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Faculty of Engineering
Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes
June 10th, 2026 (Virtual Meeting)

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Member	Department	Type	Attendance
Al-Fadhi, Abdullah (Aboud)	FUSE	Worker Member	Present
Arbi, Ramis	Engineering Physics	Worker Member	Absent
Bola, Parmveer	Biomedical	Worker Member	Absent
Bradley, Jonathan	Engineering Physics	Management Member	Regrets
Brook, Amelia	Civil	Worker Member	Present
Cleaver, Jim	Machine Shop	Worker Member	Present
Culley, Doug	Materials Science	Worker Member	Absent
Danta, Omar	SEPT	Worker Member	Present
Deboer, Arina	Materials	Worker Member	Absent
Geng, Fei	SEPT (BTech/SEP)	Management Member	Absent
Ghosh, Raja	Chemical Engineering	Management Member	Absent
Giamou, Matthew	Computing and Software	Management Member	Present
Han, Monica	Civil	Worker Member	Present
Harwood, Ron	Electrical Engineering	Worker Member	Absent
Kish, Joey	Materials Science	Management Member	Absent
Laframboise, Lisa (Certified Member)	Chemical Engineering	Worker Member	Present
Lee, Michael	Mechanical Engineering	Worker Member	Absent
Longley, Jeff (Certified Member)	General Eng & Civil	Management Member	Present
Mak, Lawrence	General Eng	Worker Member	Present
Malakhov, Dmitri	Materials Science	Management Member	Present
Marway, Heera	MMRI	Worker Member	Present
McCaffery, Ed	Materials Science	Worker Member	Absent
Nahid, Babak	Electrical Engineering	Management Member	Absent
Nakamura, John (Co-Chair)	Computing and Software	Worker Member	Present
Olaizola, Stephan	Electrical Engineering	Worker Member	Absent
Princz, Marta (Certified Member)	Biointerfaces Institute	Worker Member	Present
Raja, Haseeb	Civil - ADL	Worker Member	Present
Rajabzadeh, Amin	Biomedical	Management Member	Absent
Sabados, Maya	Biomedical	Worker Member	Present
Sathiyavanthan, Suba	University Health and Safety	Consultant	Present
Shakib, Aryen	CUPE Unit 1	Worker Member	Absent
Stephens, Timothy (Certified Member)	Chemical Engineering	Worker Member	Present
Stevanovic, Doris (Certified Member)	CEDT	Worker Member	Present
Tullis, Stephen (Co-Chair)	Mechanical Engineering	Management Member	Present
Waldon, Emily	Outreach	Management Member	Absent
West, Leanne (Certified Member)	Biointerfaces Institute	Management Member	Absent
Xu, Fei	CUPE Unit 3	Worker Member	Absent
Yang, Cancan	Civil Engineering	Management Member	Absent
Zhang, Boyan	Biomedical	Management Member	Absent

Vacant	FUSE	Management Member	-
Vacant	180 Bloor Street	Worker Member	-
Vacant	Biomedical	Worker Member	-
Vacant	Hatch Building	Worker Member	-

ISSUES FOR CENTRAL TO ADDRESS	Action Items
None.	

1. Minutes and Announcements

Minutes Approval: Stephen Tullis Management Co-Chair: _____ John Nakamura, Worker Co-Chair: _____ May 13 th , 2026 Minutes were approved by 1 st by D. Stevanovic and 2 nd by M. Princz with minor changes.	May 13 th , 2026 Minutes sent to UHS on July 22 st , 2026
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2. Business Arising

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

3. New Business

<u>Designated Substance Assessment – Revised</u> -Submitted by S. Sathiyavanthan for review and feedback. Summary of members comments as follows: -Page 1, Date is listed twice, what is meant by locations? should it say room? should a field be added to the JHSC/UHS review? -Page 2, Heading should be formatted for better alignment. Question 5 has part of the check boxes cut off. -Page 3, Question 6 appears to be missing. Other tables have the title in bold or slightly larger to stand out. -Page 10, Add maintenance after preventative. -Page 13, Date and Signed field are duplicated, is this correct? - Suggest changing "employees" to "people" throughout the document to cover students and "workplace" to "University" -Adress formatting as some parts were cut off when converted to PDF. -Add a confirmation for SDS for materials to the form -Add language regarding the signature portion indicating if it should be supervisor or if a committee member. -Add to RMM -Final document will be posted in UHS SharePoint and may be in Microsoft Word format for ease of completion.	
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4. Incident Reports

Presented by S. Sathiyavanthan: Civil Engineering – ADL-B110 Healthcare - Burn – Right Arm <i>Incident:</i> The student was mixing calcium oxide and added water too quickly, leading to a large exothermic reaction and a sustained burn to the arm while moving the hot basin from the mixer. <i>Resolution:</i> Review the SDS, PPE requirements, and mix procedure for calcium oxide.	
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5. Safety Reports

AREA	REPORT SUBMITTED
1. CAS	Some Inspections performed.
2. Chemical Engineering	No.
3. Engineering Physics/CEDT	Two labs in ABB inspected with following infractions for one of the labs: Use of squeeze bottles for acetone, IPA and ethanol. No googles present in lab. Improper labelling of waste bottles. Inspection performed on 2 CDT labs and found the HF Kits need to be replenished, the room was cluttered, some lights were burnt out and required replacing.
4. Civil/ADL Engineering	No.
5. General	No.
6. Biomedical	No.
5. Electrical Engineering	No.
6 FUSE	No.
7. Mechanical Engineering	No.
8. Materials Science & Eng.	No.
9. MMRI	No.
10. SEPT & BTech	ETB basement level showers are not being inspected. 5 th floor cord management at computer benches pose an issue and will be cleaned up over the summer by IT person. Wet and stained tiles.
11. HATCH	No.
12. Machine Shop	No.
13. 180 Bloor Street	No.
14. Biointerfaces	No.

6. Central Committee Minutes/Incidents

-Updated from last meeting, D. Stevanovic reported that the flexible bollards at the crosswalks between ABB, JHE, and the IAHS have been replaced.	
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7. Other Business

Presented by S. Sathiyavanthan: <u>Annual Fire Drills:</u> Annual fire drills have commenced around campus. Monitor building notices for more information and schedules. Fire Wardens are still needed. If you are interested you can reach out UHS. Upon completion of some minor training, notify UHS and they will send a vest to you. Fire wardens are responsible for sweeping the floor and making sure to deter people from the	
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entrances. It is also recommended to have additional fire wardens for larger buildings such as JHE and ABB. -Members expressed concern over the lack of communication when all clear is given from Campus Safety. Previously Campus Safety would drive around giving all clear, however this has not been happening so fire wardens are unsure when it is safe to permit re-entry to the building and are finding this very problematic. It was suggested that Campus Safety consider using the Teams, the McMaster Safety App, or use of walkie talkies to announce/communicate all clear message. <u>Update to Cycle Lanes:</u> As part of early discussions around campus shared path planning, it has been suggested to paint cycle lanes on exiting roads and paths. There is also a plan to run it from Sterling to University to College and out with an additional lane through the Brockhouse Way which passes between ETB. <u>Summer Camps:</u> Summer camps will be starting which will bring an increase in kids to the campus. A reminder to drive slowly and be observant, especially around drop-off zones. <u>Ministry of Labour Visit:</u> The Ministry of Labour visited the campus due to an incident where someone had fallen, slipped, and fell sustaining an ankle fracture as a result wobbly stones outside of the Phoenix. The Ministry mentioned, as apart of your regular inspections, if you have a high hazard area that inspections should performed more frequently. This includes areas that have highly hazardous chemicals or equipment.	
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8. JHE Restructuring

-A reminder that any restructuring should be sent to J. Nakamura and cc'd to J. Longley and the Hub.	
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Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn 1st by D. Stevanovic and 2nd by Omar Danata.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, July 8th, 2026

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