

HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Meeting

February 21, 2008 1:00 PM to 2:40 PM

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations 830 Punchbowl Street – HIOSH Training Room 427

Members Present:

Lani Bjork (Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel), Joaquin Diaz (Dick Pacific Construction Co., Ltd.), Clifford Higa (Safety Systems Hawaii), Alan Hiramatsu for Thomas Vendetta (ISWC Division, C&C), Clayton Kamida (Hawaii Employers Council), Charles Kelley (Outrigger Enterprises, Inc.), Paul King (Actus Lend Lease, LLC), Robert Nakamatsu (Department of Human Resources Development), James Newberry (American Society of Safety Engineers), Joseph O'Donnell (Ironworkers, Local 625), Jim Peck for Thomas Goob (American Industrial Hygiene Association), Michael Redman (HEMIC), Gareth Sakakida (Hawaii Transportation Association), Clifford Uwaine (United Public Workers), Daniel Vasilash (General Contractors Association of Hawaii), Richard Vieira (Hawaii Painter's Union), Clayton Winger (Monarch Insurance Service), James Zane (McCabe, Hamilton & Renny Co., Ltd.)

Members Excused:

Ernest Balatinez (Balatinez & Associates Safety Consultants), Richard Botti (Legislative Information Service of Hawaii), Reynard Burgess (Parsons), Paul Chang (Hawaii Carpenters Union, Local 745), Patrick Cheng (Airgas Gaspro), Delbert DeRego (ILWU Local 142, Maui Division), Tracy Hayashi (Hawaii Electricians Training Fund), Janelle Kanuha-Marshall (Marine Corps Community Service), Timothy Lyons (The Legislative Center), Shelley Wheeling-Park (Kaiser Permanente of Hawaii)

Presenters:

DLIR Staff:

Darwin L.D. Ching, Director of Labor and Industrial Relations; James Hardway, Director's Office; Jennifer Shishido, Director's Office; Jamesner Dumlao, HIOSH (Operations Manager); Dan Hanagami, HIOSH (Business Facilitator); Ellen Kondo, HIOSH Consultation and Training Branch (Manager); Clayton Chun, HIOSH Occupational Safety Branch (Supervisor); Deirdre Yamasaki, HIOSH (Recorder)

Guests (Public):

Chuck Beneke, Covanta; Gaylord Yoshimura, Pankow

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Call to Order	Welcome and Introduction Mr. Zane welcomed members of the HIOSH Advisory Committee.	
Roll Call	Sign-in roster was circulated. Quorum was present.	
Approval of Minutes	There were no corrections or additions to the November 15, 2007 minutes or the amendment to the October 18, 2007 minutes.	November 15, 2007 minutes and amendment to the October 18, 2007 minutes were approved and will be posted on the HIOSH's website.
Information From HIOSH to the HIOSH Advisory Committee		
Update From Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jennifer Shishido is assisting Director Ching on many projects. Currently, there is focus on preventative education. She will still assist HIOSH with education. • As of January, Jamesner Dumlao has officially been the Operations Manager for HIOSH. • Dan Hanagami is assisting HIOSH on getting a lot of protocols and procedures into manuals. 	

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Special Projects Report	<p><u>Small Business Training</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. <p><u>10th Biennial Pacific Rim Safety and Health Conference</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. • HIOSH is hoping the new Region 9 Administrator will attend the conference. 	
HIOSH Activities and Status Report	<p><u>SHARP, VPP, Consultations, Inspections, Fatalities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. <p><u>HIOSH Vacancies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOSH is actively recruiting to fill the following positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ two elevator inspectors; ○ three environmental health specialists; ○ Occupational Safety branch manager; ○ Administration and Technical Support branch manager. <p><u>Legislative Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The federal government is cutting HIOSH's budget by approximately 1.74%. The funding stream for the compliance side will be reduced by \$29,500. The funding stream for the consultation side has not been determined yet. 	
SGEs for SHARP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On January 31, 2008, Director Ching, Ellen Kondo, and Jamesner Dumlao met with various VPP representatives to discuss the roles of mentorship, what the VPP representatives expected of HIOSH and what HIOSH expected of the VPP representatives. • The next meeting will be held on February 28, 2008, 1:00 p.m., at Covanta. 	
DLIR as SHARP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOSH is looking into the possibility the DLIR turning SHARP. • Vacancies of key management positions within HIOSH and DLIR need to be filled first. 	
Workplace Fatalities, including Permasteelisa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. • On February 12, 2008, Permasteelisa's case was heard before the board. • Because the case is still pending, HIOSH is unable to comment. • The general contractor was not cited. 	
HIOSH Newsletter/ Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. • Suggestion was made to use the Honolulu Advertiser as a way to get lessons learned out to the community. 	
Drug Testing Kits – List of Manufacturers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A list of eight companies was distributed. 	

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DOE Inspections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. • Director Ching, Jennifer Shishido, and staff were commended for doing outstanding job at the Board of Education meeting. • Since the Star Bulletin put out an editorial that HIOSH is taking money away from the students, Director Ching requested members' assistance in getting the word out that that was not HIOSH's intent. • DOE's final penalty of \$57,000 was reduced to \$30,000 for improving above and beyond certain safety issues. 	
Crane Operator Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question was asked what requirements are there for rental companies to ensure that the operator or renter is capable of operating the equipment safely. HIOSH does not address that. • A working draft of enforcing instructions for HIOSH's inspectors was distributed. • Within the next couple weeks, HIOSH intends to send a letter with the finalized instructions to those affected. • Suggestion was made to notify the public by issuing a press release, putting the announcement on HIOSH's website, and sending letters to contract associations. • Comments were made that certification is not the problem, enforcement is. • Director Ching asked to meet with those that were interested to continue discussion and develop a working plan. Meeting was held after the HIOSH Advisory Committee meeting. 	
Joint Projects Between HIOSH and the HIOSH Advisory Committee		
Safety Recognition and Awards Committee	<p><u>2008 Excellence in Safety Awards</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nineteen companies have applied and completed their self evaluation of their program. • The committee is interviewing and verifying the information with various companies. • The subcommittee will meet with the applicants the first week in March to discuss their evaluation. • After the subcommittee meets with the applicants, they will make a decision on which companies get what award. 	
Training Outreach Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing reported. • Suggestion was made to redefine the committee's role and chairperson. • Mr. Diaz volunteered to become the chairperson. • Mr. Diaz will send Mr. Zane a status report within three weeks on the activity of the committee. 	
Public Sector Need for Safety Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since DLIR is interested in becoming SHARP, this section can be closed. 	

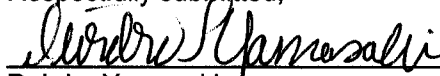
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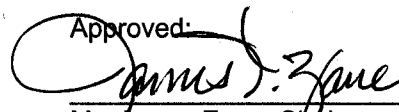
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Pathway to Success Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Jennifer Shishido's presentation. 	
Information From HIOSH Advisory Committee to HIOSH		
Around-the-Table Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone's efforts were thanked for a very successful year last year and for the year to come. The State, HIOSH, GCA and all the other sponsors of the 2008 Governor's Biennial Pacific Rim Safety and Health conference were thanked. This is the first time GCA is sponsoring the 2008 Governor's Biennial Pacific Rim Safety and Health conference. The GCA safety committee will be notified of the information received from today's meeting. Director Ching was thanked for working on becoming SHARP. Safety Systems Hawaii will be participating in the 2008 Governor's Biennial Pacific Rim Safety and Health conference by having about 18 booths and making a donation. Dan Hanagami and Mr. Zane are working on a checklist that deals with dealing with fatalities for the investigative side. 	
Public Comment Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing was reported. 	<p>May 15, 2008 <i>JZ</i></p>
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was discussion on having an off-island HIOSH Advisory Committee meeting. HIOSH will support a project on the outer islands. Jennifer Shishido will coordinate the project. 	<p>August 24, 2008, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., HIOSH Training Room 427</p>

Respectfully submitted,


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Approved: 
 Mr. James Zane, Chair
 HIOSH Advisory Committee