



ABC Committee Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2009

11:00am ABC Office

In Attendance:

Keith Liggett – Constructors and Associates
Richard McCormack- JC Glass
Jimm Cooper- Ref- Chem
Terry Nadir- Teal Construction
Russell Hamley- ABC
Sandy DeKeyser- ABC
Jim Shelton - OSHA
Ralph Riley- S&B Engineers & Constructors

Pete Downs - BAIC
Scott Oliver – D.E. Harvey Builders
Keith Coulter – Andrews, Myers, Coulter & Hayes
Terry Buza – Cajun Constructors
Billy Sciba – E.E. Reed
Chris Scheve – Lott Contractors
Pete Netterville – Lott Contractors
Elizabeth Suffield - ABC

Minutes were approved.

New Business:

- Jobsite posters need changes such as standard minimum wage rates. It is necessary to print them in both Spanish and English. The committee discussed the cost of producing the posters and the option of printing fewer posters at a time, on a need basis since ABC has an abundance of out-dated posters.
- OSHA Partnership – STEP award winners have been called to participate in the partnership and the goal is to have 12 new partners. All peer inspections for old and new partners must be scheduled now. Deadline for completing all inspections is October 1.
- Brown Bag Topics – July meeting topic will be about heat stress and a presenter is still needed. See below for list of topics that still need presenters and lunch donors.
- Safety Award winners were recognized at this year's 2009 Legislative Conference and six companies were from the Houston chapter. Once again Houston sets the bar for safety at the national level!

Company Incident Reports

- The committee discussed Company incident reports:
 - Minor First Aid
 - Near misses
 - One burn incident
 - Conscious of heat stress this time of year
 - One employee was straddling a pipe that had too much stress on it and caused a contusion in his leg.
 - Razor knife and scraper injuries – recommended edict against carrying own knives at jobsite
 - Auto trouble and vehicle repair costs

OSHA Update

- The fatality rate has increased 40% from last year to this year, resulting in extended OSHA enforcement actions in Texas.
- The OSHA 10 Hour certification marathon will be hosted August 1, 2009. 10 Hour OSHA certification will be taught by volunteer instructors and only cost participants \$10. They will also receive their cert. card the same day.
- The Greater Houston Steps Network meets the third Tuesday of the month. It is led by OSHA and is a meeting/networking opportunity for oil and gas companies. www.greaterhoustonsteps.com

Old Business:

- Safety Survey – Safety Survey – the deadline for any final committee changes to the safety survey is Friday, July 10. Please submit all suggestions to Elizabeth, e.suffield@abhouston.org (Survey attached)
- Construction Expo – date has been set for October 21st at the Pasadena Convention Center.

Next Meeting will be Monday, July 27th at the ABC Office at 11:00am

2009 Safety Committee Brown Bag Topics

July Meeting:

Lunch: Chris Scheve, Lott Contractors

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker: Heat Stress Prevention - Jimm Cooper, Ref-Chem LP

August Meeting:

Lunch: Jimm Cooper, Ref-Chem LP

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker: Fall Protection/Tying Off – Mark Jumper, Performance Insulation Contractors

September Meeting:

Lunch: Ralph Riley, S & B Engineers & Constructors

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker: National Safety Excellence Awards – Ralph Riley, S & B

October Meeting:

Lunch:

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker: Lockout/Tag out

November Speaker:

Lunch:

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker:

December Speaker:

Lunch:

Brown Bag Topic & Speaker:

Future Topic Suggestions: Pier Drilling