

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Al Lee	Eric Fullan	Michael Netsch
Alta Schafer	Jeff Cordill	Mike Riffe
Barb Epstien	Jeff Golden	Nick Naramore
Bryan Davis	Jeff Luyet	Pat Brunson
Bryon Snapp	Jeff Wilson	Ryan Leffel
Clint Elliott	Jeremy Lawson	Renee Stapleton
Cody Adams	Jim Gibson	Roger Dale-Moore
David Davidson	Kevin Wheatcroft	Roy Kroker
David Douglas	Laird Blanchard	Scott Peabody
Dede Montgomery	Lisa Pickert	Tom Deines
Demetra Star	Mark Tobiasson	Wil Sims
Dennis Bonin	Mary Lou Wilson	
Emily Crews	Michelle Brunetto	

The meeting was called to order by Mark Tobiasson
Self-introductions were made.

Lessons Learned:

[Electronic filing deadline is December 31, 2017.](#) Employers have until midnight on December 31, 2017 to enter their 2016 300A data.

Companies are seeing more aggressive drivers in the work zones. There was an incident where a van came through the work zone on the side walk at a high rate of speed and hit the fence, trees, and vehicle before he returned to the road. No one was injured.

There was a hypothetical discussion on tri-pod use and vehicles running through and hitting the tri-pod. Best practice would be to use hard barriers and follow the traffic control plan.

ODOT is looking into traffic issues around road closures and road work. It was asked if OR-OSHA would partner with ODOT on the "Give them a break" campaign.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

Penalties:

There was a public hearing on the penalty update and comment period is open until 12/15/2017. [The proposed rule would increase the maximum penalty for a serious violation from \\$7,000 to \\$12,471. It would increase the maximum penalty for willful or repeated violations from \\$70,000 to \\$124,709. The base penalties set for serious alleged violations would increase similarly. Alleged violations at the lowest level of the penalty structure would not increase. Oregon's smallest employers \(10 or fewer\) would see an additional 15% reduction from the base penalty for size, changing the reduction from 60% to 75%.](#)

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

Accidents

1. November 17th Tillamook
A mini excavator ran over a workers leg breaking bones. The employee was working behind the excavator smoothing out gravel when the excavator reversed and ran his leg over.
2. November 11th Salem
Employee was climbing down a ladder from a flat-roofed commercial building. The bungee cord that was securing the ladder broke. The ladder started to slide and the employee fell approximately 15' – 20' to the concrete below and shattered both heels. Injured employee was taken to Salem Hospital and admitted overnight for medical treatment. He was released on 11/13/17.
3. November 13th Salem
Working with circular saw cutting piece of pressure treated board at an angle. Pulled guard level on saw back to make a straight cut, then released lever. Before the lever went back into the proper position, the saw struck the board. It kicked back and struck the worker's left thumb.
4. November 12th Coos Bay
Employee was installing a plastic tarp on a residential roof. The employee disconnected her harness to relocate the life line on top of the plastic. The employee fell 25' to 30' to the ground below resulting in a fractured pelvis and ribs.
5. November 6th Bend
Victim fell from the second floor to the ground on baker scaffold. The scaffold was placed on an upper deck area. The wheels on the scaffold were not secured and a wheel went off the area resulting in a broken femur and a head injury.

Fatalities

1. November 28th Aloha
A worker had an apparent heart attack while working in the paint spray booth (not conducting painting at the time of death). Male- 47
2. November 22nd Eagle Point
The employee/truck driver struck another truck head on. Male- 43
3. November 21st Eugene
Log rolled over employee. Crew boss. Male- 45
4. November 17th Klamath Falls
An electrician fell from an elevated level while working on a motor. The 28 year old male landed on and broke through vat cover, falling into vat of hot water.
5. November 16th Klamath Falls
Employee was found deceased in his hotel room. Presumed natural causes. Police are investigating, awaiting autopsy results from the Medical Examiner. Male- 58

6. November 9th Warrenton

An employee experienced a heart attack while at work and passed away. The female employee returned from her break and was doing light work in the home department. She collapsed and was not breathing and CPR was started. Employee passed in route to the hospital. The Medical Examiner reported that she had a massive heart attack. Female- 57

Round table:

There will be a training on the new Silica rule to the Construction Advisory Committee at the February meeting. If you have questions you would like addressed at the training you can email Dave McLaughlin at Dave.McLaughlin@oregon.gov

If there is a topic you would like to discuss at the meetings email Jeff Wilson at Jeffrey.R.Wilson@oregon.gov and we will present at the next meeting.

The group discussed seatbelts in equipment; i.e. forklifts. It is not commonly cited, but it depends on the situation.

Roger Dale-Moore is moving to California. Ryan Lefell will be taking his place.

The O[yes] is looking for a new chair person. If you are interested contact Dede Montgomery at montgomd@ohsu.edu

[The O\[yes\]YES video contest is now open for high school students.](#) The deadline is February 1, 2018.

There is online training for young workers thanks to a grant from OR-OSHA. The young worker training currently available sits on the Oregon OSHA site at: <http://osha.oregon.gov/edu/grants/Pages/oc/oyes-online-training.aspx> O[yes] is currently working on updating the material as it has been sponsored nationally thanks to the ASSE, AIHA, BCBP, and OSU. They will share the information once it is complete.

Next Meeting:

January 2, 2018

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