

# HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Committee Meeting

May 16, 2013 1:03 PM to 2:24 PM

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

**Members Present:**

Robert Aquino (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers), Malcolm Barcase, 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), Donald Gentzler (Operating Engineers, Local 3), Dr. Frank Izuta (First Medical Group), Jason Kobayashi (Department of Education), Jon Kumashiro (Department of Human Resources Development), Walter Medina (City and County of Honolulu), Jim Newberry (Veterans of Safety), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Les Onaka (American Society of Safety Engineers), Gareth Sakakida (Hawaii Transportation Association)

**DLIR Staff:**

Audrey Hidano, Director's Office; Diantha Goo, HIOSH; Deirdre Yamasaki, HIOSH (Recorder)

**Guests (Public):**

Tristan Aldeguer, Roger Forstner, Denise Modglin, Ray Welch

Agenda	Discussion	Decision and/or Outcome
<b>Call to Order</b>	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Mr. Chuck Beneke welcomed members of the HIOSH Advisory Committee.	
<b>Roll Call</b>	Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.	
<b>Minutes</b>	A motion was made to approve the February 21, 2013 minutes.	February 21, 2013 minutes were approved.
<b>Director's Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deputy Director Audrey Hidano thanked everyone for attending.</li> <li>• If anyone has any questions or concerns, they should contact Director Takamine.</li> </ul>	
<b>Information From the HIOSH Advisory Committee to HIOSH</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIOSH has two consultant positions vacant. One position is being offered and the other position was announced internally. Mr. Jim Newberry will help post vacancy announcements on the web.</li> <li>• Next week, HIOSH will be conducting interviews for the consultation branch manager.</li> <li>• For enforcement, HIOSH has one safety and one health inspector position vacant. The safety manager position is still vacant.</li> <li>• On the Big Island, there was an accident concerning high voltage. The case is still under investigation.</li> <li>• There was an accident concerning two people caught in a trench. The case is still under investigation.</li> <li>• There has been falls from mobile scaffolds in the Chinese community. HIOSH will try to do an outreach training.</li> <li>• HIOSH's inspection numbers are good.</li> </ul>	
<b>Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report/representative available.</li> </ul>	
<b>New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Handout was given on Hawaii OSH Changes Construction Safety Regulations Regarding Inspections. HIOSH is willing to give presentations concerning the changes. Mr. Malcolm Barcase Jr. will report at the next meeting how the Associated Builders &amp; Contractors is affected by this change.</li> </ul>	

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<b>Around-the-Table Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Newberry informed he is on the North Shore Safety Council. The Council will be providing 10 modules of the Safety 101 training. The training is free.</li> <li>• Mr. Mark Benson noticed on HIOSH’s website that HIOSH’s library is closed. HIOSH lost the librarian position in 2009. To help restore the position, it would be helpful if members talk to Director Takamine or their legislative representative. Mr. Ray Welch will create a library using grant money.</li> <li>• Mr. Joaquin Diaz would like Mr. Tristan Aldeguer to represent the General Contractors Association (GCA). Mr. Aldeguer needs to send in a letter from the GCA appointing him as their representative. The Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board is looking into legislative proposals to include more industries for licensing.</li> <li>• Mr. Les Onaka thanked HIOSH for sending the invitations for the OSHA Workshop and Ms. Diantha Goo for being the keynote speaker.</li> </ul>	
<b>Public Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Ray Welch handed out flyers on the Pacific Education Center. See attached.</li> <li>• Ms. Denise Modglin informed Monsanto will be applying for VPP next year.</li> </ul>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>		August 15, 2013, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., HIOSH Training Room 427

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Deirdre Yamasaki  
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations/HIOSH

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Mr. Chuck Beneke, Chair  
HIOSH Advisory Committee