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FORUM COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes

Chairperson Paul Von Berg
Wednesday, Oct 27, 2021
Held Tele-Conference

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Paul Von Berg called the meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m.

Present: Paul Von Berg, Louis Ontiveros, Larry Hopkins, Jason Rafter and DAS Chief

Eric Rood

Absent: Chip Martin and Christopher Christophersen Sr.

A quorum was not met.

II. Review/approve previous Minutes

A motion and a second for approval of the July 28, 2021 meeting minutes. All approved. The motion carried.

III. Discussions and suggestions on future Forum topics.

- Suggestion from Ben Rivera will have Chris speak about mental illness/suicide prevention for our 1st Quarter or 3rd Quarter meeting in 2022. Suicide and suicide prevention in the trades. In 2017, nearly 38,000 persons of working age (16–64 years) in the United States died by suicide, which represents a 40% rate increase in less than 2 decades. Suicide rates were significantly higher in five major industry groups with Construction being one of them.

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- We do not have a speaker for the CAC tomorrow. Discussed that our 1st quarter meeting will still be virtual.
- Suggested topic of Quality and Diversity in business, with active models that are working. Milwaukie Tool was suggested. A member of the apprenticeship stated that they had discussed recently a pilot program to get involved in apprenticeship, sponsoring graduations.
- Discussed the difficulty of networking within the apprenticeship community due to the pandemic.
- Discussed how to reach out, promote or explore recruitment strategies in apprenticeship of young adults 16-24 year olds.
- Paul stated because we have not been meeting in person it has been a challenge to have a forum speaker. He stated that the lack of networking has been an issue. He also stated that there has been less interest with getting a speaker to present virtually.
- Paul asked if anyone had any ideas regarding forum speakers or topics for our CAC meetings that are scheduled for 2022.

IV. Other Items of Interest

- None

V. Adjournment

- Meeting Adjourned at 12:49 a.m.