

Washington State CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Meeting Report

November 17, 2011

AGC in Seattle, WA

The mission of the Washington State Construction Advisory Committee is to provide a forum where business, labor, and government identify challenges and develop solutions to Washington's construction workplace health and safety challenges.

Committee Leadership Present:

Anne Soiza, Deputy Assistant Director, DOSH;

Herb Heinold, Construction Safety Consultant;

Terry Tilton, Assistant Executive Secretary, Washington State Building and Construction Trades Council

DOSH Update: *Anne Soiza*

Anne Soiza discussed the following points and topics:

- Handout on the Top 10 violations for Construction for FFY 2011.
 - The Federal fiscal year runs Oct 1st thru Sept 30th.
- Governor extended the Rule Moratorium thru 12/31/2012.
 - There are exceptions
 - We are continuing the fall rule work, abatement during appeal and crane rules for example under rule moratorium exceptions.
- Abatement rule:
 - Public hearings were in Spokane on November 30th at 1:00 pm and on December 2 at 9:00am in Tumwater at the L & I building.
- The adoption date for the rule is January 3rd, 2012
- We are continually putting fatality and hospitalization updates on the Fatalities web page and the animation on the web page really helps with preventing injuries and fatalities.

Steve Heist reported on fatalities in the Construction Industry. So far for the year we have had 6 fatalities in construction for the calendar year 2011. The most recent fatality occurred when a person fell through an opening in a roof to a concrete floor below. Another person was killed when they were stung by a bee.

Dan McMurdie began discussions regarding the four CAC Subcommittees that have been working the past several months. Each subcommittee had a report for the overall committee.

Definition of Construction: Steve Heist

Steve Heist discussed the following point and topics:

- All the subcommittees meeting were held in the last 2 months. The meeting they had of definition of construction they did brainstorming for the next meeting.
- The subcommittee for definition of construction wants' to have a flow chart of cranes and other topics at the next subcommittee meeting.

Scheduling- Terry Walley

Terry Walley discussed the following points and topics:

- Scheduling of DOSH inspections,
- One of the biggest concerns is the big companies always get inspected, but the small companies do not get looked at because they are hard to find.
- The current practice is high hazard industry that is what DOSH looks at.
- Reviewing focus inspection, inspecting the ones we don't always see.
- About 5 years ago we had a committee looking at the worst 200 companies all industries not just construction, there was a checklist that was made about 5 years ago, it almost got published but fell thru the way side, but we have a lot of that information available.
- Some companies have no business license.
- DOSH rules state that we will not open inspections when the company is located in their private residence, it has to be an office, but we have to try to contact the employer by phone.

Fall Protection- Lisa Pogue

Lisa Pogue discussed the following points and topics:

- Marketing on the new fall protection rule 2012.
- Doing the fall protection draft online, and the actual changes.
- The group wants to review the draft.
- Hazards slopes and training generalized.
- We have a subcommittee meeting on fall protection today Nov 17th at 12:00pm covering language on hazards slopes.

CAC Charter- Anne Soiza

- Anne discussed the CAC Charter draft. There were a lot of changes discussed about the draft and those changes will be made. The full CAC voted on accepting the charter after it was agreed upon to drop the "Charter" designation and just call them "Guidelines".
- In accordance with the new guidelines, the overall CAC divided into labor and business caucuses to vote on new chairs and elect alternates.

Business Elected

Kirk Baisch, University Mechanical	Business Chair
Travis Brock, Hermanson	1 st Alternate Chair
Brian Van, Atkinson Construction	2 nd Alternate Chair

Labor Elected

Terry Tilton, Wa State Building Trades	Labor Chair
Erich Smith, Build It Smart	1 st Alternate Chair
Steve Cant, IBEW Loc. 77	2 nd Alternate Chair

Discuss next year meeting schedule- Anne Soiza

- January 11th, 9:00 to 12:00 at L & I Tumwater
- April 26th 9:00 to 12:00 Tukwila Service location.
- September 25th 1:00 to 4:00 PM in Spokane the day before Governor’s Conference

Adjourn

Action Items –

DOSH	Anne and Dan will go over the Washington Construction Advisory Committee Charter and make the changes that were discussed at the November 17 th CAC meeting. They will then be distributed to the CAC.
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Next CAC Meeting:
 Date: January 11, 2012
 Location: Dept. Labor and Industries
 7273 Linderson Way SW Tumwater WA 98501
 Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM

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