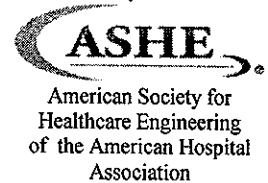




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## **"SERVING THROUGH ENGINEERING"**

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HFMADV is an affiliated chapter of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering we were organized in 1949. Meetings are normally held at 6:00 PM the first Tuesday of the month (**except June, July and August**) at The Radisson Hotel 2400 Old Lincoln Highway, Trevoise, PA 19053 Ph: (215) 638-8300

### **THE CALL TO ORDER**

Because of the snow forecasted on the 11<sup>th</sup>, the 2011 January monthly meeting was held on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> at the:

**The Radisson Hotel**  
2400 Old Lincoln Highway,  
Trevoise, Pennsylvania 19053,  
Phone: (215) 638-8300  
Fax: (215) 638-4377.

The meeting registration started at 5:30 with the social networking period. The meeting started at 6:00 pm.

President Chuck Kluge called the meeting to order; officers and attendees recited the pledge of allegiance and made self-introductions.

Jeff Henne belatedly presented Andy Spangler from Assa Abloy a plaque honoring his service to our organization as the recipient of the 2010 Annual Recognition Award. Andy helped our organization out with a lot of information and support to help Robert Roop resolve our Door Pin Issue.

Past President Jeff Henne was presented a plaque honoring his past service to our organization as President. Everybody knows Jeff; Jeff is everywhere, and he's not going away. He "IS" very active in a number of roles in our group. He deserves all our Thanks, for a Job Well Done!

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

#### **Due Notice Reminder!**

Dues notices went out over a month ago. Please take the time to send in your information. Any questions please let me know.  
<mailto:joseph.Rawson@fccc.edu>

### **EDUCATIONAL SECTION:**

Education by Virginia Thompson of the EPA.  
**Thompson.Virginia@epa.gov**  
215-814-5755

CEU Credits (1 Hour) were given for the education. Please contact: Jeff Henne by email.  
<mailto:Jeffrey.Henne@fccc.edu>

### **PRESENTATIONS**

I want to thank Virginia Thompson of the EPA for her presentation to our chapter.

The topic was: “*Improve Finances and Patient Outcomes with Green Approaches*”

Virginia went through a myriad of issues that included:

- Compliance with Environmental Laws
- Pharmaceutical Waste—Status: Universal Waste Rule
- New Compliance Requirements for Hospitals (EPA)
- Efficiency, Recycling/Reuse:

**Resources:**

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/assistance/sectors/notetbooks/health.html>

<http://www.hercenter.org/>

<http://www.practicegreenhealth.org/>

[www.noharm.org](http://www.noharm.org)

**ASHE**

**Enhanced Member Communications**

ASHE is streamlining their communications to better meet their member’s needs. Beginning in 2011, be sure to watch for these changes:

**ASHE Insider:** Delivered to your inbox every Tuesday, this new electronic newsletter will highlight the latest news related to health facility management, career opportunities, and the latest ASHE advocacy initiatives, publications, and educational opportunities. You can easily access the most recent edition of the Insider from the ASHE homepage.

**Building Health:** E-mailed to ASHE members every Thursday, Building Health collates recent news in the health facility planning, design, and construction arena.

**Inside ASHE:** The *Inside ASHE* print edition is coming back! Beginning in February 2011, ASHE members will receive the Inside ASHE newsletter on a quarterly basis. Each issue will provide an in-depth overview of an upcoming ASHE

Management Monograph, which ASHE members can access from the ASHE website at no charge. In addition, Inside ASHE will feature a number of articles on hot topics, ASHE chapter highlights, updates from the Advocacy team, news about members on the move, and other great information.

**48th Annual Conference & Technical Exhibition**  
July 17-20, 2011  
Seattle, WA

<http://www.ashe.org/>

**CODES**

Chair: Dan Campbell CHFM, SASHE

The information below was taken from the Joint Commission Online newsletter for January 12, 2011. The changes become effective on July 1, 2011.

**Joint Commission Online**  
January 12, 2011 Page 3 ©2011  
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**New and revised fire alarm and fire protection systems requirements for hospitals**  
In order to maintain Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) deeming authority, The Joint Commission must ensure that its standards and elements of performance are equivalent to the Conditions of Participation

(CoPs). The Joint Commission Board of Commissioners has accepted a revision to existing EP 2 and a new EP 25 under Environment of Care standard EC.02.03.05 (see below), which will be effective July 1, 2011.

**EC.02.03.05:** The hospital maintains fire safety equipment and fire safety building features.  
**EP 2:** At least quarterly Every six months, the hospital tests valve tamper switches and water-flow devices. The completion date of the tests is documented. Note: For additional guidance on performing tests, see NFPA 25, 1998 edition (Section 2-3.3) and NFPA 72, 1999 edition (Table 7-3.2).

**EP25:** Documentation of maintenance, testing, and inspection activities for fire alarm and water-based fire protection systems includes the following:

- Name of the activity
- Date of the activity
- Required frequency of the activity
- Name and contact information, including affiliation, of the person who performed the activity
- NFPA standard(s) referenced for the activity
- Results of the activity

Note: For additional guidance on documenting activities, see NFPA 25, 1998 edition (Section 2-1.3) and NFPA 72, 1999 edition (Section 7-5.2). (Contact: John Fishbeck, [jfishbeck@jointcommission.org](mailto:jfishbeck@jointcommission.org))

Other Changes...

CMS - Significant changes coming up regarding occupancy.

- Hospital/CAH LSC Occupancy Classification: Hospital and CAH component facilities may be classified as new or existing Health Care, Ambulatory Health Care, Business, or other occupancies, as allowed by provisions of the LSC

- State Operations Manual (SOM) Appendices A, I & W are being updated accordingly.

In Summary:

Business Occupancy:

- Facility does not provide sleeping accommodations.
- Facility does not provide medical treatment or services on a 24-hour basis.
- Facility does not provide anesthesia: and
- Patients are capable of self-preservation.

ADVOCACY

Chair: Robert Roop, P.E.  
Co: Joe Rawson SASHE

Robert asked the membership to pass on what the costs would have been to your organization if the advocacy group failed in its goal of pushing the ruling on Fire Door Pins.

GOOD & WELFARE

Chair: Rosalie Kerrigan  
Co: Leon Dender

Ron Richardson had been in the hospital (Holy Redeemer). He has (had) viral pneumonia; He developed a really bad cough that just didn't go away.

**UPDATE:** Ron is feeling much better. He is home now, although still on oxygen. He's getting increasingly bored being on his oxygen "leash" but that's

a good sign! The surgeon was very happy with his progress. Next week he sees the regular doctor and they'll start figuring out when/how he can return to work. Our Best Wishes go to Ron and his Family.

Newsletter

Chair: Charles Kluge CHFM  
Co: Joe Rawson, SASHE  
Co: Jim Shoemaker, SASHE

Please feel free to send to me anything that may be of interest to our members.

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ASHE MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Joe Rawson SASHE  
Co: Jim Shoemaker, FASHE  
Co: Dan Campbell, CHFM, SASHE  
Nothing to Report

Website

Chair: Jeff Henne CHSP, CHEP  
Co: Joe Rawson, SASHE

Ad Book

Chair: Joe Rawson SASHE  
Co: Rosalie Kerrigan

Please send in your add book information including your adds into Joe Rawson, [Joseph.Rawson@fcc.edu](mailto:Joseph.Rawson@fcc.edu) by the end of January.

EDUCATION SEMINAR

Chair: Jeff Henne  
Co: Joe Rawson  
Co: Leon Dender

**HFMADV Spring Educational Conference & Trade Show.**  
NFPA 99 & Certified Healthcare Facilities Manager CHFM Preparation Seminar, with more in the planning.

Mark Your Calendars:  
**Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

To be held at the:

**The Radisson Hotel**  
2400 Old Lincoln Highway,  
Trevose, Pennsylvania 19053,  
Phone: (215) 638-8300  
Fax: (215) 638-4377.

Vendor Conference Exhibitors and Sponsors information coming soon!

**Watch for updates!**

Associate & Social

Chair: Clyde Engle  
Nothing to report!

GOLF OUTING

Chair: Jeff Henne CHSP, CHEP  
Co: Leon Dender  
Co: Roy Mitchell

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report!

ADJOURNMENT

Chuck Kluge adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chuck Kluge Secretary  
*Any corrections, omissions or deletions, please contact me at (215) 481-2763.*

**Next Meeting: February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011**  
Presenter: Jeffrey Henne, CHSP, CHEP, of the Fox Chase Cancer Center

Topic: Regulatory Compliance, Safety Management, and Code Updates

Check our website for up-to-date information.

[www.hfmadv.org](http://www.hfmadv.org)

**FREE  
EVENT**



**You're Invited: PECO Incentives for Health Facilities**



**February 10, 2011 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

## **Learn how to Save Energy and Money with PECO Smart Ideas®**

You're invited to attend an informational session designed specifically for the healthcare industry, including a complimentary lunch. Discover how PECO Smart Equipment Incentives can help your facility with valuable financial incentives that can offset up-front costs, reduce energy costs, and save you money.

**February 10, 2011  
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Hilton Hotel  
4200 City Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19131**

11:30 a.m. – Registration and **complimentary buffet lunch**  
12:30 p.m. – Presentation

To register: <http://pecosmartideashealthcare.eventbrite.com/>

### **You will learn:**

- How to get valuable financial incentives from energy efficiency measures
- Typical returns on investment for various energy efficiency upgrades
- Benchmarking - how to compare facility performance
- Financing options from low-cost loan and grant providers
- From case studies about local healthcare facilities that have already benefited from PECO Smart Equipment Incentives
- About PECO Smart Equipment Incentives Application process—feel free to bring documents for onsite review

### **Questions?**

If you have any questions please call Jennifer Andus at 215-996-3981 or e-mail at [Jennifer.Andus@kema.com](mailto:Jennifer.Andus@kema.com). Please feel free to forward this invitation to appropriate colleagues and associates – thank you.

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