

Mobile Section, AGC Safety Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 2020

2:00 PM - Zoom Meeting

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Minutes

Participants:

Seth Smith – Rolin Construction
Jeff Rodgers – Alabama AGC
Josh West – AlabamaAGC
Torrey Garrison – Performance Contractors
T. J. Emma – Whitesell Green
Gina Dalton – Safety Plus
Bobby Gagnet – Safety Plus
Billy Norrell – AlabamaAGC
George Oswalt – Lyon Fry Cadden
Don English – S & S Sprinkler
Mike Tew – S J & L, Inc.
Chris Wiley – H. O. Weaver & Sons
Emily Killion – Burr Forman
Mike Shumaker – Thompson Engineering
Alan Michaels – ASDS
David Barr – ASDS
Charlotte Kopf
Carol Harris
Katherine Vickers

Charlotte Kopf thanked and welcomed all for attending the Zoom Safety Committee Meeting

She gave a brief Recap of National Work Zone Awareness Week held April 20-24th. She encouraged anyone who hosted a Stand Down to send their info to staff@agcmobile.org
<http://theconstructioncenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/2020-Struck-By-Safety-Stand-Down-Registration-Final.pdf>

She then asked the committee their thoughts on when to Reschedule Mobile Section's Safety Awards Luncheon previously scheduled for April 29th. The consensus seemed to be to wait until Fall.

She then asked for comments on how members would be transitioning back to work as the Stay at home orders are lifted. Construction has been fortunate to mostly continue working through this Pandemic. Emily Killion with Burr Forman gave a brief update for Return to Work considerations for COVID19. http://theconstructioncenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Burr-Forman-ALERT_Return-To-Work-Checklist-Considerations-For-Covid-19.pdf

It appeared that many had already developed or adopted a COVID-19 Exposure Action Plan. A discussion was held concerning the appointment of a Covid Safety Resource Officer (CSRO). Some were planning to do so others said they would be handling those duties as Safety

What other safety issues are you seeing on your jobsites where we have lost focus due to the intense focus on COVID19?

As we move forward, what lessons have we learned from this Pandemic?

- A. Better Hygiene
- B. Being More Prepared and thinking outside the box.
- C. Being Proactive and Creative
- D. Short Tool Box Talks sometimes daily but definitely weekly

How are your companies Managing Stress, Anxiety, and Depression of workers during these Challenging Times? Torrey Garrison mentioned that he has Employee Assistance Program (EAP) meetings weekly to address issues employees are experiencing such as physical and mental questions and fears concerning COVID.

Josh West with CompTrust AGC reported that new guidelines available for “Focus Four for Health Hazards in Construction” which include the following topics. To download the guidance document visit: https://aiha-assets.sfo2.digitaloceanspaces.com/AIHA/resources/FocusFour-forHealth_GuidanceDocument.pdf

- A. Manual Material Handling
- B. Noise
- C. Air Contaminants
- D. High Temperatures

Kopf asked the committee members to share their needs which AGC could help with? Specifically Purchasing PPE in Bulk? Masks, Gloves, Thermometer Scanners?

Bobby Gagnet with Safety Plus mentioned that now was a good time to provide training with a maximum of 10 students spread out. He said OSHA usually appreciates a Good Faith effort when it comes to training.

Jeff Rodgers reported that NCCI was now allowing a new separate class code for employees who have been on paid leave or furloughed during the pandemic.

Jeff Rodgers with AlabamaAGC and CompTrust AGC then reminded all to Save the Date for AlabamaAGC’s Risk Con which will be held in Birmingham **on August 27th**. He reported that David Lau, Counterterrorism & Security Professional will speak on Resilience. Lau is a Retired US Army Bronze Star and Purple Heart recipient who survived an IED attack while serving in Afghanistan.

Rodgers said there will also be special sessions including Business Continuity and Sustainability for Contractors during a Pandemic, a Jobsite Roundtable, and Legal Panels. To view more information: www.CompTrustAGC.com/RiskCon2020

Kopf encouraged the committee members to let her know of anything AGC could help them with during these challenging times.

With no further business. Kopf thanked all for attending. The meeting was then adjourned.

Minutes recorded by,

Charlotte Kopf