Microbiology Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2021

12:15 to 12:30

Present: Laura S, Moses and Solomon

1. Meghan:
   - Meghan the MLT student is starting next Monday
   - She will be spending a week on the front bench, week PCR testing, week micro testing and 3 days to complete anything that was missed
   - We will all be working with her due to our short staffing situation
2. PCR bench:
   - Do we want 8 to 4 or 10 to 6
   - We will do 8 to 4 and can stay OT till 6 if samples need to be completed
   - We can change this in the future as necessary
3. Specimen receiving bench:
   - Will be 7 to 3
   - Will be mainly Joanne
   - She will come in and do all the morning startup including daily maintenance
   - She will take care of the gram stain bottles, garbage's, stock up benches
   - The tech will continue the other daily duties and QC
   - If anyone needs Joanne's help, we will just ask her
4. KFC lunch:
   - Biomerieux is buying us lunch next Wednesday
   - Will be ordering KFC
   - This is mainly for micro staff for COVID testing but will be bought for the whole lab
5. Schedule:
   - David will be leaving micro and will be going to the core lab
   - This is not official yet but will most likely be approved
   - He will be starting next Monday in the core
   - Laura S needs to do the rest of November and December schedule
   - We will need to work together like never before and we should be ok. Everyone needs to communicate about how they are doing
6. Inuvik:
   - IPAC would really like us to do the MRSA/VRE swabs for Inuvik hospital
   - There are only 12 beds so will not be much work
   - Laura has said we can do this as Inuvik lab will order everything we just need to receive and plate
   - We will look at these samples from HR and FS at a later date

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7. Roundtable:
    -   Moses and Solomon: The amount of phone calls about COVID samples is too much. Laura S will talk to Jennifer about this and see what can be done. This is a huge problem and needs to be addressed