

LMAC Safety Committee April 18, 2014

Subcommittee Present: Don Judge, Lance Zanto, Riley Johnson, Al Smith, Karin Billings, Leah Tietz, Tammy Lynn, Glenn Opper

Guests: Jerry Laughery, Fish, Wildlife and Parks; TJ Eyer, OPI; Ann Komac, MMIA; Robyn Morrison, WSMT; Diana Ferriter, Georgiana Gulden, Anne Wolfinger, ERD.

- Schools Outreach/OSHA 10-hour course

George Gulden distributed draft flyers for the training. Up to four 10-hour OSHA classes will be offered with up to 40 students in each class. The classes will be followed by a career fair being organized by the Billings Job Service.

The committee discussed marketing ideas.

- Train the trainers—authorizing college credits /teacher recertification

Leah explained the details of different types of credits and the related requirements. The Helena College requested the curriculum and learning goals and objectives for possible approval for credits for this coming summer. Approval for transcript credits is done on a school by school basis.

Diana said Bryan Page has already been working with Helena College along this line. He may also be working with Dawson Community College, and she encouraged Leah to check with him.

TJ Eyer said there are three tiers for credits.

Undergrad credits are an incentive for undergrad students and blue collar professionals. Graduate credits are needed to motivate teachers. Instructors with master's degrees are required to teach undergrad level courses. For graduate level courses, the instructor is required to have a Ph.D. TJ suggested working with City College for an instructor of record to meet necessary requirements. Diana mentioned a staff member of the Safety and Health Bureau has a Ph.D.

The committee expressed interest in offering the training especially in eastern Montana due to the economic development in Bakken oil fields.

- Promoting 10-hour course to teachers

TJ reported he works with the seven student vocational organizations, each of which has statewide conventions. The state directors were very interested in the safety training and he will be meeting with them next month.

Sidney High School has a BSNF grant for preparing students for employment out of high school and is interested in making safety training of their graduation requirements. Other schools in eastern Montana are possible candidates as well.

The industrial trades technology teacher informed TJ of an online safety course for students, teachers, parents, and business people.

- Schools competition re: electronic promotion of 10-hour course/ Financial resources from WSMT for schools competition

Al Smith said WSMT has approved \$5,000 for prize money to promote school competitions. TJ said the student organizations are used to doing competitions, such as for state pins. When he meets with them this will be discussed.

- Questions for OSHPA chair at May 22nd LMAC meeting

Don asked committee members to send questions to Diana for Michael Wood, the OSHPA chair who will be coming to the May 22nd LMAC meeting. Al suggested the request for questions go out to the entire LMAC.

- MT State Procurement Contracting

Lance reported on his discussion with Brad Sanders from the State Procurement Bureau about adding some safety requirements or considerations to state procurement contracts. Riley expressed the concern about not unduly restricting opportunities for small contractors who want to do business with the State. Current outreach to small employers includes safety consultations and SafetyFests. Al said he liked the idea of including safety training criteria as part of the scoring process. Ann Komac suggested including the Montana Contractors Association in the discussions. Riley indicated the desire to be involved.

Diana asked if adding requirements or scoring for safety training would require administrative rule changes. Lance said that had not yet been discussed with Brad.

- Public Comment

There was no public comment.

- Next Steps

Lead continued effort on state procurement safety training considerations, involving Safety Committee members and others	Lance
Continue work on credit requirements for OSHA 10-hour card training	Leah, Karin, TJ, Bryan
Continue work on student competitions to promote safety training	TJ, Robyn, Don, Karin
Report on plans for safety training/career fair in Billings	Georgiana
Report on work re: state-based OSHA	Glenn
Send Diana suggested questions for OSHPA chair at May 22 meeting	All (and rest of LMAC)

- Following the meeting it was announced that TJ Eysers will be replacing Karin Billings as a member of the Safety Committee representing the Office of Public Instruction