



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board
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Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board Minutes
Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.
DLIR Conference Room, 321

Present: Trustees: Tristan Aldeguer (Vice Chairperson), Rich Lentes, Jim Weander and Angela Chinen.
Staff: Executive Director Robert M. Armstrong
Excused: Chairperson Joaquin Diaz
Visitors: None

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:45 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Aldeguer.
2. **12 November 2014 Minutes:** Weander moved and Lentes seconded to approve the minutes without discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. **DLIR Director's Report:** No report.
4. **HIOSH Report:** No report.
5. **Executive Director's Report:** a.) The unaudited financial result for the first half of the fiscal year shows nearly nine thousand dollars in receipts during the past two months and less than four hundred dollars in expenditures. HMOAB finished the calendar year with over \$400,000 in total revenue.

b.) State certifications are up to over 375 members with more than a dozen applicants processed during each of the past two months.
6. **Old Business:** a.) Trustees talked at length about how much they enjoyed the social event recently shared with NCCCO CEO Graham Brent. They also thanked Jim Weander for planning and executing the arrangements. As Brent reminded us, it's nice to touch base from time to time, as he was here during the creation of the legislation which started this agency in 1998. Aldeguer added he and Chairperson Diaz also touched base with Bob Horneauer recently at a conference in California.

b.) With Lentes moving and Weander seconding, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved without discussion the submission of the 2014-15 Annual Report.

- 7. New Business:** a.) Trustees discussed the 10 December 2014 ten-ton buoy incident which resulted in the unfortunate death of a HMOAB certified crane operator. The incident occurred on Navy property and therefore is under OSHA, not HIOSH, jurisdiction. The HMOAB Executive Director expressed his condolences to the family on behalf of the organization.

b.) A recent request to HMOAB for a current list of local crane and tower training firms, consultants, and inspectors found in Hawai'i was received. In response, an updated list containing twelve firms was circulated among Trustees, corrected, and is available upon request.

c.) Armstrong asked Trustees for their input on fifteen recent questions regarding the update and care of membership rolls. It was decided an "inactive" list would be started to accommodate some 40+ former certified operators. They also repeated all current members must understand it is their responsibility to update and keep current fees and addresses with HMOAB, although approximately thirty percent do respond positively to mailed reminders. It was also decided there would be no change in HMOAB certification or renewal fees for the foreseeable future. Finally, the need was underscored to continue and improve external communication to members and to be more proactive in educating and informing State hoisting machine operators and potential applicants. Hopefully, our relationship with HIOSH will also improve as we sort through such issues.

d.) Board members briefly discussed alternatives to our long-neglected webpage upkeep and for the time being, resolved to work with the incoming new administration and director to better improve its appearance and content.
- 8. Community Comments:** None
- 9. Next HMOAB Meeting:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in DLIR room 321.
- 10. Adjournment:** Weander moved and Lentes seconded to conclude the meeting at 2:57 p.m. The motion passed unanimously without discussion.