

CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING
August 2, 2006
L & I Building
Salem, OR

Attendees:

Tony Barsotti, Acting Chair
Joe Miller
Kimberly Gamble
Bob Harris
Bruce Dennis
Dave Kaiser

Attendees:

Marilyn Schuster
Peg Munsell
Don Berg
Bruce Roller
Dale Matlock
Brian Clarke

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM.

1. MINUTES OF THE JULY 5, 2006 MEETING:

It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

2. OLD BUSINESS:

Status of current rule review:

Peggy Munsell and Marilyn Schuster reported on OR-OSHA proposed rule changes. Technical Amendments in Division 1, General Administrative Rules. Division 1 has multiple proposed changes with a public hearing held on August 1, 2006. The record will remain open until August 8. Most significant changes include the reporting of motor vehicle fatalities, exposure to Hexavalent Chromium, and the amendment of Silica in the Z Tables of Air Contaminants. Numerous discussions stemmed from the requirement to report motor vehicle fatalities, and how OR-OSHA will enforce the new Silica rule. The group agreed that articles in trade publications, websites, training publications, and outreach will be key to employer and employee knowledge of the new rule, not necessarily enforcement.

Peggy Munsell stated that the compressed gas rule is an area that OR-OSHA is looking at to proceed with a clear rule rewrite without a reference to the CGA pamphlet.

Outreach:

Some of the ideas the group came up with included:

- Hexavalent Chromium – one possibility is a fact sheet
- Silica proposed change in the PEL – possible topic for the Construction Depot
- Division 1 changes – website information one page summary of reporting required
- Review the need for fleet safety publication

Health and Safety Issues (global/current):

Ladder safety - The group unanimously agreed to remove this item from future agendas.

Construction vs maintenance when working from permanent power – Retain as an agenda item; follow up on a program directive.

Training Opportunities (Revival of JEP) – Joe said Dave Parsons has agreed to work with AGC in gathering names and polling people that might be interested in participating in the JEP program. Joe will bring a draft notice sent to the list of members to the next meeting on September 6.

3. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Health & Safety Issues (global/current):

Marilyn Schuster asked the group if they had heard of a newly formed group in the area called, “Russian American Builders Association,” (RABA). The Acting Secretary is Lane Barlow. RABA is interested in being involved in DCBS and OR-OSHA stakeholder groups.

Kimberly Gamble and Brian Clarke asked Marilyn if the new administrator would be honoring an agreement letter that was signed by past Administrator Peter De Luca. The letter was an agreement to accept training, exposure monitoring, etc. conducted by other employers. **ACTION:** Marilyn asked Margo Cash to research the administrators previous years letter logs for the letter.

Uniformity Issues:

Joe Miller asked Marilyn Schuster if she had heard of Federal OSHA coming out with a VPP Construction Program. **ACTION:** Marilyn said she would ask Mark Hurliman if he could attend the September 6 meeting of the Construction Advisory Committee.

Open Forum:

Dennis Bruce asked about complaints vs citations in construction and how to find the data. There was a discussion on complaints and whether there was a way of determining if the subject of the complaint resulted in a citation. Because of the way the data is entered this cannot be determined from the data base. **ACTION:** Marilyn Schuster will have IMD run a report on the number of complaints, those with citations, and what was cited. And bring to the next meeting.

Brian Clarke suggested that a someone might do their doctorate research program on the comparison of complaints and the citations issued.

OR-SHA has two interns working on their web page and it has been currently updated and does include workplace fatality statistical reports information. Marilyn stated that the interns have done a fabulous job on updating the website. To view the web page, click here:

<http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/fatals/>

There was some discussion on what NECA is doing with the NFPA 70 E. Brian Clarke asked if OR-OSHA had plans to reference the NFPA 70 E. Peggy Munsell replied, “that would require the rewriting of rules, and that there are no plans to do that at this time.”

Future Meetings:

TIME CHANGE: The next meeting, which is scheduled for **September 6, 2006, at 1:30 PM** in Room B, at the L & I Building in Salem.