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Faculty of Engineering
Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes
July 8th, 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	Present
Brook, Amelia	Civil	Worker Member	Present
Cleaver, Jim	Machine Shop	Worker Member	Absent
Culley, Doug	Materials Science	Worker Member	Present
Danta, Omar	SEPT	Worker Member	Present
Deboer, Arina	Materials	Worker Member	Absent
de Lannoy, Charles	Biomedical Engineering	Management Member	Present
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	Absent
Harwood, Ron	Electrical Engineering	Worker 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
Marway, Heera	MMRI	Worker Member	Absent
McCaffery, Ed	Materials Science	Worker Member	Absent
Mccann, Ciara	Alumni Relations	Management Member	Absent
Mishra, Swati	Computing and Software	Management 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
Pofelski, Alexandre	Materials Science	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	Absent
Sathiyavanthan, Suba	University Health and Safety	Consultant	Present
Shakib, Aryan	CUPE Unit 1	Worker Member	Absent
Stephens, Timothy (Certified Member)	Chemical Engineering	Worker Member	Absent
Stevanovic, Doris (Certified Member)	CEDT	Worker Member	Present
Tullis, Stephen (Co-Chair)	Mechanical Engineering	Management Member	Regrets
Waldon, Emily	Outreach	Management Member	Absent
West, Leanne (Certified Member)	Biointerfaces Institute	Management Member	Present
Xu, Fei	CUPE Unit 3	Worker Member	Absent

Yang, Cancan	Civil Engineering	Management Member	Absent
Zhitomirsky, Igor	Materials Science	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: _____ June 10 th , 2026, Minutes were approved 1 st by M. Princz and 2 nd by J. Longley	June 10 th , 2026 Minutes sent to UHS on Aug 18, 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

None	
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4. Incident Reports

Presented by S. Sathiyavanthan: Chemical Engineering – JHE-109 First Aid – Irritation – Eyes <i>Incident:</i> While adding wood particles to the batch mixer, the user blew on the particles, causing dust to be blown up into his eye through the safety glasses. <i>Resolution:</i> Update the SOP to include the use of safety goggles, and add material to the mixer in a slow, controlled manner to minimize the release of dusty particles.	
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5. Safety Reports

AREA	REPORT SUBMITTED
1. CAS	Yes, report received by M. Robinson. Removed lead solder.

2. Chemical Engineering	Yes, some offices and labs, housekeeping issues such as cleaning out the fridges. Stained ceiling tiles and burnt-out lights need replacing. Unlabelled samples and bottles found in some labs.
3. Engineering Physics/CEDT	Door signs needing updated, warped shelves. Reinspection of problematic space.
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	Yes, report received by M. Robinson. Stained ceiling tiles, broken windows, loose cables, emergency procedures signage need updating.
11. HATCH	No.
12. Machine Shop	No.
13. 180 Bloor Street	No.
14. Biointerfaces	No.

6. Central Committee Minutes/Incidents

-D. Stevanovic reported that there was not a meeting held in July. The pedestrian vehicle safety program is still ongoing. Paradigm Transport Solutions has been brought into consult. Also, a separate safety group has been formed for the downtown McMaster offices and reported that there is a new Police Hub at Jackson Square.	
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7. Other Business

- S. Sathiyavanthan reported that there will be some upcoming changes to the emergency procedures. Currently when there is a critical injury you are to call 911 instead of 88. Details on the new process are being finalized, and an update will be forthcoming. She will post a link in Teams to the new posters. - S. Sathiyavanthan also reported that eye wash stations and the safety shower annual certifications are going to be happening. Building notices will be sent out as communication, and they're just looking for access for labs that they don't have access to. -A reminder that McMaster summer camps are underway and to be mindful that there is an increased youth presence on campus. -J. Longley reported that one of the locks for the JHE gas cylinder cages is causing some issues. While the key turns you will need to pull hard on the lock. Alternative options are being explored to resolve the issue.	
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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 L. Laframboise

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 12th, 2026

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