CROSS CONNECTION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Nineteenth Public Meeting

Wednesday February 16, 2011
10:00 am
Portland State Office Building
800 NE Oregon St.
Portland OR 97232
971-673-1220 Michael Perry

Board Members in Attendance
1. Chair Michael Briesemeister - Eugene Water & Electric Board - (Certified Instructors)
2. Ray Johnson - City of The Dalles - (Water Suppliers)
3. Elmer Ostling - (Backflow Assembly Testers)
4. Rebecca Ternan - Wilkins - (Assembly Manufacturers & Authorized Representatives)
5. Ed Yancoskie - City of Hillsboro - (Oregon Plumbing Inspectors)

Board Members Not in Attendance
1. Monica Anderson, PE, LEED - Balzhiser & Hubbard Engineers - (Engineers)
2. Mary Howell – Backflow Management Inc. – (Cross Connection Specialists)
3. Vacant - (Oregon Licensed Plumbers)
4. Vacant - (General Public)

Other Attendees & Staff
1. Loren Anderson – Clackamas Community College
2. Dave McDonnell - Portland Water Bureau
3. J. Michael Perry - CC/BP Coordinator

1. Call to Order / Welcome
Chair Michael Briesemeister called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. He welcomed all attendees.

2. Introductions - Board members and Attendees
The Board and other attendees introduced themselves. The Chair noted that there were five Board members present and that constitutes a quorum.

3. Additions to the Agenda
There were no additions.
4. Approval of Previous Minutes
The November 18, 2010 minutes were approved as written.

5. DHS Reports

[1.] Cross Connection Advisory Board Members
Elmer Ostling now has an Alternate. It is Loren Anderson. Loren retired from the City of Corvallis, but is still teaching at Clackamas Community College. The Board still needs Members to represent Oregon Licensed Plumbers and the General Public.

[2.] Annual Summary Reports for 2010
The Cross Connection/Backflow Prevention Program sent out 865 Annual Summary Reports for 2010 on January 4, 2011. Two hundred sixty eight have been returned as of February 7th. That is 83 of 240 (35%) for large systems and 185 of 625 (30%) for small systems. For this purpose, large systems are ones with 300 or more connections.

[3.] Annual Fee Invoices for 2011
The Program has received payments from 761 water systems. They still need the last 99. The mailing for the second notice will go out the week of February 21st. These include the 50% late fee. This is about 15% better than last year at this time. Michael will again contact systems with missing or incorrect data. The priority will be:
   a. Large systems with no Annual Summary Report.
   b. Large systems without a currently Certified Specialist
   c. Large systems with incorrect or missing data.
   d. Small systems with obvious errors like grossly incorrect data, ones that “outlaw” all types of backflow prevention devices and missing ASRs. The largest of the “Small Systems” will be contacted first.

[4.] Testers and Specialists
The current totals of Certified Testers and Specialists are below.

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[5.] Plumbing Board
The last meeting was 12-16-2010. No new issues were raised. The next meeting is tomorrow, 2-17-2011.

[6.] Enabling Ordinance or Enabling Authority
Michael is getting help from the field staff during their Water System Surveys (formerly called Sanitary Surveys). If no Annual Summary Reports have been turned in, if no Enabling Ordinance is turned in or if the amount of tests done is not close to 100%; they are listing these as significant deficiency. For community systems, significant deficiencies must be addressed within 45 days. This does not mean corrected within 45 days, it means a plan to correct them must be submitted within 45 days with a reasonable correction timeline. Also, Michael sent out a model Enabling Ordinance to all small (less than 300 connections) systems with their 2010 Annual Summary Reports. Small systems do not have to use this form if they already have one submitted or if they prefer to write their own. Sample copies were handed out to Board Members and all other attendees.
[7.] CCAB Meeting Locations
Board Meetings need to be held in locations other than just Portland. The May 18th Meeting will be held in Portland. The August 17th Meeting will be held in The Dalles. It will be held at:
The Discovery Center
5000 Discovery Drive
The Dalles OR 97058
* Travel East on I-84 from the Portland area
* Take exit #82
* Turn right onto US 30
* Turn right on Discovery Drive

[8.] OHA – Oregon Health
There is no major news about the transition. The Drinking Water Program is starting to phase in new forms and paperwork as old ones run out. The Governor’s initial budget shows a 12% cut for Environmental Public Health.

[9.] Furlough Days
The next mandatory unpaid Furlough day is March 18, 2011. This is a fixed day for all state employees. The last fixed one before the start of the next biennium is May 20, 2011. Michael also has to take two more “floating” furlough days before July.

6. Old Business
[1.] There was more discussion about the schools and the Tenth Addition. BMI, CCC and EWEB are all ready to teach their Tester Courses as soon as the Oregon Administrative Rules adopt the change to the 10th edition. The Foundation has been contacted and they do not care how Oregon chooses to transition to the 10th. Oregon could allow both, could stay with the 9th or immediately switch to the 10th. Because of the new devices, the Drinking Water Program will switch to the 10th edition only; although the transition will need to address when all Testers will have been taught by the 10th.
[2.] The Drinking Water Program will adopt the 10th edition as part of a cycle of Rule changes. DWP intends to open for rule changes after the Oregon Legislative session ends for 2011. Depending on what the Legislature passes for Environmental Public Health, they intend to open this set of changes late this summer or early fall. This cycle has normally taken 3 to 4 months. This can be longer if major changes to the proposed changes requires another set of hearings.

7. New Business – none
8. Correspondence - none
9. Public Comment – none
10. Adjournment

Future Meeting Dates:
1. August 17, 2011 (Wednesday) The Discovery Center The Dalles 10:00 am
2. November 16, 2011 (Wednesday) Portland State Office Building Rm 612 11:00 am
3. February 15, 2012 (Wednesday) Portland State Office Building Rm 612 10:00 am
4. May 16, 2012 (Wednesday) Portland State Office Building Rm 612 10:00 am
5. August 15, 2012 (Wednesday) Portland State Office Building Rm 612 10:00 am