



## ABC Committee Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2009

11:00 am ABC Office

### **In Attendance:**

Lauren Box- Code Red Safety  
Roy Breese- 3-J Ryan, Inc  
Terry Nadir- Teal Construction  
John Brightwell- Austin Ind.  
Jim Cooper- RefChem  
Kent Dartez- Turner  
Jesse Ramos- TDI  
Ralph Riley- S&B Engineers & Constructors  
Marcos Gonzalez- H & E Equipment  
Marc Jumper- P.I.C. Inc.  
Donald Thomas- SAFway  
Russell Hamley- ABC

Terry Buza – Cajun Constructors  
Pat Cook – Mobley  
Billy Sciba- EE Reed  
Kevin Lester- Veolia  
Jason Matthews- Accurate Air Systems  
Rhonda Mitchell- Aggregate  
Chris Walker- Turner  
Mark Hernandez- OSHA  
Jim Shelton- OSHA  
Adriana Saucedo- Staff Unlimited  
Keith Liggett- C & A

Minutes were approved.

### **New Business:**

- Goal Review for Safety Committee- Committee should provide quarterly articles for Build Houston. Ralph Riley will write the 1<sup>st</sup> article on behalf of the safety committee. Ralph will talk about the committee and the benefits for joining the committee.
- A Safety Committee website was discussed that would review what the committee stands for and reviews the latest agenda and topics the committee has covered as well as upcoming events. Could possibly have a 'Safety Blog' that members could ask questions on. Concern was voiced about a disclaimer being needed in a blog was to be used.
- Adriana and Amanda have been contacting small/specialty contractors to try to boost their attendance at our Safety Committee meetings
- Safety Committee Action Items for next Meeting: 1- Website Building. 2- News articles for Build Houston. 3- Safety Survey
- Less of a need from our members with regards to 30 HR OSHA classes

### **Company Incident Reports**

- Fatality rate has increased about 150% since last year. This is only for the Houston area.
- The committee discussed Company incident reports:
  - Busted lip with regards to a pipe busting
  - Near misses
  - Scrap metal was found in eye of worker; he was not wearing goggles
  - Strained ankle from stepping off a piece of equipment
  - Minor injury to a workers foot; pulled the plunge cord from a platform and fell 4 feet
  - Torn rotator cup; worker lifted 67.9 pounds, exceeded the limit of 49.5 pounds
  - Worker life lighted out; didn't evaluate equipment before a rigging job

### **OSHA Update**

- As of September 18<sup>th</sup>, total fatalities for Houston (all industries) were 61. It is higher than what it was this time last year. Did perform over 300 inspections in 3 weeks time. Still have some work in the construction industry to do, but we have improved some.
- OSHA is offering OSHA 500, 501, 510 and 511. They will fly instructor to your location if you have a class of 25+. The cost it \$25/student.
- OSHA Webinar coming up and it is free for nonprofit organizations.
- OSHA Houston has 4 new members on their team.
- Total fatality for Region 6 is 227, which is above the national average.

### **Old Business:**

**Next Meeting will be Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at the ABC Office at 11:00am**