

State of California
Seismic Safety Commission

Memo

To: Seismic Safety Commissioners

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Subject: Hospital Building Safety Board Annual Report

Background

The Hospital Building Safety Board (HBSB, or “Board”) was established by Senate Bill 519 (Alquist) in the original Hospital Facilities Seismic Safety Act of 1973. The Board is a citizen advisory board with members who are recognized experts in health facility design, engineering and construction. The Board’s purpose is to advise the Director of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) on the administration of the Hospital Facilities Seismic Safety Act and act as a board of appeals with regard to seismic safety, and fire and life safety issues relating to hospital facilities.

Annual Update

Mr. Chris Tokas, S.E., Deputy Division Chief, Facilities Development Division, OSHPD, will present an update on the Board’s Annual Report for 2012. He will also provide an update on the key accomplishments of the Facilities Development Division during the past year.

Enclosed is the Executive Summary of the Hospital Building Safety Board’s 2012 Annual Report. The full report is located on the following website:

http://oshpd.ca.gov/Boards/HBSB/HBSB_AnnualRpt%202012-eVersion.pdf

2012 Annual Report

to the
California Seismic Safety Commission



**Hospital Building Safety Board 2012 Annual Report
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Executive Summary

Introduction

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Composition of the Board

The Director of OSHPD appoints sixteen Board members from nominations submitted by professional associations, as specified in the Health and Safety Code, and has the authority to appoint three more as public ex-officio members. Appointed Board members serve 4-year terms with a maximum of two terms. Six statutory ex-officio members, representing state agencies whose programs interface with the hospital design and construction program, also sit on the Board.

This report contains the agendas, meeting reports, handouts and presentations, and decisions of the Hospital Building Safety Board for 2012. To view the entire report, please see the HBSB website: <http://oshpd.ca.gov/Boards/HBSB/>.

Additional Board-related information can be found on OSHPD’s website:
<http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/Boards/HBSB/index.html>.

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Active Committees for 2012

Board Procedures

Mr. D. Michael Foulkes, Chairperson

The primary objective of the Board Procedures Committee is to work with the Board Chairperson, Executive Director, and OSHPD to address Board policies, procedures, and bylaws, and to work on issues that improve the efficiency and cohesiveness of the Board.

This committee met two times in 2012.

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Instrumentation Committee

Mr. Lou Gilpin, Chairperson

The Instrumentation Committee reviews the status of existing strong motion instruments in hospital facilities. The committee annually reviews and prioritizes newly proposed candidate hospital buildings for strong motion instrumentation.

This committee met once in 2012.

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Structural and Non-Structural Regulations Committee

Ms. Simin Naaseh, Chairperson

This committee addresses issues such as clarifying compliance requirements pertaining to NPC-3 exempt buildings with egress or utilities from nonconforming to conforming buildings; clarifying NPC-5 requirements; and assisting OSHPD in establishing processes for dealing with voluntary seismic improvements, implementation of seismic certification, and identifying criteria for acceptable alternative foundation systems.

This committee met once in 2012.

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Administrative Processes and Code Changes Committee

Mr. John Donelan, Chairperson

The Administrative Processes and Code Change Committee makes recommendations to OSHPD regarding the various plan review processes that the Facilities Development Division (FDD) offers to California's hospital industry. The committee also reviews and makes recommendations for all proposed and emergency regulations prior to OSHPD's

submission to the California Seismic Safety Commission. In addition, the committee assists FDD in developing Policy Intent Notices and Code Application Notices.

This committee met three times in 2012.

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Standard Details Committee

Mr. Bert Hurlbut, Chairperson

The Standard Details Committee develops and submits to OSHPD standard details for use by California’s hospital industry design professionals. These standard details address issues such as wall framing and suspended ceilings. The committee will continue to develop standard details for mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire and life safety, and accessibility.

This committee met four times in 2012.

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Senate Bill 499, Facilities Progress Reporting Committee

Mr. Eric Johnson, Chairperson

The charge of this committee is to review and evaluate the SB 499 reports submitted by hospitals by the November 1st deadline and assist OSHPD in extracting pertinent information to include in a summary which indicates which hospitals are “likely to comply,” be “possibly compliant,” or be “potentially non-compliant” with the seismic deadlines.

This committee met two times in 2012.

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Senate Bill 90 Committee

Mr. John Egan, Chairperson

The purpose of this committee is to act as a public body to review and provide input on the SB 90 emergency regulations and further assist OSHPD with the development and implementation of procedures for the submission of requests for seismic extensions under Senate Bill 90.

This committee was prepared to meet should it be required; however, the deadline to submit an application for an SB 90 extension was extended from March 31st to September 30th and FDD did not have time to review and require input from the committee. The committee did not meet in 2012.

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Education and Outreach Committee

Mr. Arlee Monson, Chairperson

The Education and Outreach Committee disseminates information about educational and training events offered by other organizations, and updates various publications of interest to California's hospital industry, such as the "Guide for Working on Projects under OSHPD Jurisdiction—Tips from the Experts." The committee plans and conducts seminars, and makes recommendations about possible training opportunities to be offered by OSHPD staff. In addition, the committee explores various methods of disseminating information such as posting recordings of presentations and training sessions on OSHPD's website.

This committee met four times in 2012.

Appeals

There were no formal appeals submitted to the Board during the 2012 calendar year.

Hospital Building Safety Board Membership Roster for 2012

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES	NAMES	TERM EXPIRATION DATE	TERM OF SERVICE
Appointed Members (Appointed by OSHPD Director)			
2 structural engineers	Joseph La Brie Simin Naaseh	2/2013 2/2016	2 nd term 2 nd term
2 architects	Robert Kain Arlee Monson	3/2013 5/2014	1 st term 1 st term
1 engineering geologist	Lou Gilpin	10/2015	1 st term
1 geotechnical engineer	John A. Egan	4/2015	2 nd term
1 mechanical engineer	Scott Karpinen	3/2013	1 st term
1 electrical engineer	Eric C. Johnson	5/2014	1 st term
1 hospital facilities manager	Carl Scheuerman	11/2014	1 st term
1 local building official	Y. Henry Huang	5/2016	1 st term
1 general contractor	Bert Hurlbut	11/2014	2 nd term
1 fire/life safety representative	John Donelan	5/2014	1 st term
1 hospital inspector of record	Brian Spindler	2/2016	2 nd term
3 public members	Enid K. Eck Poki Stewart Namkung Michael Osur	10/2015 5/2015 3/2013	1 st term 2 nd term 1 st term

Ex-Officio Members			
OSHPD, Director	Bob David	No Term of Office Stipulated	
State Fire Marshal	Tonya Hoover Ernie Paez, Delegate		
State Geologist	John Parrish Tim McCrink, Delegate Jennifer Thornburg, Delegate		
Building Standards Commission, Executive Director	Jim McGowan Michael Nearman, Delegate		
Department of Public Health, Director	Ron Chapman, M.D., MPH Dan Kotyk, Delegate		
Facilities Development (OSHPD), Deputy Director	Paul Coleman		
Director Appointed Ex-Officio Members (Serve at pleasure of Director)			
3 members	D. Michael Foulkes Trailer Martin Michael O'Connor	No Term of Office Stipulated	