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Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

1:30 p.m. HT

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 114
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Board Members Present: Tristan Aldeguer, Angela Chinen, Joaquin Diaz, and John Mihlbauer Jr.

Excused: Richard Lentes III

Staff: Executive Assistant Mel Chang and Leonard Hoshijo

Guests: none

1. Call to Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by chair Tristan Aldeguer at 1:42 pm
2. Approval of Minutes from 15 February 2017. Diaz moved and Mihlbauer seconded to approve minutes as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.
3. DLIR Deputy Director Leonard Hoshijo Report – Hoshijo reported that the OSHA penalties bill is moving through the Legislature. Small business testified against the bill even though small business gets a 40-70% discount according to the OSHA formula. The Department of Labor is looking for compliance, not the penalties. Until the new federal budget is passed, it is not known how much money OSHA is getting and how any budget cut would affect Hawaii.
4. HIOSH Safety Branch Manager Allen Miho Report – Miho was not present and no report was given.
5. Executive Assistant Mel Chang Report
 - a. Certifications and applications report – Chang reported 6 applications were processed in February 2017 and one certificate was updated. There are still two applications which are pending.
 - b. Website–Chang reported that HMOAB received payment of \$135 from HIC for the one applicant who used the on-line website to apply for certification and pay with their credit cards.
6. Old Business:
 - a. 2017 NCCCO Commissioners Meeting – Chinen distributed the preliminary agenda for the NCCCO meeting. The management committee for overhead cranes will meet

on May 2; the management committee for signalpersons will meet on May 3; and the management committee on mobile cranes will meet on May 4. These meetings will be held at the Ala Moana Hotel and are open to the public except when exam questions are discussed.

The Commissioners will meet on May 5 and the Industry Forum on Personnel Qualifications will be held on May 6. These sessions will be at the ILWU Hall across the street from the Ala Moana Hotel. The Board decided to advertise the event in the newspaper and industry publications.

- b. May 10, 2017, OSHA Workshop – The Board decided that the HMOAB should have a booth at the workshop which would cost \$300. Mihlbauer moved and Chinen seconded to approve the expense. The motion carried unanimously.

7. New Business:

- a. The Board deferred discussion on legislative proposals for the 2018 Legislative session.
- b. Proposed changes to Administrative Rules – Diaz pointed out a gap in the rules which do not allow operators to train on a crane without first getting a certificate. This prevents operators from getting practical experience. Diaz suggested restoring old language which allowed a special certification for training purposes. HIOSH would need to make the rule change. A meeting should be arranged with Doreen from HIOSH Administration and Training.
- c. Training of Crane Operators – this item was covered under item b above.

8. Next Board Meeting: **Monday, April 17, 2017 @8:00 am**, HMOAB Office #114

9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

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