

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, July 1, 2008

Meeting minutes

Attendees:

Dave Parsons	Dave Kaiser	Barbara Belcher
Michael Wood	Bill White	Jacque Strand
Gary Camfield	David Davidson	Peg Munsell
Yutonah Bowes	Dan Sabatino	Tony Barsotti
Pat Darby	Marilyn Schuster	Brian Alger
Andrew Haymart	Tony Howard	Ron Haverkost

Call to Order 9:00 a.m.

Introductions

Review minutes:

Dave Parsons motioned to accept the meeting minutes for June 2008 as written. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.

Posted Construction Advisory Committee minutes can be found at:
http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/const_advise.html

➤ **Status of current rule review- Peggy Munsell**

- Peggy gave an overview of rulemaking activity:

Safety Committee final Rule status – Met with stakeholders in June; discussed centralized safety committees, who can have a centralized committee, and what requirements must be met. The rule should be re-proposed around July 15th with a hearing in late August. Update, hearing scheduled for August 28th at 9:30 AM at the Labor and Industries Building in room F.

Fixed Site Scheduling rulemaking activity –Stakeholder meetings scheduled for July 7 & 14. Advisory Committee, health issues scheduled for July 29th.

Confined Space – The advisory committee met on June 25th.

Silica - Final rule became effective July 1, 2008

Tony Howard stated that they will be testing for both PELS and will share the final test data with the committee.

➤ **Health & Safety Issues (global/current)**

Permanent anchor- Tony Barsotti – The committee is continuing to meet on a monthly basis. The committee focus is on addressing fall protection at the design phase. The next meeting will be held on July 31st. The committee is still grappling with the life cycle of anchors and how all of the elements of a standard would piece together as far as the installation and re-certification process and the regulation of the anchorage points.

Tony Howard expressed concerns on the need to re-certify anchor points and would like to be sure that any testing is nondestructive.

Several advisory members attended the ASSE conference that was held in June. There was a Fall Protection Symposium that included a discussion on fall hazards and the use of international building codes that include permanent anchors.

Rubber Gloves Testing – Barry Moreland will report at the August meeting

JLG – Dave Parsons – Dave will provide an update at the next meeting.

Nail gun safety – Dave Parsons – There is an industry committee in California drafting a best practices guide for using pneumatic tools that will be more stringent than the CAL OSHA safety regulations (Barkley).

Jacquie Strand distributed for review a safety overview and trigger selection pamphlet on Pneumatic Tools developed by Jacquie and Dave Davidson. They would like to add statistical facts from Oregon OSHA on injuries sustained from the use of pneumatic tools.

➤ **Lessons Learned**

Tony Barsotti shared he had read an article that Intel is circulating about 2 fatalities and an injury. The employees were lifting pre-cast panels. One of the panels torqued and hit an adjacent pre-cast beam that supported the roof panels. The series of deck panels fell to the ground crushing 2 people.

➤ **Open Forum**

-Michael Wood discussed crane safety and Oregon OSHA's efforts in light of the recent media coverage on crane collapses. Oregon OSHA has looked at Oregon crane data and Oregon has not had a crane failure. Oregon will start a short-term emphasis program to look at tower cranes and use the data compiled from the emphasis program to determine what steps Oregon OSHA will take to move forward with crane safety.

Tony Barsotti sent the link to CPWR's [Crane report on crane-related deaths in construction and recommendations for their prevention](#).

Pat Darby asked if OR-OSHA consultants would be available for businesses when they are looking into crane safety. Marilyn will check with OR-OSHA's Consultation section.

Yutonah Bowes, Oregon OSHA's Ergonomic Outreach Coordinator introduced herself and invited members of the Construction Advisory Committee to join the Ergonomics Outreach focus group that will be meeting on July 28th at AGC in Wilsonville at 9:00.

➤ **Planning for Agenda for Next Meeting**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at 9 A.M. in Room B at the L & I Building in Salem.