

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, May 3, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Al Lee	Dede Montgomery	Lisa Pickert
Alden Streatly	Dennis Bonin	Lisa Wisler
Alta Schafer	Doug Pettyjohn	Mark Spring
Amme Standring	Eric Bongen	Mary Lou Wilson
Andrew Groman	Eric Elkins	Mike Jacobs
Andy Haymart	Eric Fullan	Nathan Taylor
Angelica Valdivieso	Gary Gripp	Nick Naramore
Annmarie Earl	Hailey Latherow	Penny Wolf-McCormick
Barb Epstien	Holt Andron	Renée Stapleton
Barbara Hanley	Jamie Ziegler	Rick McMurry
Barry Moreland	Jared Ottinger	Roberto Aguilar
Bill Haskins	Jeff Wilson	Roy Shawgo
Brad Nanke	Jeff Hooper	Ryan Leffel
Bryan Davis	Jennifer Flood	Sean Tinker
Bryon Snapp	Jeremy Lawson	Shane Jundt
Connie Graybeal	Jim Mahar	Stephen Heaven
Dale Lindstrom	Joaquin Diaz	Steve Huson
Darby Ramos	Julie Love	Tosha Gilpin
Dave McLaughlin	Justin Scott	Travis Stone
David Davidson	Kirsten Adams	
David Ellis	Laird Blanchard	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.

Previous Meeting Minutes.

The April meeting minutes were approved.

Lessons Learned & Safety Suggestions:

In Construction Safety Week. Please check your home, for fire extinguishers, carbon monoxide/fire alarms in working order, and make sure you can evacuate your home safely if needed.

Worker fatigue can be an issue once workers are at home, so it is important to take safety home.

City of Bend Police instituted the last 10 minutes paid on the job for officers to do a prescribed mindful app. They found terrific engagement and allowed them to better leave issues/challenges from work and prepare for either the drive home or time with family and community.

Experiencing work place injuries with metal jack sledge hammers. Wrist injuries. Training to use a drop method to reduce the risk of injury. 4 to 10-pound head being used.
What are some solutions to help mitigate and train?

Joaquin Diaz Introduction:

Former Marine Veteran, and integral in how he got into safety. Nuclear biological warfare background in the military and worked in safety on Military projects.

Worked for a vast range of companies in the industry. Approaching 2.5 years with Skanska. Helped Oregon OSHA with some of their rules and getting them updated. President of CSP. Served 3 Gov. in Hawaii as the chair of crane operators' group.

Continuing Business:
Status of Rule Making:

Excessive Heat and Wildfire Smoke:

Oregon OSHA is working on the permanent rule for [Excessive Heat](#) effective date 6/15 and [Wildfire Smoke](#) effective date of 7/1.

Under development

- Ag labor housing- working with the stakeholder groups currently.
- consultation for public entities- the first meeting is May 31st.
- Lead- PEL updating
- Non entry firefighting
- federal OSHA standard improvement process-

Renee Stapleton has been appointed the Interim Administrator of Oregon OSHA.

Oregon OSHA Spotlight:

Each month will be something different that Oregon OSHA will spotlight. If you have any ideas on what you would like covered please let Nathan Taylor or Roberto Aguilar know.

Holt Andron shared Oregon OSHA Consultation Program.

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

If there is an accident or fatality incident that you would like more information on let Nathan and Jeff know so we can track it and can discuss once the case is able to be discussed.

The following is preliminary information as reported at the time of the accident intake.

Accidents

1. April 29th, Klamath Falls
The employee was working on a 6-foot step ladder several rungs up working on the soffit pulling nails when he fell off the ladder, resulting in a broken ankle.
2. April 19th Phoenix
Employee fell while lifting a 6X6 window with customer. The customer was not injured. He fell on his left hip hurting his back.
3. April 18th Gold Beach
The employee was working on an electrical panel box in the maintenance shop, when he received an electrical shock. The employee sustained deep burns to hands and arms. Further investigation on voltage is being done.
4. April 15th Eugene
An employee was pinned between a gantry and a pole sustaining crushing injuries.
5. April 8th Bend
Prior to accident, employee was painting while working on a roof. Due to high winds, work was stopped. Employee was retrieving supplies from the roof, handing down a ladder from the roof, when the wind caught the ladder and employee fell. Estimated 10 ft. fall resulted in a broken hip or femur.
6. April 11th Sweet Home

Electrician was climbing onto forklift type wood splitting machine. Employee was climbing onto fender approximately 2 1/2 to 3-feet off the ground. He fell and struck the back of his head on asphalt resulting in a concussion and skull fracture.

7. April 7th, Springfield

An employee was working at a mobile jobsite, while using a table saw and somehow cut off the tips of three fingers. The employer is unsure how it happened as the employee decided to drive himself to the urgent care and tell the employer after he was treated.

8. April 26th Aloha

Employee was removing or stripping forms from a concrete sidewalk. When the employee went to pull up a form stake he lost his grip and fell backwards. When falling backwards the employee landed onto a stick that punctured his buttocks. Employee was transported via 911 to Emanuel hospital. Employee was admitted in the ER and then immediately transferred into the OR for exploratory surgery as wood fragments will not appear on X-ray. The employee is expected to be discharged later today (4/28/22). The employer's safety committee is convening to review the accident and investigate if there are tools or equipment that are feasible for pulling concrete form stakes.

9. April 22nd Milwaukie

Employee was working with a drill and placed his hand close to the drill. The employee's little finger was pulled into the drill bit. This resulted in a laceration type injury to the little finger that required surgery.

10. April 21st Portland

Employee was installing wood and metal blocking. Took a measurement for small piece of wood (~3.5"). Employee cut 2x6 wood using a skill saw on his moveable cut station. As he cut, the loose part of his glove became caught on the circular saw blade. The glove pulled his thumb into saw blade. The blade cut through end of his finger, fingernail, and the bone. Employee was taken to Legacy Emmanuel. MD cleaned, bandaged, and released to light duty- no hospitalization.

11. April 4th, Portland

Worker finished caulking the siding of a 2nd level residential home. In the process of lowering the pump jack, the worker unhook his harness. The worker loss his balance and fell approximately 12 feet to the ground (hardened soil).

12. April 29th Portland

On 4/29/2022 at approximately 9:30 am, the employee was grabbing/yanking on a concrete wall and it fell onto the lower half of the employee's body. The concrete wall's dimensions were about 5' 1" length, 3' 10" width, and 6" thick. The injured employee was taken to St. Vincent's hospital then transferred to OHSU. From the medical examination, one of the employee's knees was broken and had some bruising (i.e., which knee is unknown at this time). The employee was treated and then hospitalized overnight for further observation. The employee was released and sent home on 4/30/22.

13. April 27th, Hillsboro

Employee got pinned when reaching between a truck that was being unloaded and a fork lift. Extent of injuries undetermined; employee was transported by ambulance hospital and is awaiting tests.

14. April 15th Eugene

Employer reported that employee broke his ankle falling through the ceiling of a garage. Employee was transported by ambulance to Sacred Heart Hospital. Employer was hospitalized and will be having surgery to repair ankle.

Fatalities

1. April 26th, Wilsonville
Deceased was operating screed during project. Dump truck loaded w/ ~ 6-7 tons of asphalt was instructed to back up to the screed. Upon backing up the driver struck and ran over deceased, who fell into the path of the dump truck. 41-year-old male.
2. April 15th, Talent
The employee was walking to his lunch when he grabbed his chest and fell over in an orchard. The fire department arrived and said that the cause was cardiac arrest. 63-year-old male.
3. April 7th, LaPine
The deceased was supposed to be home at approx 11:00am, but did not arrive. His father drove to the site he knew his son was working at and found him in a hoisted boom lift under some power lines. He lowered the boom lift and discovered him unconscious. He immediately began CPR, called EMS and they performed CPR and eventually announced him deceased. The deputies and EMS were both at the scene. 23-year-old male.
4. April 2nd, Klamath Falls
An employee crawled into stacker pocket #4 and didn't lock out using the 6-point system. She had used an air hose to clean up as instructed and was found unresponsive pinned between the pocket carriage and the ground at 3:30 AM PST today. The affected employee has been hospitalized. On 4/3/2022 at about 8:00 PM, the employee passed away as a result of the injuries sustained. 36-year-old female.

Anonymous Questions:

If you have anything you would like to bring up at the meetings and would like to stay anonymous, let Roberto Aguilar or Nathan Taylor know and they will bring it up for you.

There were no questions for this meeting.

Round table:

Dede shared the following:

-reminder the last technical meeting Randy Westmorland presenting

-OSHA-10/11 for young workers: OYes and ASSP discussion on expanding through the state.
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-June 3rd full day virtual event: <https://www.ohsu.edu/oregon-institute-occupational-health-sciences/great-resignation-great-reconfiguration>

Dede was nominated for Region 1 Safety Professional of the Year.

If you have any topics that you would like Oregon OSHA to talk about to the group, please let [Alta Schafer](#) or [Nathan Taylor](#) know.

Next Meeting:

June 7, 2022
Zoom Meeting