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Hanford Healthy Energy Workers Board meeting #2

Tuesday November 17, 2020

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting held virtually by phone and video call.

Membership

Name	Organization	Attendance
Marty Cohen (co-chair)	UW Department of Environmental & Occupation Health Sciences	Present
Nick Bumpaous (co-chair)	Central Washington Building Trades Council	Present
Mike Means	Department of Health	Present
Dianne Whitten	Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council (HAMTC)	Present
Esi Nkyekyer	Harborview Medical Center	Present
Nicholas Reul	Washington State Labor & Industries	Present
Randy Walli	UA Local 598 Plumbers and Steamfitters	Present
Jason Sprowl	Hanford Workforce Engagement Center	Absent
Mark Riker	Washington State Building and Construction Trades Council	Present
Steve Maki	Volpentest Hazardous Materials Management and Emergency Response (HAMMER) Federal Training Facility	Present

Alternates, guests and staff – Sean Ardussi, Alice Zillah, Jason Leung, Kevin Leung, Sandy Rock

1. Opening, welcome and introductions
2. Healthy Energy Workers Board Updates

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Meeting Minutes

Recommended action: Adopt meeting minutes from September 15, 2020.

Meeting minutes from September 15, 2020 were adopted unanimously.

Procurement process recap

Sean discussed the procurement process in selecting the contractor team under Avvento Consulting to carry out the unmet health care needs assessment and drafting the legislative report. Thanks go out to board members who took the time to serve on the procurement team. Members assisting in this regard were Nick Bumpaous, Marty Cohen, Nicholas Reul and Jason Sprowl.

3. Introduction to Avvento Consulting project team

Board members have a chance to meet the project team.

- Kevin Leung, RN, Lead Investigator
- L.B. Sandy Rock, MD MPH, Occupational Health Subject Matter Expert
- Jason Leung

Guiding Principles – Board members and the project team discuss the development of shared guiding principles that guide the project. Board members contributed to the following principles with an understanding that these may be modified or changed as needed as the group moves forward with the project.

1. Design survey and develop recommendations with objectivity and independence from prior studies, remaining open to emerging innovations.
2. Be transparent with methods, results, and findings.
3. Show empathy towards challenges and barriers experienced by Hanford Workers.
4. Build broad stakeholder partnerships through iterative development.
5. Protect the privacy of Hanford Workers.
6. Adhere to the mandate of the Legislative Proviso.
7. Deliver a substantive product to the Legislature that draws upon a wide range of resources (training, scientific, medical, and community resources) that may be available; directly address question of how to make currently not present resources available.
8. Develop recommendations to enable proactive and timely healthcare.
9. Address exposure controls.

Scope of work and deliverables – Board members and the project team discussed the timeline and milestones for the project through spring 2021. The most pressing milestone will be designing the survey and conducting related outreach. This project will

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be relying heavily on members of the board representing labor to get the word out and encourage as many current and former Hanford employees to take the survey as possible. A separate effort will be made to reach out to health care professionals in the region to gain their perspective.

4. Next steps

The next meeting will be on Tuesday December 15, 2020.

5. Public comment

No members of the public provided comment.

As decided during the discussion regarding guiding principles, the proposed action to adopt the guiding principles was delayed to permit any public comment to be heard prior to that vote. There was no public comment related to the guiding principles or other topics.

Recommended action: Approve guiding principles.

A motion to approve the guiding principles with the caveat that they may be amended and changed as needed by the board in the future is made by Mark Riker and seconded by Marty Cohen. The motion was passed unanimously.

6. Other board business

In response to the recommendation by the project team to form a technical working group to support the effort of designing and conducting the unmet health care needs assessment survey, Nick Bumpaous nominates board members Esi Nkyekyer, Dianne Whitten, Marty Cohen, and Nick Bumpaous to serve in this capacity.

Recommended action: Identify up to four members as members of the technical working group.

A motion to approve these candidates was moved by Mark Riker and seconded by Randy Walli. The motion was passed unanimously.