



## ABC Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011

11:00 AM, ABC Office

### In Attendance:

Michael Abshire- Fugro Consultants	Amanda Burk- ABC
John Collins- Bendco, Inc.	Greg Downs- MB Western Industrial
Lee Hart- Safety By Design	Keith Liggett- Structure Tone Southwest
Heather McGregor- CLP Resources	Rhonda Mitchell- Aggregate Technologies
Scott Oliver- D.E. Harvey Builders	Ralph Riley- S&B Engineers & Constructors
Robert Schindler- McCarthy Building Systems	Thomas Stagers- Turner Industries Groups
Jim Daigle- Fugro Consultants	

Meeting was called to order, February minutes were approved and introductions were made.

### Company Incident Reports/Best Practices

- The committee discussed Company Incident Reports and Best Practices:
  - **CLP**- Witnessed an unusual number of accidents during the month of January. PPE seemed to be the issue. A new policy is in place which goes as follows: Warning Once, Fire Twice.
  - **Aggregate Technologies**- Rhonda saw the presentation on K2 in the workplace and encouraged other meeting attendees to find out more about the growing problem in construction industry.
  - **MBWestern**- No incidents to report.
  - **Fugro**- Minor first aid incident due to a drill pipe not being secure while the employee was in line of hazardous waste.
  - **StructureTone Southwest**- 15 months incident free.
  - **D.E.Harvey**- Starting to witness drug usage in the workplace. Small contractors seem to be where the majority of the problems are arising from. Approaching 2 years with 2 million man hours.
  - **S&B Engineers & Constructors**- A pipe fitter was burning slag and fell onto his foot which resulted in a prescription.
  - **Burton**- Friend was changing the light bulb on the front of his car when the bulb shattered and went into the man's eyes. The man is now visually impaired due to the incident,
  - **Bendco/Merge9i**- No incidents to report.
  - **McCarthy Building**- No incidents to report.

### OSHA Update

- Currently, the OSHA North Offices have had 12 fatalities for the year while the OSHA South Offices have had 7 for 2011; this gives a total of 19 fatalities in the Greater Houston area for 2011 thus far. OSHA has reported that they are raising the monetary amounts for citations which will affect contractors and subcontractors in the Greater Houston area.

### Old Business:

- **Recruitment for Safety Committee** → Tabled till May meeting
- **Specialty Subcontractor Recruitment** → Tabled till May meeting.
- **Review Safety Survey** → Guinne Sharp briefly discussed and reviewed the new and improved safety survey. The committee approved the survey which will be mailed out in May. ABC will try to partner with other associations with regards to distribution efforts. Updates will be given on a needed basis.
- **Discuss Safety Commercial Shooting** → Tabled till May Meeting.
- **Discuss Changes to ABC Safety Manual** → Amanda will email the OSHA Partners the current safety manual to see what needs to be changed, added and/or updated.

### New Business:

- **Discuss April Meeting** → As discussed in the February meeting, the April Safety Committee meeting will be canceled due to the April 27<sup>th</sup> Workers Day Memorial/Blood Drive. All meeting attendees were encouraged to attend and have some good food and free safety training.

- **Set Agenda Items for May Safety Meeting**
  - Recruitment for Safety Committee
  - Specialty Contractor Recruiting
  - Discuss Safety Commercial Shooting
  - Discuss Changes to Safety Manual

**Next Meeting will be Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at the ABC Office at 11:00 AM**