



WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA SAFETY ALLIANCE MEETING NOTES

May 21, 2010, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Lanier Upshaw, Lakeland, FL 33810

Our thanks to Lanier Upshaw for hosting us and also for providing lunch!

ATTENDEES: Luke Vaughn (Co-Director), Mark Robbins, Deloris Westfall, Dorothy Williams, Kathy Felsten, Joan Spencer, Brett Blondell, Tom Thomas, Charlie Murphy, Mark Ligon, Ernie Harben (“**Note Taker**”)

BUSINESS MEETING

- 1. Luke Vaughn facilitated the business meeting.**
- 2. Introductions were made around the room.**
- 3. Business Cards – Joan Spencer:**
 - a. Joan has secured a vendor for the cards.
 - b. She will pay the cost for the first 500 cards (<\$10.00).
 - c. Joan will share an electronic sample with the Alliance for approval before printing.
- 4. Safety Training for Small Businesses:**
 - a. In addition to the discussion from the previous meeting (April 23rd) this group recommended we all direct requests like this to The Tampa Area and Central Florida Safety Councils.
 - b. Should our Alliance offer classes out in the field with small business employees?
 - i. The group discussed the idea including some “tools” on our site for stand up discussions, OSHA’s on-line tools, USF’s Safety Outreach Programs, etc.
- 5. Updates to the WCFSA Web Site:**
 - a. All members are encouraged to visit our web site (www.wcfesa.org) and verify all the information there is accurate.
 - b. Ernie will have a web address established so inquiries are forwarded to the 3 Co-Directors and myself so we can direct them to some support or update the web site.
- 6. Annual OSHA Update Seminar sponsored by Tampa Area Safety Council & Sun Coast Safety Council held April 28:**
 - a. Joan Spencer reported that there was good attendance.
 - b. Mark Ligon from our Alliance attended and said the information presented was very helpful.
 - c. There was a great deal of interest in the recent announcement by OSHA of its policy with regard to enforcement and penalties.

OPEN SAFETY DISCUSSION

7. Proposed Changes to OSHA's 10-Hour and 30-Hour Training Programs:

- a. Joan Spencer discussed OSHA's approach to the content of its certified training programs.
- b. OSHA had intended these programs act more as an introductory course for workers and not as an all-inclusive, full coverage program for safety leaders.
- c. Some new content consisting of 58 slides (available on line) is proposed to insure works are told of their rights and access to OSHA to make complaints.
- d. Please review these and give your comments to OSHA.

8. OSHA is Implementing Severe Violators Enforcement Program:

- a. Joan suggest anyone interested in this new field directive visit the OSHA web site for specifics.
- b. The action is directed more at businesses that are egregiously violating (recalcitrant) OSHA rules.

9. OSHA Hazard Prevention Plans:

- a. OSHA is developing new standards/field directives aimed to insure businesses have written Hazard Prevention Plans.
- b. These plans should describe how the business will monitor/discover hazards. How the hazards will be addressed and what sorts of audits/verifications are maintained to insure corrective actions are productive.

10. SPI's Safety Expo:

- a. Planned for October; more information to follow.

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11. June Alliance Presentations:

- a. There are several alliance presentations scheduled for June; please contact Joan Spencer at spencer.joan@dol.gov for more information

12. Happy Birthday Ernie:

- a. Cake for Everyone (Except Carl - who was not in attendance). ☹

PRESENTATION

13. Anthony Febbraro, Facility Environmental Partners:

- a. A discussion of EPA's new rules for renovation of lead containing structures.
- b. We discussed registrations, notifications, training, and methods associated with renovations and EPA rules.
- c. We reviewed the structures/activities that are covered, as well as what activities/structures are exempted.

NEXT MEETING

June 25th, 2010

Free "Indoor Air Quality Class", 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM followed by a short WCFSA business meeting, 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM at the "Pepsi Building" on the campus of Hillsborough Community College in Plant City.

Please RSVP your intentions to Ernie Harben at Ernie.Harben@saddlecrk.com