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MIOSHA GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY STANDARD
PART 74 FIRE FIGHTING
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 6, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.
State Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, Michigan, 48909
General Office Building, Conference Room G

MEETING MINUTES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Blomstrom..... Greenville Dept. of Public Safety
Richard Clark Grand Rapids Fire Dept. & Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union
Keith Crawford City of Flint Fire Dept
Daniel Dawe..... West Bloomfield Fire Dept. & Michigan Professional Fire Fighters
Union
Patrick DuVall Plainfield Fire Dept.
Joseph Grutza..... MI LARA Bureau of Fire Services
Eva Hatt Retired MIOSHA General Industry Safety & Health Manager
David Peterson Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs
James Rose..... Michigan State Firemen’s Association

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Michael Brink City of Madison Heights Fire Dept.
Richard Mahaney Mahaney Loss Prevention Services

MIOSHA STAFF PRESENT:

Debbie Merryfield..... Standards Section
Robin Spaulding..... General Industry Safety & Health Division

GUESTS PRESENT:

AJ Hale General Industry Safety Standards Commissioner

Call to Order

The March 6, 2012 GI Part 74 Fire Fighting advisory committee meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Jim Rose. A quorum of advisory committee members was present. Eva Hatt announced that MIOSHA liaison to the Part 74 advisory committee, Lee J. Kueppers, has begun treatment for lung cancer.

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Review and Approval of February 23, 2011 Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Brian Blomstrom and seconded by Mr. David Peterson to accept the minutes as written. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Final review of Part 74

Mr. Rose began by stating that we would need a motion and a second to reopen any subject for discussion and ultimately a majority vote to accept any change.

The committee received an email for Mr. Richard Mahaney containing suggestions for changes to the draft standard. The committee agreed to Mr. Mahaney's spelling and grammar suggestions, but did not vote to open any other subjects up for further discussion.

Mr. Blomstrom asked the committee what document we were referencing when recommending 8 hours of annual training on MIOSHA OH Part 432 in Appendix A. The committee reviewed MIOSHA OH Part 432 and determined that 8 hours of annual training is not required by the standard. Mr. Blomstrom stated that any specific hours on recommended training need to have a source for justification. Mr. Rose agreed and stated that training hours without a source for justification will cause the document will lose credibility. A motion was made by Mr. Peterson and seconded by Mr. Blomstrom to change Part 432 annual training to "To maintain competency." **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Blomstrom asked the committee what document we were referencing when recommending 4 hours of annual drivers training. When no reference document was found, Mr. Richard Clark made a motion to change the annual training requirement to "As needed to maintain competency." The motion was seconded by Mr. Peterson. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The committee discussed training requirements for Right to Know and Fire Fighter Right to Know. A motion was made by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Peterson to change the initial training on Fire Fighter Right to Know to "As required – See Fire Marshal Bulletin 9." **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** A motion was made by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Peterson to change the initial training on Right to Know to "As required." **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The committee discussed adding a title to Appendix A. A motion was made by Mr. Blomstrom and seconded by Mr. Peterson to title the appendix "Training Reference." **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

At the close of the meeting, each member of the committee was given the opportunity to comment on the completed draft standard. Many commented that they are happy with the final outcome of the appendix and feel it will be a useful tool for the public. The group was thanked for working together towards the common goal of fire fighter safety.

Public Comment

Commissioner Hale provided input and guidance throughout the meeting.

Adjournment

The next General Industry Safety Standards Commission meeting is March 14, 2012 from 9:30 to 12:00pm at the General Office Building, Conference Room B. The co-chairs of the committee will present the committee's proposed changes at the GISSC meeting.

With no further business before the advisory committee, the meeting was adjourned.