

HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Meeting

February 20, 2020 1:01 PM to 1:50 PM

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

Members Present:

Alexis Natio (American Society of Safety Professionals), Jim Newberry (Veterans of Safety), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Rick Rovello (Hawaiian Electric), Angel Santiago Cruz (UPW); Dan Miyahira (Department of Transportation), Frank Izuta (First Medical Group), Jen Rothen (Local 5), Walter Medina (City and County of Honolulu), Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. (Associated Builders and Contractors Hawaii Chapter), Jennifer Cynn (Local 5)

DLIR Staff:

Norman Ahu, HIOSH; Nicole Bennett, HIOSH; Kaori Caraway, HIOSH; Alan Yamamoto, HIOSH, Roxane Ishimaru, HIOSH (Recorder)

Guests (Public):

Sharon Moscovic (City and County of Honolulu)

Agenda	Discussion	Decision and/or Outcome
Call to Order	Welcome and Introduction Ms. Alexis Naito welcomed members of the HIOSH Advisory Committee. A quorum was present when the meeting was called to order.	
Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion was made to accept and approve the November 21, 2019 minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion passed to accept minutes from August 15, 2019.
Information from HIOSH to the HIOSH Advisory Committee		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOSH's staffing update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HIOSH Secretary position vacant. Roxane Ishimaru will replace as contact. ○ Administrative and Technical Support (ATS) Branch has a vacant CAS position. ○ C&T Branch has one vacant Safety OSH Advisor position. ○ Occupational Safety and Occupational Health branches has several vacancies. • Inspections are low at 48% due to new recruits. • Fatalities - 2 sump pump drowning and auto recycling fire. • Increase penalties effective January 15, 2020, 1.7%. 	

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New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Newberry emphasis on silica. Will there be an adoption to the program? • Walter Medina tracking the new seizure bill. • Walter Medina submitting testimony on the new bill on medical marijuana. • Safety sensitive not defined. • Iron workers are trained certified in CPR and first aid. Employer has discretion to accept the card or not on Federal jobs. • Does anyone have info on post tensioning standards the feds are working on? • Heat stress issue – did anyone hear anything? • New rules and laws? • Any feedback on excavation emphasis? • 	.
Information from HIOSH Advisory Committee to HIOSH		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection numbers are low... 	Mentorship program in place and newbies almost ready to go out on there own.
Around the Table Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Newberry teaching 502 course next week. One day silica class at the BIA next week. • Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625) - Commending Bradley Shields and his team on the way they conducted themselves during an investigation. • Rick Ravelo, HECO – Corona virus preparation – critical workers, implementation, temperature readings for employees, N95's, surgical masks, etc. • Angel Santiago Cruz – Newsletter - Safety section who, why and when to call HIOSH, OSHA, educate members. • Question regarding marijuana card. Cannot use during working hours, cannot work while high. • Jennifer Cynn - Coronavirus discussion – impact on tourism, etc. • Walter Medina – several questions regarding masks. N95's, respirators, etc. Recommendation based on CDC guidelines. Short 6 safety officers. • Alexis Natio – Pac Rim coming in October, looking for sponsors. 	

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Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nicole Bennett – Publish - HIOSH Highlights, also on the website. Anyone have topic suggestions? Upcoming VPPPA conference. OSHSPA Conference May 19, 20, 2020 upcoming. HIOSH hosting.	
Next Meeting		May 21, 2020 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., HIOSH Training Room 427

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Roxane Ishimaru
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations/HIOSH

Alexis Naito, Chair
HIOSH Advisory Committee