

HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Meeting

February 20, 2014 1:05 PM to 2:33 PM

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

Members Present:

Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. (Associated Builders and Contractors), Chuck Beneke (VPP), Mark Benson (Hawaii Teamsters, Local 996), Richard Botti (Legislative Information Service of Hawaii), Joaquin Diaz (Past Chair), Clayton Kamida (Hawaii Employers Council), Jon Kumashiro (Department of Human Resources Development), Allan Los Banos (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers), Tim Lyons (Hawaii Business League), Pane Maetoga, Jr. (Operating Engineers), Walter Medina (City and County of Honolulu), Dan Miyahira (Department of Transportation), Jim Newberry (Veterans of Safety), Jill Niitani (County of Kauai), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Brian Polis (American Society of Safety Engineers), Rick Ravelo (Hawaii Electric Company), Michael Redman (HEMIC), Gareth Sakakida (Hawaii Transportation Association),

DLIR Staff:

Dwight Takamine, Director of Labor and Industrial Relations; Jade Butay, Director's Office; Tin Shing Chao, HIOSH; Deirdre Yamasaki, HIOSH (Recorder)

Guests (Public):

Eddie Vidad

Agenda	Discussion	Decision and/or Outcome
Call to Order	Welcome and Introduction Mr. Jim Newberry 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 November 21, 2013 and December 12, 2013 minutes.	November 21, 2013 and December 12, 2013 minutes were approved.
Director's Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Director Takamine introduced the new Deputy Director Jade Butay.Director thanked committee for their help and support.One of HIOSH's challenges is retaining staff. At the last meeting, repricing and classification were suggestions. After discussions with DHRD, since repricing had limited options, DHRD gave guidance on how to process higher classifications so staff can get promoted.On March 10, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., at Kapolei High School, HIOSH will look into becoming part of participating high schools' career technical education program.This Legislative Session, HIOSH has requested one Safety and one Health inspector positions so that in case of vacancies, HIOSH will still meet benchmark.	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOSH has the following vacancies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Occupational Health Branch – 3 inspector positions ○ Occupational Safety Branch – 1 inspector position and 1 manager position ○ Consultation & Training Branch – 1 safety consultant, 1 health consultant and 1 manager position • This year, there were three accidents/fatalities concerning a fall through a skylight, working on a power line, and operating a roller. • Since October, HIOSH has added manufacturing to its inspections. 	
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill to create a HIOSH Advisory Board was deferred. • The partnership between HCC and DOE has evolved into working with consortium of academies. Members have volunteered to review and enhance the teacher's curriculum. 	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion was made to use VPP companies, HPOWER, Monsanto and Chevron, to help C&T with their training. 	
Information From the HIOSH Advisory Committee to HIOSH		
Around-the-Table Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment was made that there is inconsistency with HIOSH's inspections. • Governor's Pac Rim conference will be held on May 7-9, 2014. The committee is looking for sponsors. • Ms. Jill Niitani is looking for online training. Suggestion was made to work with Mr. Ray Welch or use WMBUS. 	
Next Meeting		May 7, 2014, Hawaii Convention Center at 10:15 a.m. – Room 324

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Deirdre Yamasaki
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations/HIOSH

Mr. Jim Newberry, Chair
HIOSH Advisory Committee