

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Angie Hannan
Barry Moreland
Bruce Roller
Chris Ottoson
Cindy Regier
Dave Davidson

Dave Kaiser
Dave Parsons
Dede Montgomery
Dianna Gray
Eliot Lapidus
Ellis Brasch
Gary Beck

Hank Lane
Kyle Lewis
Marilyn Schuster
Mary Lou Wilson
Michael Wood
Peg Munsell
Ron Haverkost

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

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Barry, second by Dave K, minutes approve as submitted.

Posted Construction Advisory Committee minutes can be found at:

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

Lessons Learned:

Dave mentioned some “safety contacts” reminders that deal with weather related surface changes for this time of year to include frozen or leaf covered areas for slippery conditions when driving or walking.

Dianna Gray talked about the increase in roofing activity related to roof leaks and the seasonal employee safety issues regarding fall protection and suggested contacting the local field office if there are areas of concern. <http://www.cbs.state.or.us/osha/maps.html>

Angie mentioned a recent safety assist that she attempted along the I-5 corridor concerning employees working from an extensible boom lift (JLG) without fall protection.

Mary Lou furthered the conversation to poll the group about the actual responsibilities or potential liabilities of individuals in this group as safety professionals to stop and address identified hazards of other employees. Intervene or not?

The group on a whole felt it was important when appropriate to stop when other employees are in harms way or potentially violating simple safety rules. Regardless of the results it does impact the safety and health of the individuals.

Continuing Business:

Status of rule making –

Rulemaking updates can be found at:

<http://www.cbs.state.or.us/oshapdf/rules/2010development.pdf>.

Peggy and other Oregon OSHA staff gave an update: Confined space, Dave McLaughlin is doing a side-by-side comparison document of the proposed Oregon Confined Space rule and the current 1910.146 Federal rule. In that analysis, certain operational components were found to be missing. Oregon OSHA is revisiting certain parts of the rule and plans to reconvene the committees in January.

The Standards Improvement Project (SIP III) is finalized. A hearing was held with no comments. Plans are to delay enforcement for the PPE assessment on the torso provision (only) for six months. The effective date for the respirator medical evaluations in the vertical standards is being pushed out until July 1, 2012.

Penalties- The second of two hearings will be held 12/7/2011 at the Portland, Oregon OSHA office at 10:00 AM. The first hearing had a couple of concerns pertaining to the assessment of the good faith.

Michael was approached by the NECA/ IBEW management group to get a sense of possibly creating acceptable training specific requirements for specialty cranes such as digger derricks when used in electrical work that does not involve power generation, transmission and distribution.

Barry mentioned the EEI settlement that Federal OSHA has posted concerning digger derricks and emphasized the difficulty for employers to have operators trained on larger cranes that they will never use.

It was suggested that this advisory committee form a sub-committee to review the industry practices and realities for crane use, looking at types of work rather than industry wide construction crane operations. Revisit the topic next meeting.

Chris and Peggy spoke to issues around lead assessment as it relates to the lead-based paint industry. The [publication](#) and a letter of interpretation dated [July 18, 2003](#) was handed out. If members have additional questions contact Chris @ 503 947 7388

Overnight Hospital Report:

No report this month

Roundtable:

CROET wants to hear from you regarding what resources would be most useful related to programs and interventions addressing total worker health. See our website for more about the Oregon Healthy Workplace Center: <http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/croet/oregon-healthy-workforce-center/index.cfm>. Contact Dede Montgomery at montgomd@ohsu.edu for more information or to share feedback.

Ellis asked for ideas for articles for the January edition of the Construction Depot.

Dave Parsons admirably completed his two year stint as chairman. New chair Dave Davidson will assume responsibilities for 2012.

Planning for Agenda and for Next Meeting:

When: Tuesday, January 3rd, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Where: L&I building second floor room 260