



## **Laboratory Safety Committee Meeting**

**Minutes of Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

10:30 – 12:00 PM, SSB 4220

**Present:** K. Baines, K. Galil, R. Maslen, A.M. McCusker, J. Millar, S. Mittler, J. O'Brien, S. Salisbury, J. Stanley, B. Thai, J. Whitty

**Regrets:** J. Dickey, R. Sharma

**Recorder:** S. Xhiku

### **1.0 Approval of Agenda**

Motion to Approve: S. Salisbury

Seconded by: K. Galil

Agenda Approved.

### **2.0 Approval of October 28, 2011 Minutes**

Motion to Approve: R. Maslen

Seconded by: S. Salisbury

Minutes Approved.

### **3.0 Membership Changes**

Boun Thai is new UWOSA representative, replacing Jackie Sparks.

### **4.0 Business Arising**

#### **4.1 Lab Safety Inspections**

##### **4.1.1 Inspections 2011**

Noncompliance decreased for Schulich, increased for Engineering and Science. The overall compliance compared to 2010 was worse in 2011. The compliance categories were changed to include “Requires Improvement” for minor issues. All corrective actions have been completed for 2011.

## **4.2 Program Improvements**

### **4.2.1 Inspections 2012**

Surface Science Western was inspected in 2011 and resulted in 50% noncompliance and 10% needs improvement. During the inspection this year all non-compliance violations were corrected at the time of inspection. The next inspections will be in Engineering. The new program was discussed with the Dean of Engineering and he is supporting the changes. Once violations have been identified, the PIs and the inspector will arrange a date to follow-up on the corrective actions, usually a week from the inspection. The 2012 inspections will aim to resolve any issues immediately whenever possible.

## **5.0 Other Business**

### **5.1 Liquid Nitrogen Update**

If the elevator is large enough to carry a litre then the cryogenic liquid can be transferred via the elevator by a person. The process is being phased in as signs are being installed on the necessary elevator.

## **5.0 Adjournment**

Motion to move: S. Mittler

Seconded by: K. Galil

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.