## Faculty of Engineering Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes Wednesday, October 10, 2012

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. JHE A114

| Management Member              | Department              | Attendance |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Ian Bruce (Co-Chair)           | ECE                     | Present    |
| Kostas Apostolou               | BTech                   | Regrets    |
| Carm Vespi                     | Alumni                  | Absent     |
| Doug Keller (Certified Member) | Management Cert. Member | Present    |
| Wolfram Kahl                   | Computing and Software  | Present    |
| A. Ghani Razaqpur              | Civil Engineering       | Present    |
| Baptise Gault                  | Materials Science       | Regrets    |
| Jie Yu                         | Chemical Engineering    | Regrets    |
| Mohamed Hamed                  | Mechanical Engineering  | Absent     |
| Leyla Soleymani                | Engineering Physics     | Regrets    |
| Andy Knights                   | Engineering Physics     | Regrets    |
| Robert Fleisig                 | Engineering1            | Present    |
| Vladimir Mahalec               | SEP                     | Regrets    |

| Worker Member                      | Department                         | Attendance     |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| John Nakamura (Co-Chair)           | Computing and Software             | Present        |
| Anna Robertson                     | Civil                              | Regrets        |
| Doris Stevanovic                   | CEDT                               | Regrets        |
| Dulcie Amaral                      | SEP                                | Absent         |
| Elizabeth Takacs                   | MMRI                               | Present        |
| Jim McLaren (Certified Member)     | Mechanical                         | Present        |
| Ed McCaffery                       | Materials Science                  | Absent         |
| Justyna Derkach (Certified Member) | Chemical                           | Present        |
| Kent Wheeler                       | Civil                              | Regrets        |
| Maneesh Khanna                     | MMRI                               | Regrets (Until |
|                                    |                                    | November)      |
| Frances Lasowski                   | CUPE                               | Absent         |
| Omar Danta                         | BTech                              | Regrets        |
| Peter Jonasson                     | Engineering Physics                | Absent         |
| Tyler Ackland                      | Electrical & Computing Engineering | Absent         |
| Julia Licata                       | Computing and Software             | Regrets        |

| Consultants  | Department | Attendance |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| Dane DeMan   | EOHSS      | Present    |
| Chris Hurley | EOHSS      |            |

| ISSUES FOR CENTRAL TO ADDRESS  | <b>Action Items</b>                             |  |
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| 1. Minutes & Announcements   |   |  |
| Minutes Approval:  |   |  |
| Ian Bruce, Faculty Co-Chair:   | Final September minutes were submitted to EOHSS |  |
| John Nakamura, Worker Co-Chair:                                      | on October                                      |  |
| Approval of September 2012 minutes                                   |   |  |
| Minor changes were made to the minutes. September 2012 minutes could |   |  |
| not be approved because of not meeting quorum.                       |   |  |
| 2. Business Arising  |   |  |
| Summary for Room inspections – Due in Sept                           |   |  |
| • I. Bruce asked if everyone handed in their summary sheets          |   |  |
| Civil and Chemical are still working on it                           |   |  |
| MMRI just submitted the summary sheet.                               |   |  |
| 3. New Business  |   |  |
| • None   |   |  |
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## 4. Incident Reports

- 1 incident for September
- TA Building While checking pressure on highly flammable gas cylinder containing

- silane gas, student noted lower than expected pressure reading. Student observed corrosion on back of cylinder valve, leaking cylinder was suspected Supervisor suspects membrane malfunction of the valve.
- Corrective measures were to review procedures associated with hazards in the laboratory and development of appropriate emergency protocols.
- TA building is re open.

## 5. Safety Reports

| Area                              | Report Submitted                           |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| B Tech                            | No   |
| CAS                               | No   |
| Chemical Engineering              | Yes  |
|                                   | General areas, some lights out in basement |
|                                   | lab windows were covered.                  |
| Civil Engineering                 | No   |
| ECE                               | No   |
| Engineering 1                     | No   |
| Engineering Physics               | No   |
| General Engineering               | No   |
| CEDT                              | No   |
| Materials Science and Engineering | No.  |
| Mechanical Engineering            | No   |
| MMRI                              | No   |
| SEP                               | No   |

## **6. Central Committee Minutes/Incidents**

| None  |  |
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| 7. Other Business   |  |
| D. DeMan informed that the new ministry of labour poster is now mandatory. You can get a copy from D. DeMan   |  |
| I. Bruce asked if EOHSS can provide any training for some of the labs in ETB in Jamal Deen's area, because they departmental committee in ETB isn't trained enough to inspect labs. D. Keller said, if the lab has hazardous gas, you can contact the supplier of the gas, and they can usually provide training. |  |
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| 8. JHE Restructuring  |  |
| None  |  |

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 14th, 2012 in JHE A114.

Meeting adjourned by Co-Chairs.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you cannot attend this meeting please send regrets to Usama Seraj at <a href="mailto:engfac@mcmaster.ca">engfac@mcmaster.ca</a>