

Oregon OSHA

Construction Advisory Committee

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Alden Streatly
Andy Collins
Barry Moreland
Brian Silbernagel
Bruce Roller
Chris Ottoson
Cindy Regier
Dave Davidson

Dave Kaiser
Dave Parsons
Dede Montgomery
Dianna Gray
Ellis Brasch
Gary Beck
Ian Chase
Jamie Jones
Jill McConnell

Marilyn Schuster
Mary Lou Wilson
Peg Munsell
Roger Dale-Moore
Ron Haverkost
Ryan Olson
Tony Barsotti
Tony Howard

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Dave Davidson
Introductions were made

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Dave Parsons, second by Gary Beck, and minutes were approved.

Posted Construction Advisory Committee minutes can be found at:

http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/const_advise.html

Lessons Learned:

Ryan Olson, from CROET at OHSU, (along with Jamie Jones of CROET) gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Oregon Fatality Assessment & Control Evaluation (OR-FACE) program. Topics covered were:

- Goals of the program (<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/croet/outreach/or-face/priorities/index.cfm>)
- Why investigate/research construction falls? It's the third most common event in Oregon occupational fatalities.
- Preventing construction fatalities: using "Tool Box Guides" – they currently have 8 in draft form.
 - They would like to get on-site to complete field studies and are currently looking for volunteers. Please contact [Ryan Olson](#) if interested.

Chris Zimmer, OR-OSHA Health Compliance Officer, showed a PowerPoint presentation on lead in construction. More information can be found on Oregon OSHA's website: <http://www.orosha.org/subjects/lead.html>.

Continuing Business:

Status of rule making –

Rulemaking updates can be found at:

<http://www.orosha.org/pdf/rules/2012development.pdf>

A brief update by Peg Munsell:

Proposed Changes with Federal OSHA amendments for **GHS for Hazard Communication in General Industry, Construction, and Shipyard Employment**: Finalized with delayed effective date.

Confined Space Rule: Finalized with effective date of April 1, 2013.

Protective Personal Equipment (PPE) in Construction: Oregon OSHA, working with the Construction Advisory Committee, has developed draft rule text for PPE in construction that essentially mirrors the PPE rule in general industry. The PPE rule in construction will not require employers to verify that the required workplace hazard assessment has been performed through a written certification. Oregon OSHA will also change the general industry hole covering requirements for holes in floors, roofs, and other walking/working surfaces, to include skylights and skylight screens. Requirements for general industry and construction will be the same. Proposed rules will be filed fall 2012. Three public hearings will be held in January 2013.

Employer Knowledge: Public forums provide an opportunity for informal conversation about whether a rule could help clarify the issue of employer knowledge, particularly when Oregon OSHA is able to determine that a supervisor either knew or should have known about the violation in question. Public forums are scheduled for November 7, 2012 (Portland), and tentatively for November 15, 2012 (Salem). More public forums will be held after the first of the new year. Assuming that rulemaking goes forward following the conclusion of the public forums, Oregon OSHA anticipates that a stakeholder advisory group may be assembled in late February 2013, with any formal rulemaking proposal some time after that date.

Small Cranes in Construction: The small capacity crane advisory group met to develop draft language for crane operator training when using cranes under 20 tons. The rule will require general industry employers with mobile crews operating small capacity (more than 1 ton but less than 20 ton) mobile cranes to meet the crane operator training requirements found in construction, Division 3, Subdivision CC, or follow the provisions in the draft rule. The draft rules also provide an additional option for operator training for construction employees who operate small

capacity (more than 1 ton but less than 20 ton) mobile cranes. Proposed rules will be filed by the end of the year.

Oxygen-fuel gas: Divisions 2/H, 2/Q, 3/F, and 3/J: Work to update and improve Oregon's oxygen-fuel gas rules for welding in general industry and construction is still underway. Major topics of possible change being discussed are: installation of reverse flow check valves, installation of flashback arrestors, drop and/or leak testing prior to use of equipment, transportations of oxy-fuel gas cylinders in unventilated enclosed vehicle compartments, limiting the practice of cracking to oxygen cylinders only, and training and documentation of training requirements. A rough draft is posted on <http://www.orosha.org/> under Working With You/Advisory Committees/Compressed Gas Advisory Committee.

Overnight Hospital Report:

Dianna Gray gave an update covering October incidents. There were 2 fatalities (fall & point of operation) and 3 construction incidents (MVA, fall and a struck by).

Roundtable:

Ellis Brasch: Notified the group that the *Construction Depot* will be out around November 15th with an emphasis on Fall Protection. Also, a new app is coming soon, "What's wrong with this picture?".

Dave Parsons: Experiencing issues with ODOT temporarily reducing speed on Hwy 34 (Corvallis) for their work zone.

Eliot Lapidus: AGC has an opening for the Salem region. Contact him or visit the AGC website for more information.

Dianna Gray: Thanked Chris Zimmer for attending our meeting and presenting.

Dave Davidson: Asked for final nominations and group voted for him. He will be the 2013 Chair for a second term. (Thanks, Dave!) Also, reminder to the group that next month is the white elephant gift exchange after the meeting (\$20 limit).

Peg Munsell: Announced that the Oregon OSHA Resource Center is still open but with limited hours.

Roger Dale-Moore: Shout out to Jane Kirby of Oregon OSHA and thank you to Ellis Brasch!

Planning for Agenda and for Next Meeting:

When: Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Where: Wilsonville, AGC