

HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Meeting

November 17, 2011 1:00 PM to 3:05 PM

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations / 830 Punchbowl Street / HIOSH Training Room 427

Members Present:

Robert Aquino (Hawaii Electricians Training Fund), Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. (Associated Builders and Contractors), Chuck Beneke (Covanta), Mark Benson (Hawaii Teamsters, Local 996), Lani Bjork (Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel), Richard Botti (Legislative Information Service of Hawaii), Reynard Burgess (Parsons), Paul Chang (Hawaii Carpenters Union, Local 745), Walter Chun (Veterans of Safety), Joaquin Diaz (Hawaiian Dredging), Kurt Hirose for Michael Redman (HEMIC), Lorna Kaalooa for James Newberry (American Society of Safety Engineers), Jon Kumashiro (Department of Human Resources Development), Pane Meatoga, Jr. (Operating Engineers, Local 3), Walter Medina for Thomas Vendetta (ISWC Division), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Les Onaka (American Society of Safety Engineers), Jim Peck (American Industrial Hygiene Association), Gareth Sakakida (Hawaii Transportation Association), Ed Vidad for Mardi Miyamoto (General Contractors Association)

DLIR Staff:

Audrey Hidano, Director's Office; Jennifer Shishido, HIOSH Administrator; Conroy Dang, Occupational Safety Branch; Ellen Kondo, Consultation and Training Branch; Robyn Sakai, HIOSH; Deirdre Yamasaki, HIOSH (Recorder)

Guests (Public):

Agenda	Discussion	Decision and/or Outcome
Call to Order	Welcome and Introduction Mr. Joaquin Diaz welcomed members of the HIOSH Advisory Committee.	
Roll Call	Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.	
Minutes	A motion was made to approve the August 18, 2011 minutes.	August 18, 2011 minutes were approved.
Recognition of Service of Chair Joaquin Diaz and Daniel Vasilash	Mr. Diaz was recognized for being chair and vice chair 2009-2011. Mr. Daniel Vasilash was thanked for his years of service.	
Selection of Vice Chair	Mr. Walter Chun was nominated.	Mr. Chuck Beneke will become chair. Mr. Chun was elected vice chair.
Director's Comments	Ms. Audrey Hidano thanked members for attending the meeting and wished everyone happy holidays.	
Information From HIOSH to the HIOSH Advisory Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">According to Governor Abercrombie's letter, HIOSH will be one position short from benchmark after restoring 12 positions. HIOSH is currently interviewing for Environmental Health Specialist positions. The interns currently working for HIOSH are interested in applying. Ms. Jennifer Shishido, Ms. Ellen Kondo, and Mr. Moses DeMello will be retiring at the end of this year.HIOSH had four fatalities to report this quarter. The fatalities involved the zip line accident in Hilo, a tree trimmer, a Hilo driver hitting a tree, and a fall from roof.<ul style="list-style-type: none">HIOSH's procedures for fatalities:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Send a letter to the family giving condolences and notifying them of HIOSH's investigation.Meet with the family before releasing the citation.Have press release.	

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Information From HIOSH to the HIOSH Advisory Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOSH did not have any change in SHARP and nothing to report for Hawaii SGEs and CSHPs. • HIOSH may adopt a directive which establishes uniform procedures for OSHA field staff for responding to incidents and complaints of workplace violence and conducting inspections in industries considered vulnerable to workplace violence, such as healthcare and social service settings, and late-night retail establishments. • A motion was made to approve the proposed membership composition of the HIOSH Advisory Committee to include the Department of Human Resources Development, the Veterans of Safety, the Hawaii Farm Bureau, and the Associated Buildings and Contractors as part of the core permanent membership and members on HIOSH's emphasis list will be on the committee for a number of years and then replaced when HIOSH has a new emphasis list. • Mr. Jim Peck (chair), Mr. Pane Maetoga, Mr. Joseph O'Donnell, Mr. Chun, Ms. Lani Bjork, Mr. Jon Kumashiro, and Mr. Paul Chang formed a Trend Evaluation Subcommittee. • All private employers on military bases are under Federal OSHA. Due to the difficulty of getting security clearances, HIOSH will concentrate on other areas. • HIOSH will be having tree trimmer training in February. • The crane standards will be going to the Governor's Office and the public hearing will be help in early February. 	<p>Motion was approved. Every first meeting in February, members will be given a copy of the HIOSH Advisory Committee's mission and guidelines.</p>
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of the Hawaii Farm Bureau's request to be a member of the HIOSH Advisory Committee was distributed. Motion was made to approve the Hawaii Farm Bureau as a member of the HIOSH Advisory Committee. • The HIOSH Advisory Committee will not file a CASPA. 	<p>Motion was approved.</p> <p>Table filing of CASPA.</p>
Information From the HIOSH Advisory Committee to HIOSH		
Around-the-Table Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brochures for the Excellence in Safety Award were distributed. The awards will be presented at the 2012 Governor's Biennial Pacific Rim Safety and Health Conference on April 16-18, 2012. • Member asked when is a forklift considered a crane. Response was when the vehicle lifts over one ton with a hook or wrench for construction projects. • Member noticed fall protection training is sliding, especially for electricians. 	
Next Meeting		<p>February 16, 2012, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., HIOSH Training Room 427</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Deirdre Yamasaki
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Mr. Joaquin Diaz, Chair
HIOSH Advisory Committee