



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, June 25, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

DLIR Conference Room, 321

Present: All members: James Weander (Chair); Joaquin Diaz (Vice-Chair); Tristan Aldeguer and Donald Gentzler

Staff: Robert M. Armstrong, Executive Director

Visitors: Richard E. Lentos, III, prospective Board Trustee; Angela A. Chinen, prospective Board Trustee; Don 'Doc' Bailey, equipment company owner; Walter Medina, City and County of Honolulu, and Dan Purcell, community observer

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Chairperson Weander.
2. **28 August 2013 Minutes:** The minutes were unanimously approved without discussion.
3. **DLIR Report:** There was no representative from the Director's Office.
4. **HMOAB Staff Report:** Armstrong was formally introduced to the Board. He reported:
 - a. The agency website and application form have been initially revised and improved,
 - b. Since 2 April 2014, 32 certifications have been processed, five are in-process,
 - c. Since 2 April 2014, \$9350.00 was received against \$899.87 in expenses (for parking and attorney fees). A more extensive budget report for the fiscal year was provided.
5. **Old Business:** None.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. A change in Advisory Board leadership was discussed as Weander's term was expiring. A motion to appoint Diaz as Chairperson was forwarded by Weander and seconded by Gentzler. It was unanimously approved and immediately enacted.
 - b. After a brief discussion, a motion to approve another four-year term for Weander and welcome new Trustees Rich Lentos and Angie Chinen to the Board was made by Diaz and seconded by Aldeguer. It unanimously passed, although it was noted that Chinen still awaits approval from Governor Abercrombie.
 - c. Discussion followed about the length of terms and the Trustee numbers on HMOAB.
 - d. Weander completed a lengthy discussion regarding the resolution of hands-free reception on two-way radios with the industry and the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division. The State requirements now matches the national regulations.

A request to have a representative from HIOSH was made for the next HMOAB Advisory meeting in July.

- e. An extensive discussion unfolded regarding small telescopic crane licensing, and more specifically, tow trucks with crane operations and their current status with OSHA. It is not a certified device and when hook is changed to a shackle, it is no longer a crane. Interest was voiced about looking at this issue again to close a possible “loophole” with the State Legislature this January, 2015.
- f. Chinen advised crane operators can be verified on the national NCCCO website.
- g. Diaz expressed an interest to use the next Trustee meeting to look at the HMOAB online application, its processes and to clarify documents, particularly legitimate identification such as TWIC documents. Members agreed the effort is overdue.
- h. Armstrong reported the criminal background check process is being simplified and made more inexpensive and will report back at the July meeting.

7. Community Comments:

- a. Walter Medina returned to request City/County physical examination validation process be adopted by HMOAB, as they are more strict than Transportation Department regulations. The Trustees agreed to look at if the procedures meet OSHA/HIOSH criteria.
- b. Doc Bailey expressed interest in Board membership and offered to help in the future.
- c. Dan Purcell contributed several helpful suggestions on rules of order and State law.

8. The Next HMOAB Board Meeting was set for Tuesday, July 29 at 1:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, August 20 at 1:30 p.m.

9. The HMOAB Board Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 3:10 p.m. by Weander with Aldeguer seconding.