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

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

1:30 p.m. HT

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 114  
Honolulu, HI 96813

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

Staff: Executive Assistant Mel Chang, Leonard Hoshijo (Deputy Director), Norman Ahu (HIOSH), William Kunstman (Director's Office), and Allen Miho (HIOSH)

Guests: None

1. Call to Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by Chair Tristan Aldeguer at 1:31 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes from 11 October 2017. Lentes moved and Muhlbauer seconded to approve minutes as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.
3. DLIR Director's Office – Leonard Hoshijo opened the discussion about the Board's proposed legislation and rule changes. There needs to be discussion on the proper procedure if a department or division is proposing rules or legislation changes. Rules proposed by HMOAB should go through HIOSH. Last year the Legislature considered whether HMOAB should exist or not.
  - a. Kunstman – Reviewed the legislature history—important dates include 1997, 1998, amended in 2002 and amended again in 2016. In 1997 the Operator's Stabilization Fund went to the Legislature to have crane operators certified. Originally wanted it in DCCA. There was mention of safety and public and worker safety, but no discussion about OSHA rules. Then Governor Cayetano opposed it as unnecessary government regulation but Legislature passed it out.
  - b. Hoshijo – the HMOAB Board should hold off on legislation and rule changes for now, pending further discussion within the department. It is also too late to put any legislation changes into the DLIR administration package.
4. HIOSH Safety Branch Manager Allen Miho – Miho had no crane accidents to report.
5. Executive Assistant Mel Chang Report
  - a. Certifications and applications report – Chang reported a large number of 37 new and renewal applications were processed in August, September, and October. One application is still pending.

- b. Fund Status—Chang reported that the latest HMOAB Special Funds Report of August 2017 shows the year to date fund status had \$2,430.17 in revenues over expenses.
6. Old Business:
- a. Proposed legislative changes – The Board’s proposed legislation change will be held off pending further discussion with HIOSH and the Director’s Office.
  - b. Proposed changes to administrative rules—The Board will discuss proposed rule changes with HIOSH and the Director’s Office.
  - c. Board vacancy – Doc Bailey was the only applicant to fill the Board vacancy. His appointment is moving forward.
  - d. Virtual Realty Crane training – This item will be removed from the agenda.
7. New Business
- a. The Board will discuss 2018 plans to regarding the Board and staffing.
8. Community Comments – None
9. Next Board Meeting: **Wednesday, January 10, 2018 @1:30 pm**, HMOAB Room 114
10. Executive Session – Chinen moved and Mihlbauer seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss an operator’s application. Motion carried unanimously. The Executive Session began at 2:37 pm. Chinen moved and Mihlbauer seconded for the Board to exit Executive Session at 2:51 pm. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

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