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## **Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board Minutes**

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

1:30 p.m. HT

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 114

Honolulu, HI 96813

Board Members Present: Tristan Aldeguer, Doc Bailey, Angela Chinen, and John Muhlbauer Jr.

Excused: Richard Lentos III

Staff: Director Scott Murakami, Deputy Director Leonard Hoshijo, Executive Assistant Mel Chang

1. Call to Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tristan Aldeguer at 1:36 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes from 9 January 2019. Muhlbauer moved and Bailey seconded to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Director's Office – newly appointed Labor Director Scott Murakami introduced himself and greeted the Board. Deputy Director Leonard Hoshijo reported that they are busy with the 2019 Legislative Session and a new budget process. There was nothing specific to HMOAB. In efforts to shrink government, the Legislature is cutting positions that have been vacant. In this process, the Department of Labor was cut two positions that were actually filled. The Department is working to reinstate the two positions.
4. HIOSH – There was no report from HIOSH.
5. Executive Assistant Mel Chang Report
  - a. Certifications and applications report – Chang reported that 19 applications were processed from January 9 to February 13, 2019 (7 new applications, 10 renewals, and 2 updated).
  - b. Fund Status–Chang reported that the latest HMOAB Special Funds Report of January 2019 showed \$3,043.05 in revenues over expenses. The positive income was mainly due to a credit of \$3,882.74 which was mistakenly charged to the HMOAB for AG fees in November 2018. The Year to Date balance is \$610.17 in the Black. The
  - c. Ending Balance of the Special Fund is \$341,849.63.
6. Old Business:
  - a. Proposed legislative and administrative rule changes.
    - a. HIOSH will keep the HMOAB Board informed of any proposed rule changes when HIOSH adopts the new OSHA crane operator certification rules.

- b. The Board anticipates that HMOAB certification would no longer be necessary after HIOSH adopts the OSHA rules on crane operator certification. However, the Board reaffirmed their position: that HIOSH should adopt a medical qualification for crane operators; that the Board should continue as an advisory committee to HIOSH; that the Special Fund be retained in the Department of Labor; and that the exempt half-time position be retained.
  - b. Outreach and Advertising on New OSHA Rules:
    - a. The Board approved the letter to employers of crane operators drafted by the Executive Assistant. The letter will be mailed to all employers in the HMOAB database and additional employers who may employ crane operators.
    - b. The Board instructed the Executive Assistant to look into placing advertisements or public service announcements in the Star Advertiser or Midweek magazine. Chang will submit proposals at the next board meeting.
  - d. Crane Institute Certification (CIC) accreditation.
    - a. One of our crane applicants, Robert Quiry, submitted a CIC certificate issued July 22, 2018. This was after the expiration date of CIC's NCCA accreditation of May 31, 2018.
    - b. We asked Quiry to obtain documentation from CIC about their current national accreditation. On Jan. 11, 2019, CIC responded to Quiry's and our request to update their national accreditation. According to their executive director Cody Cromarty, CIC has not lost their accreditation as the result of any action or failure on their part. Instead, they are in the process of switching their accreditation provider from NCCA to ANSI. Cromarty says the process of switching will take a few months and would be after the ANSI quarterly meeting of their commissioners.
    - c. After discussion, the Board took the position that if an applicant began their application with CIC before May 31, 2018, the CIC certificate will be accepted. Doc Bailey pointed out that the application process can take as long as one year from the date of the written to the practical examination. If the crane operator began their CIC application after May 31, 2018 the Board will consider the operator's HMOAB application on a case by case basis.
  - e. Revision of HMOAB Certification Application form has been completed. The form is available on the HMOAB website.
- 7. New Business
  - a. Begin discussion on mechanism to sunset the HMOAB at future meetings.
- 8. Community Comments – None
- 9. Next Board Meeting: **Wednesday, March 13, 2019 @ 1:30 pm**, HMOAB Room 114.
- 10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Persons unable to attend or wishing to present additional comments may send written or e-mail correspondence to: the above address or [HMOAB@hawaii.gov](mailto:HMOAB@hawaii.gov). Any person requiring a special accommodation (large print materials, sign language interpreters, etc.) should make a request in writing or by calling (808) 586-8146. The request must be received at least five business days before the hearing date.