

**Oregon OSHA**  
Construction Advisory Committee  
Tuesday, February 5, 2013

**Meeting Minutes**

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**Attendees:**

Brian Silbernagel  
Bruce Roller  
Chris Ottoson  
Cindy Regier  
Dave Davidson  
Dave Kaiser  
Dede Montgomery

Demetra Star  
Ellis Brasch  
Eliot Lapidus  
Gary Beck  
Ian Chase  
Jane Kirby  
Jill McConnell  
Larry Lovelady

Marilyn Schuster  
Peggy Munsell  
Roger Dale-Moore  
Ron Haverkost  
Teri Watson  
Tony Barsotti  
Tony Howard

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

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made and minutes approved with no changes.

Posted Construction Advisory Committee minutes can be found at:

[http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/const\\_advise.html](http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/const_advise.html)

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***Announcements:***

Tony Howard – Passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteering at the GOSH conference. Room monitors are needed to introduce speakers and assist in the rooms.

Jill – Asked the committee to cancel the March CAC meeting due to GOSH. The group agreed so the next meeting will be in April.

***Lessons Learned:***

Demetra Star spoke on carbon monoxide build-up. They purchased and used a few carbon monoxide sensors which worked great and was inexpensive.

Dave Davidson saw a work site with a vault (confined space) and barriers were set up for fall protection of passer-byers. Great idea.

## ***Continuing Business:***

### **Status of rule making –**

**Rulemaking updates can be found at:**

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

**Confined Spaces-** Oregon OSHA's confined space standard for general industry and construction was adopted September 28, 2012, with an effective date of April 1, 2013.

**Hazard Communication-** Oregon OSHA adopted changes as shown in the March 26, 2012, Federal Register for federal amendments to the hazard communication standard to conform to the United Nations' Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). A brochure and Fact Sheet are almost finalized and currently with the graphic artist.

**Oxy-fuel Gases-** Work to update and improve Oregon's oxygen-fuel gas rules for welding in general industry and construction is still underway. The remaining controversial issues are training and venting of enclosed spaces (passenger compartments and transportation of cylinders).

**Small Capacity 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 provide an additional option for operator training for construction employees who operate small capacity (more than 1 ton but less than 20 tons) mobile cranes. This rulemaking was proposed in December 2012, with three public hearings held on January 24, 29 & 30, 2013. The advisory group still has more work to do and is discussing size of cranes (5 tons or less being more appropriate). The comment period closed on February 21, 2013.

**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.

**Skylights in General Industry-** Included in the PPE rulemaking, 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. This rulemaking was proposed in December 2012, with three public hearings held on January 24, 29 & 30, 2013. Tony Barsotti asked the question on how these changes will be communicated to the building owners? Suggestions were made to do outreach to shopping centers, big box stores, BOMA, retail association, Resource publication, BCD, Fire Marshalls, and check with lobbyists for existing channels.

***Roundtable:***

**Dede** announced the [Women in Trades conference](#) will be held on May 16 – 18, 2013 in Portland.

**Teri Watson** introduced herself. She is the new policy analyst for Oregon OSHA. She passed around a copy of [House Bill 2410](#) (Requires DCBS to request a waiver from the Feds for operation of small cranes mounted on boom trucks.)

**Tony Howard** asked the group to sign up for the Columbia Forklift Challenge at GOSH. Also, Hoffman is hiring so check out their website, [www.hoffmancorp.com](http://www.hoffmancorp.com).

**Ian Chase** spoke on the new ANSI standard for Fall Protection (self retracting lines Z359). It was mentioned that Oregon OSHA has no current plans to adopt.

**Jane** provided copies of two different publications, *Medline Health* and [Simple Solutions](#).

***Planning for Agenda and for Next Meeting:***

**When:** Tuesday, April 2, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

**Where:** L&I Room E