that WHMIS 2015 training is necessary for anyone who handles controlled/hazardous products. An annual review of the chemicals each person works with is also required. Peter will e-mail Goldie to post information on the Science Faculty Council site. Chairs need to make sure that the information gets to TAs and technicians.

### **(c) Working Alone/TRU Safe App – JOSH (Susan)**

Stacey and Haytham will chat about the possibility of including Working Alone reporting on the TRU SAFE APP

### **(d) ESTR Program – (Jane Horton)**

Peter will contact Jane H. to follow up on the Health & Safety approval of the renovations.

### **(e) Fentanyl Overdose/Naloxone kits (Peter)**

12 double-packs of Nasal Naloxone have been ordered. Security will be trained as soon as the kits arrive. Trained security will each carry a pack at all times. Anyone can administer Naloxone injections but security/First Aid attendants cannot administer them unless they are specifically trained for them.

### **(f) Violent situations – Security responsibilities (Peter)**

May intervene if needed since they have had experience from work around the hospital even though they do not have specific training for restraining people. They do have the right to refuse unsafe work. Their first responsibility is to observe and report.

### **(g) Math Rep (Marten)**

The position is still open. The open position has been brought up again at Faculty Council.

### 3. New Business

a) **Incidents (Stacey or Peter)**

Dog-bite on the arm to a faculty member in Animal Health. The faculty member received First Aid and saw a medical professional right afterwards. The animal has been muzzled.

A while ago, a student fell in S371, the Anatomy/Physiology Lab (perhaps due to a seizure). The yellow push-button callboxes are available for emergencies, Stacey will be working on updating signage to include 828 in front of the posted contact-numbers.

Student poked finger with needle in Arterial Blood Gas lab.

b) **Meeting Times (Colin)**

Marten will send out a doodle poll for meeting times next term. No meeting in December.

c) **Safety Showers/Eye-Wash (Peter)**

SEM will test showers and eye-wash fountains monthly. The pull-rods on the showers will be replaced with pull-chains.

d) **Chemical Storage Building Update (Stacey)**

Building is being assembled off-site. Site (outside S267) will be prepared soon. Delivery – Feb 2017. Building will be populated in summer 2017. Chemical Dispensing Room (S267) is essentially finished.

e) **Smell in S269, first year chem lab (Trent)**

Irritating sewer or burning smell coming through the vents has been reported. One TA and a faculty member reported getting a head-ache from the smell. Fumehoods were running to clear the smell, especially during the chemistry lab-exam.

f) **Third Floor Women's Washroom – lack of cleanliness (Wendy)**

The washroom is smelly and there is never enough paper-towel. The toilet-paper dispensers don't seem to work well with the single-ply rolls.

g) **Computing Science – Smelly Worn-Out Carpets (Haytham)**

Carpets need replacing with linoleum.

h) **Unisex Washroom (Joanna)**

Many public institutions now have unisex bathrooms available. TRU does not yet have any but should really have them available.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am