

**Science and Medicine Safety Committee - Joint Local Safety  
Committee**

## Record of Meeting

**Location: Zoom (online), Date: October 26, 2021, 2021, Time: 1:30 PM**

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**Attendees:**

- Rob Rempel (PHYS)
- Sara Ohora (DMS)
- Ellen Busby (BCMB)
- Igor Chetyrin (SCIE)
- Frank van Veggel (CHEM)
- Janice Gough (BIOL)
- Cathy Stacey (CHEM)
- Kristi Blyth (SEOS)
- Brad Binges (BIOL, greenhouse)
- Vivian Lagaditis (OHSE)
- Troy Hasanen (OHSE)
- Susan Gnucci (PHYS) - host
- Mike Pflieger (PHYS)
- Kimberley Politano (BCMB)

**Absentees:**

- Fiona Puszka (Campus Security)
- Karina Giesbrecht (SEOS)
- Rob Iuvale (SCI Store)
- Kurt McBurney (DMS)

**Employer Co-Chair:** Igor Chetyrin, **Employee Co-Chair:** Frank van Veggel, **Recorder:** Igor Chetyrin

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**Agenda items:**

1. Approval of the agenda. Agenda was approved.
2. Approval of the minutes. Minutes of the meeting held on September 28, 2021 were approved as circulated.

Business arising: None

New Business:

3. Campus Security update was provided by email from Fiona:
  - There have been 2 bike thefts reported this past month. Both incidents the bikes were locked with cable locks and unfortunately cut. We try and recommend the U-Lock Kryptonite type lock as they make it harder to steal bikes.
  - Another plug for Learning Central for upcoming training sessions.
  - Last week was the annual Great BC Shake Out drill. For some great tips on personal preparedness, go to [www.bcshakeout.ca](http://www.bcshakeout.ca).

- Have been busy with safety talks to staff groups; ie/ Library Staff and Classroom Ambassadors looking for guidance on how to best approach someone who's not wearing a mask- or becoming disgruntled.
- As our days seem to get dark earlier right now, a reminder that Safewalk is a great 24/7 service for anyone who would like a member from Campus Security to walk with them anywhere within the campus boundaries. Also, ICBC are partnering up with SPD for their annual visit to campus next week Nov 4th – to promote November being Distracted Driving Month. They offer some good tips and swag re: Be Safe Be Seen.

4. OHSE update provided by Troy:

- Reminder - masks are now required indoors as per the PHO, including special events.
- When it comes to non educational events please notify OHSE in advance, including award ceremonies and Christmas parties. Rules are in place for inside gatherings, including food consumption, some extra measures that needs to be taken like increased sanitation, etc. Please check with OHSE prior to the event and for any questions.

5. Review of Departmental incident and hazard reports provided by Paraskevi (Vivian) and Dept AOs:

New reports:

- *PHYS - Aug 9 2021: injury to foot by falling stool*
- *DMSC - Sept 23 2021: finger poked with sterile needle*
- *CHEM – Oct 15 2021: chemical fire quenching THF still (this report will be discussed at the Lab Safety committee).*

6. Other business: BIOL and DMSC had fire safety drill.

7. Next meeting will be on November 23, 2021 at 1:30 pm via Zoom online.