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Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division  
**Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board**  
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## **Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board Minutes**

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

8:30 a.m. HT

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 114

Honolulu, HI 96813

Board Members Present: Tristan Aldeguer, Richard Lentes III, and Angela Chinen.

Excused: Doc Bailey and John Muhlbauer Jr.

Staff: Executive Assistant Mel Chang, Director Leonard Hoshijo, Allen Miho

Guests: None

1. Call to Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by Chair Tristan Aldeguer at 8:35 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes from 14 February 2018. Chinen moved and Lentes seconded to approve minutes as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.
3. DLIR Director Leonard Hoshijo–Hoshijo briefed the Board on labor related legislation pending before the Legislature. One issue is paid family leave and how that would be funded and how it would be staffed. A second issue was the 10 percent cut to all departments in the budget, although 5 percent was released, so the cut would actually be 5 percent. All departments were asked to project how they would deal with the cut. The Department of Labor is at 40 percent less staffing due to turnovers and difficulty in filling some positions. Two HIOSH job postings were cut and we are trying to recover those positions.
4. HIOSH Safety Branch Manager Allen Miho – Miho reported there were no accidents but they did receive a complaint dealing with unsafe hook lowering and a dropped load. They are conducting an investigation.  
There was discussion about the Board’s offer to do crane training session for HIOSH inspectors. The Board envisions a 30 minute flash session on what to look for in crane safety and that it was necessary for inspectors to ask for the Hawaii HMOAB certification card and not the national certification cards. The session would be beneficial for new inspectors who don’t have the experience in inspecting cranes. Aldeguer said the offer would be left open.
5. Executive Assistant Mel Chang Report
  - a. Certifications and applications report – Chang reported that 9 applications were processed since the February 14 meeting (8 new applications and one updated

- application). The latest fund report available was January 2018 which showed \$6,044.28 in revenues over expenses for the year to date.
- b. Fund Status—Chang reported that the latest HMOAB Special Funds Report of December 2017 shows the year to date fund status had \$6,182.18 in revenues over expenses.
6. Old Business:
- a. Proposed legislative and administrative rule changes – deferred.
  - b. HMOAB 2017-2018 Budget – Lentes moved and Chinen seconded to approve the budget as submitted. The budget includes funds for HMOAB advertising. The board approved the text as submitted for four ads to run in the Business Industry Magazine.
  - c. 2018 plans regarding the Board and staffing– deferred to future meetings.
  - d. Angie Chinen’s reappointment to the Board—Chinen indicated her desire to serve another term and that it was okay with the Operating Engineers for her to represent them.
  - e. Training sessions for HIOSH inspectors. See discussion under #4 above.
7. New Business
- a. None
8. Community Comments – None
9. Next Board Meeting: **Thursday, April 12, 2018** @ 1:30 pm, HMOAB Room 114. The meeting was later rescheduled to Wednesday, April 18. 2018.
10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

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