MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

MEAT INSPECTION EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE - MINUTES

June 13, 2019

1 Stone Road West, Boardroom 303, Guelph

For Management:

For OPSEU:

Rodger Dunlop, Co-Chair Kim Landers Nick Van Lankveld Pierre Adrien Kristy Mitrovic

Marcus Rangai, Co-Chair Daira Miranda (regrets) Melanie Begin Binod Baral Neil Fraser

Resource:

Diana Reid (HR Advisor)

Rodger Dunlop opened the meeting at 9:35

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action Required	Timeline for Completion
Welcome and Introductions			
Standing Items			
1. Program Update	 Hide crises – looking at options to manage over supply Mandatory microbial interventions – July 1 and October 1 Minister round tables with industry Value for money audit Intake 2 – for hygienic slaughter and microbial interventions 		

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2. Staff Training and Orientation	 Meat School tentatively scheduled for Jan, Feb, Mar 2020 Area meetings – refresh on operational readiness New employee starting in Ridgetown Modern Regulator – how can we assist industry and compliance better 		
3. Health and Safety Working Group	 Only 1 reported incident since last meeting New health and safety newsletter roll out New MPP 08.29 Working Alone protocols 		
4. Workforce Planning	Competitions Underway: Guelph – 2 fxt and 1 classified MHO – interviews June 5 & 6 Vineland – 2 fxt MHO – interviews scheduled for June 12 Peel – 4 fxt MHO – interviews scheduled for June 18 & 19 Temporary AM Woodstock – interviews to be scheduled for June Permanent AM Stratford – interviews to be scheduled for June Temporary AC Vineland Permanent AC Verner # of Abattoirs - 119 # of FSMPs - 361		
Follow-up on TEI/VEP and Lateral Transfers	 Management to provide update on number of exits every 3 months No new TEI applicants since last MI ERC E-mail address for submitting lateral transfers has changed: 		

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	RegisterLT@ontario.ca		
2. Health & Safety Newsletter E-mail Format	- Request for some context in health and safety newsletter e-mail	Management to add some information / context in e-mail for health and safety newsletter	
3. MOA & Q&A's	 Documents are being finalized Managers to be trained later this month Looking at options for rolling out training to staff 		
4. Vacation policy/ CSD/ Seniority list	- HR to review and then draft policy to be shared with the union	Provide draft vacation policy to union	By end of June
New Items			
1. Privacy Breach (personal information in Siebel)	- employee personal information has been removed from Siebel		
2. Eid Scheduling	 operators need to provide scheduling needs by July 2nd Eid falls week of August 11th 		
3. Overtime	 union raises that overtime is not being distributed fair and equitably discussion of developing formal protocol for distributing overtime 	Management to review current protocol and explore opportunities for revisions	
4. Any Government initiatives that would	 Expenditures protocols are still in place – restrictions on purchasing, travel etc. 		

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impact staffing in the Meat Inspection Program	- Hiring is still a priority for food inspection		
Next MI ERC Meeting			
2019 MI ERC Dates	September 19, 2019 – 9:30am, December 12, 2019 – 9:30am		

Original signed by:

Rodger Dunlop (For Management)

Original signed by:

Marcus Rangai (For the Union)