

CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING
June 4, 2003
Salem

Members present:

Stan Strickland, chair
Michelle Potter
Joe Miller
Dan Frasier
Frank Upham
Bill Walden
Bob Harris
Barry Jones
Don Berg

Absent:

Mike Murphy
Greg Nutt
Mike Grant
John Killin
Marilyn Schuster

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

1. MINUTES OF THE MAY 7 MEETING AND ACTION ITEMS

The advisory committee approved the minutes as presented.

Chair Stan Strickland said he would follow up with committee member, John Killin, ABC Co., regarding committee membership.

2. HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES (GLOBAL/CURRENT)

Strickland discussed the Injury Free Environment (IFE) and stated he would be contacting Braxton Chambers of LERC.

The committee discussed continuing trends such as Struckby, Lockout/Tagout, preventive injury measures, and how to treat a post-injury. An article on continuing trends will be included in the next OR-OSHA Construction Depot Quarterly.

Strickland had concerns about power lines and the competency inconsistencies, he referred to work site examples. He suggested committee member Mike Murphy be a part of a future discussion.

3. EDUCATION ABOUT OR-OSHA'S SECTIONS

4. STATUS OF CURRENT RULE REVIEW

HB 3010 relating to steel erection is still being reviewed by the legislature.

5. UNIFORMITY ISSUES

GFCI and 10-foot power line uniformity issues were discussed.

Committee Member Joe Miller asked if OR-OSHA had a policy regarding job-site surveillance practices for OSHA compliance officers. Barry Jones, manager of Enforcement, stated that there is not a written policy on this. Generally, we observe a hazard for a brief period of time, then conduct an inspection to stop the exposure.

Portland Field Office Safety Manager Don Berg said that extended time-periods of surveillance were not a general practice of OR-OSHA. Jones encouraged employers to call the OR-OSHA manager if they experienced a compliance officer observing a job-site for an extended time period prior to conducting an inspection.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Strickland asked that future agenda items 2, 3, 4, and 5 be moved under New Business.

New Committee Members:

Strickland introduced new committee member Michelle Potter, Safety Director from Walsh Construction.

Worker Interviews:

Jones presented to the committee, a draft copy of the "Information For The Employee Being Interviewed By An Oregon OSHA Compliance Officer." With minor changes, the committee approved the draft.

Program Directive on Falls in Construction:

Materials on the program directive on falls in construction provided at the May 7, 2003 meeting have been resolved.

7. New Business

Strickland said he will check on the status of the next IFE group meeting.

Since there was no further business for the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

The next meeting will be held July 2, 2003, at the L & I Building in Salem, conference room B.