

Report from Darlene Bailey (ADCE Safety Rep)
on Safety Committee Meeting Tues. Jan 26/82.

The safety committee met at 9:30 AM instead of the usual 10:30 and as a consequence we had a fewer number of people present than usual. The meeting was one of the most amicable and productive meetings since I assumed office (Feb 81). The agenda was as follows:

- ① Terms of reference for President's Advisory Committee on safety, Security and Fire Prevention (tabled to Feb meeting at my request.)
- ② Committee on the use of Video Display Terminals
- ③ Chemical Truck Disposal investigation (Tabled to Feb meeting all people responsible for the investigation were absent)
- ④ Further investigation into specific accidents
- ⑤ Accident and Industrial Disease Report
- ⑥ Traffic Reports.

It has been agreed that a committee will be formulated to look into Video Display Terminals. The bulk of time was spent discussing this committee. After thorough debate the safety committee came to agreement that the committee on Video Display Terminals shall be composed of the following:

- ① Users (these positions will be responsible for representing all users on campus whether union, nonunion, faculty, staff or student even though the positions will be assumed by union users. It was my recommendation that these positions represent all users on campus)
- ② Technical Expertise (the management will be represented by people who can offer some form of

technical expertise in the field of video display terminals. This has been further subdivided into the following categories:

- ① systems expertise
- ② bibliographic expertise
- ③ medical expertise)

The committee has agreed that AUCE should have the highest representation since it is the largest user on campus, however we are not able to accommodate Wendy Bice's suggestion as proposed in her letter to Robert Grant dated Jan 13, 1982. The safety committee would like to see the "Video Committee" remain small in order to function most effectively and I have stressed that point. As a consequence, the safety committee has proposed the following structure, (subject to acceptance of the unions)

- ① 2 AUCE reps
 - ② 1 CUPE rep
 - ③ Jack Lee (computing centre) *
 - ④ Eric de Bruijn (library) *
 - ⑤ Dr. Jeffrey(s)? (Health care and epidemiology) *
- * The last 3 people proposed are subject to the acceptance of the position by themselves.

The unions will be free to put whoever they choose on the Video Display Terminal committee. (I choose not to sit on this committee as I do not use the terminals often and I do not feel that I could adequately represent those who sit before them 7 hours a day; however, I feel that whoever fills these positions will need to keep me well informed of the proceedings and progress.

Once the committee is functioning, a Plan of Action for review by the Central safety committee will need to be established and it will be up to the "Video Committee" to decide whether they wish to keep the central safety committee informed through the forwarding of their minutes or by Progress reports.

In response to Wendy Bice's last suggestion that "this committee be separate from the President's Advisory Committee on Safety" the central committee has agreed that the committee need not be composed of people from the Central Safety Committee however, if an individual who sits on this committee has knowledge that they could contribute to this "Task Force" they should not be excluded. I agreed with this concept. This is the essence of the discussion to date.

There was an accident involving a stack attendant who sustained injuries to his/her neck, shoulder and arm while pushing a ~~back~~ truck. Eric is going to check the back forms and find out what happened as he was unaware of the accident himself. This was not discussed at the safety meeting although I learned of it through the Accident Report. I will inform you concerning the circumstances of the accident when I learn about them.

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