Faculty of Engineering Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes April 13, 2022 (Virtual Meeting)

Management Member	Department	Attendance
Jonathan Bradley	Engineering Physics	Present
Robert Fleisig	Experiential Learning Office	Present
Fei Geng	SEPT (BTech/SEP)	Absent
Raja Ghosh	Chemical Engineering	Absent
Yiping Guo	Civil Engineering	Regrets
Wenbo He	Computing and Software	Absent
Doug Keller - (Certified Member)	Management Cert. Member	Present
Marek Niewczas	Materials Science	Present
Shahin Sirouspour	Electrical Engineering	Absent
Kristina Trollip	Management Staff Rep.	Absent
Stephen Tullis (Co-Chair)	Mechanical Engineering	Present
Vacant – Alumni	Alumni	-
Worker Member	Department	Attendance
Tyler Ackland	Electrical Engineering	Absent
Parmveer Bola	iBiomed	Absent
Monica Han	Civil	Present
Maddison Konway (CUPE)	CUPE	Absent
Michael Lee	Mechanical Engineering	Present
Natalie Mari	SEPT (BTech/SEP)	Present
Heera Marway	MMRI	Absent
Ed McCaffery	Materials Science	Present
Simon McNamee	Engineering Physics	Present
John Nakamura (Co-Chair)	Computing and Software	Present
Timothy Stephens (Certified Member)	Chemical Engineering	Present
Doris Stevanovic (Certified Member)	CEDT	Present
Kent Wheeler	Civil	Present
Vacant	General Eng	
Vacant	Biomedical	-
Vacant	Hatch Building	-
Consultants/Guests	Department	Attendance
Leah Allan	EOHSS	Present

ISSUES FOR CENTRAL TO ADDRESS	Action Items
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None.	

1. Minutes and Announcements

Minutes Approval:	
Stephen Tullis Management Co-Chair:	
John Nakamura, Worker Co-Chair:	
March 2022 – No changes to the minutes.	
Approved: 1 st D. Keller, 2 nd . D. Stevanovic	March 2022 Minutes sent to EOHSS on April 13, 2022

2. Business Arising

1. Room Inspection Summary Lists (September–August yearly)	
- None	
2. Room inspections – Lab inspections – extra eyes	
-None	

3. New Business

None	
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4. Incident Reports

1. Materials Science and Engineering - While using a scraper to remove prints from 3D printer bed, student cut thumb. No First Aid required.

John Hodgins Engineering - A205.

Supervisor to provide specific instructions on how to remove printer blocks from printer. Blocks that are difficult to remove will be removed using a saw or prints will be sent to machine shop.

2. Not reported but there was discussion of a fire in JHE Lobby, but the incident reports were filed by Security as most incidents involved minor smoke inhalation but no medical follow up was required. Fire was contained by use of fire extinguishers. No incident reports filed by Engineering. Further discussion continued regards to details. Cause was a Kipling prank where sign was hung, and which fell onto a table. A student called security who arrived and put out the fire. Investigation revealed the sign contained faulty electronics but because the components were destroyed it is undetermined which part of the power supply was at fault. All design drawings looked fine.

5. Safety Reports

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AREA	REPORT SUBMITTED
1. CAS	No.
2. Chemical Engineering	No.
3. Engineering Physics/CEDT	No.
4. Civil/ADL Engineering	No.
5. General	No.
6. iBiomed	No.
5. Electrical Engineering	No.
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7. Mechanical Engineering	No.
8. Materials Science & Eng.	No.
9. MMRI	No.
10. SEPT	No.
11. HATCH	No.

6. Central Committee Minutes/Incidents

- 1. Update on website to an Education and Training component Work Refusal Program. Reminder there is an internal responsibility system. It must be understood how this ties into the Work Refusal Program. Workers have 3 fundamental rights according to Occupational Health and Safety Act. The mechanism of reporting to a supervisor who then starts the process in a timely manner. If no consensus is reached, then the Ministry of Labour can be called.
- 2. Noted that the stay-at-home policy based on symptoms of Covid-19 have changed.

7. Other Business

L. Allan:

First week in May is Safety and Health week (May 2, 2022). The plan is to be low key this year. There will be a luncheon inside the McMaster University Student Centre Atrium and, partnering with Facility Services this year, box lunches, refreshments and ice-cream will be provided. All safe Covid-19 protocols will be kept in mind. People may eat inside or outside, weather permitting.

Wellness Week. Details will be in a newsletter.

Annual Health and Safety award will be handed out at the lunch. General request was made to please nominate someone. Link provided in chat: https://hr.mcmaster.ca/health-and-safety-award-of-excellence-2022/

An update to masking requirements will be coming. It appears the mandate will be extended through the month of May, 2022.

Doris:

At the last central meeting, they were encouraging the continuation of physical distancing.

8. JHE Restructuring

- None

Motion to adjourn: 1st D. Keller and 2nd D. Stevanovic

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 11, 2022

PLEASE NOTE: If you cannot attend this meeting please send regrets to Caroline at thehub@mcmaster.ca