# Faculty of Engineering Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes April 10, 2019

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ISSUES FOR CENTRAL TO ADDRESS	Action Items
None.	

# 1. Minutes and Announcements

Minutes Approval:		
Dmitri Malakhov, Management Co-Chair:		
John Nakamura, Worker Co-Chair:	Mayah 2010 Minutas sant ta	
A few changes made to March 2019 Minutes. Approved, 1 <sup>st</sup> D. Keller, 2 <sup>nd</sup> A. Lenarcic	March 2019 Minutes sent to EOHSS on April 18, 2019	
. Business Arising		
<ul><li>1. Room Inspection Summary Lists (September – August yearly)</li><li>Eng1 handed in their yearly summary (2017-18)</li></ul>		
2. Room inspections – Lab inspections – extra eyes - None		
3. Transporting Chemicals  - Update from L. Allan.  - We (McMaster) don't have documents to prevent the transport of chemicals. There are documents online in the US and UK on transporting chemicals for demonstrations off-site.  -L. Allan will look at writing a document for McMaster.  - Discussion was held on issues regarding the transportation of chemicals (requirements, secondary containment etc.)  4. Followup: L. Allan – Off-campus house inspections  - We did not have anyone assigned to inspection the Westdale Houses.  - Engineering Physics Department (L. Allan and D. Stevanovic) did inspect the Smart House.  -Has drawn up a document for the occupants of the houses outlining the responsibilities. (Garbage day, cleaning interior expectations of occupants)  - Facility Services will maintain the grounds and exterior of building. Contact them if you need anything taken care of inside the house.  - It is the responsibility of the supervisor to inspect the house.	L. Allan will look at writing a document for McMaster.	
<ul><li>5. Followup: L. Allan –Disconnecting exhaust pipes</li><li>Permanent fix to the exhaust issue (ABB-166A) has been confirmed.</li></ul>		
. New Business	1	
None.		

### 4. Incident Reports

- 1. JHE-208: While loosening lathe parting tool, student's finger grazed tip of tool, resulting in cut (stitches required) Students were instructed to keep parting tool in tool holder and anticipate range of motion when making adjustments.
- 2. ABB-359: Individual reported eyes exposed to UV light. Set up an experiment with UV lamp in improvised box in lab. Eye was irritated Experiment will be moved to a more isolated area. Appropriate box for UV lamp and goggles will be purchased.
- 3. JHE-128: Individual reports exposure to HF (46%) vapour while pouring HF into beaker. Was using a new combination sash horizontal slider and vertical lift sash. Individual had sash raised and sliding door open while working with HF. Vapour got up nose/burning. SOP Written by EOHSS and distributed. Supervisor instructed individual on how to safely use fumehood.
- Notes: EOHSS states that there is no minimum limit with exposure in order to seek treatment. Individual should have gone straight to emergency because of the 46% vapour exposure. Potentially EOHSS to add to First Aid Training waiting for confirmation from a medical doctor on their opinion on treatment to exposure (inhale fumes).
- Take HF kit with you to emergency.
- 4. ETB-533/534: (iBIOMED) Student was removing breakout board (component) from raspberry pi (circuit board) and cut hand on protruding pin. Band-Aid issued. Supervisor to purchase additional breakout boards to reduce number of times they are required to be removed during project.
- 5. Chemical Eng undergrad had difficulty breathing. TA asked student to sit down. It was an ongoing medical issue and the student had seen a physician that day with similar condition. Was not working in hazardous condition or chemicals Advised student to go to urgent care. Department followed up.

### 5. Safety Reports

AR	REA	REPORT SUBMITTED	
1.	CAS	No.	
2.	Chemical Engineering	No.	
3.	Engineering Physics/CEDT	Yes.	
		Westdale house: Whitney Ave.	
		<ul> <li>House used for monitoring elderly people</li> </ul>	
		- Stairs into house not safe	
		- Asbestos in dining room in crown molding	
		- 2 washrooms – no soap	
		- Garbage in kitchen overflowing	
		- Smoke Detectors hanging	
		- Who will shovel the snow? City? Follow up	
		ETB: (Eng Phys) Common Grad Office Space. Shrill	

		alarm behind construction area. D. Stevanovic put in a call to Facility Services to investigateNo power outlets in kitchen area. All on same breaker.
		TAB Labs – fine – no issues. (update door signs)
4.	Civil/ADL Engineering	Yes – ADL hard copy given to G. Riddell
5.	General	Yes – Sent J. Nakamura restructuring updates (G. Riddell
		to print out hard copy)
6.	iBiomed	No.
5.	Electrical Engineering	No.
6	Engineering 1	Yes – Yearly summary – nothing major – lights, need dial
		#88 stickers
7.	Mechanical Engineering	No.
8.	Materials Science & Eng.	No.
9.	MMRI	No.
10.	SEPT	No.
11.	НАТСН	No.

#### 6. Central Committee Minutes/Incidents

- 1. Defibrillators: Inspections of the units is the responsibility of the person/department that has purchased the defibrillator.
- -How do you inspect them? Battery?
- Was there a manual attached to the unit?
- Add these units to the list of inspections to be done in the building.
- E. McCaffery has volunteered to take care of the inspections of the defibrillators owned by Engineering.
- 2. Traffic on campus: New legislation to deal with distracted driving (legislation came into effect January 2019)
- 3. Annual Summary Incident Report:
- Lots of slips/trips/falls (not necessarily weather related)
- Spilling liquid in buildings Mohawk College has a wipes dispenser you can use to wipe up spills easily accessible to all.
- 4. Use handrail so you don't fall.
- 5. Over exertion from heavy lifting and ergonomics assessment. Go to EOHSS website and assess your workstation.

#### 7. Other Business

- 1. M. Han (email re: HVAC)
- Received an email from Facility Services that they are going to replace the HVAC.
- -This will affect the ventilation of fumehoods
- Use the contact info included in the email to follow up re: any questions/concerns you might have.

- 1. Mechanical Engineering: M. Lee
- Electronic SDS is acceptable. Paper is no longer required.
- -All workers must have access to SDS in the lab (on a computer)

## 8. JHE Restructuring

None	

Motion to adjourn:  $1^{st} - D$ . Keller and  $2^{nd} - D$ . Stevanovic.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 8, 2019 in JHE-A114 at 9:30am.

 $PLEASE\ NOTE:\ If\ you\ cannot\ attend\ this\ meeting\ please\ send\ regrets\ to\ Ginny\ Riddell\ at$ 

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