

Missouri Trucking Association's
Council of Safety Supervisors
January 15, 2015

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Jefferson City, MO

Minutes

Members Present

Company Name

City, State

Bruce Aden	Buchheit Trucking	Scott City, MO
Kelly Anderson	Impact	Neosho, MO
Mike Bohon	Great West Casualty Co.	Kirksville, MO
Ron Breau	Missouri Truck Services	Jefferson City, MO
Steff Copeland	MoDOT MCS	Jefferson City, MO
Faith Cory	Impact	Neosho, MO
Nolene Davis	Impact	Neosho, MO
Ed Heath	True North Companies	Kansas City, MO
Eric Hill	Associated Wholesale Grocers	Springfield, MO
Rick Hinkle	CPC Logistics	Chesterfield, MO
Pat Hoag	R&R	Joplin, MO
Stan Kasterke	Prime, Inc.	Springfield, MO
Rose Kastrup	CSA Advisors LLC	Willard, MO
Gary Lane	Schunck Markets Inc.	St. Louis, MO
Lora Littles	Transland	Strafford, MO
John Lummis	Callaway Carriers Inc.	Kingdom City, MO
Phillip Null	Barlow Truck Lines	Faucett, MO
Steve Page	Transport Distribution Company	Joplin, MO
Mike Peluso	Jack Cooper Transport	Kansas City, MO
David Perkins	MO State Highway Patrol	Jefferson City, MO
Russ Quinn	MO Department of Revenue	Jefferson City, MO
Danny Sexton	D&D Sexton	Carthage, MO
Todd Smith	Associated Wholesale Grocers	Springfield, MO
Don Snyder	Gully	Quincy, IL
Jeff Spainhower	Midland Oil	Jefferson City, MO
Terri Sweeten	MEM	Columbia, MO
Louis Thompson	Christenson Transportation	Strafford, MO
Stephen Westerhouse	Frontier Leasing	Joplin, MO
Mark Woodward	MEM	Columbia, MO

MoTA Staff

Jason Ahten - Safety & Membership Services Coordinator

Proceedings:

Council Chairman Dustin Kallmeyer called the January meeting of the Missouri Trucking Association Council of Safety Supervisors to order with a review of the Anti-Trust Guidelines, self-introductions of the members present and approval of the November minutes.

Chairman Kallmeyer distributed Driver of the Month nomination forms. This program presents an opportunity to recognize drivers and the motor carrier for hard work and their efforts to keep our highways safe.

The council next discussed the 2015 Safety Conference and Expo hall. A tentative agenda was distributed to the council that was put together by the Conference planning committee. The planning committee asked the council to review the proposed agenda and offer suggestions. One of the biggest changes to note is the dates. The

planning committee had to move the date back to February 4th and 5th. The planning committee has also made some small changes to the schedule allowing fewer days out of the office and an easier schedule to attend. We have learned a lot over the past couple of years as to what has worked and what has been hard to get people to attend. There will not be an early morning breakfast following the banquet as we have done in the past.

Jason Ahten gave a staff update. Jason first discussed an update from the IRS. The IRS recently released a memo indicating that DPF regen fuel is exempt. You should be able to get a refund on the fuel used to regenerate the DPF filters. Jason reminded the council that adjudicated citations can now be removed from your scores. If a driver is found not guilty or has a ticket dismissed you can now easily have this removed from your record by submitting this into the DATAQ system. Jason noted that he has received several calls from carriers where they are receiving several warnings and not receiving tickets as it has been noted that the warning cannot be scrubbed from your scores like the adjudicated ticket. MSHP indicated they will always write a ticket if a driver is caught going 10+ MPH over the limit. Jason next discussed the liability limits that several had indicated FMCSA was raising. At this time this is just an advanced notice of proposed rulemaking which means it is not even a proposed rule. At this point FMCSA is just asking questions to the industry to see if they need to adjust the limits. Jason provided some positive news coming from FMCSA. They are going to conduct a formal split sleeper birth pilot with 200 drivers to try to prove what they found in the labs, that a driver is safer when given the opportunity to rest when their body needed it and provide a way that it wouldn't hurt their 14-hour clock i.e. a flexible split sleeper berth. Jason also noted that FMCSA is seeking comments on E-log certification. The rule would ask E-log providers to register and self-certify their devices. Comments are due by December 29th. Next Jason discussed FMCSA studying entry-level drivers for the driver training rule. If a driver has obtained a CDL in the past three years and has received an inspection in the past 12 months, FMCSA may ask them to take a survey so they can find out more about their entry level driver training. We are asking you to encourage your drivers to participate in the survey so that we can educate them on the pre-CDL education standards that are already in place. Jason also told the council that ATRI is seeking trucking input about detention time impacts. You can view the survey at www.atri-online.org now through January 2015. The IRS has recently backed off of the HVUT e-file rule. Carriers of any size can now submit paper filing where in the previous 2011 rule any carrier over 24 vehicles had to e-file. The last thing Jason discussed was NTSB recommending FMCSA take away hands free devices as well, following a truck/train crash where they claim the hands free call had distracted the driver.

The council program for January dealt with getting a driver back to work following an injury. Mark Woodward from Missouri Employers Mutual discussed work steps and other return to duty tips to get a driver back to work. The council thanked Mark for a great program.

The next meeting will be the Safety Conference at the Branson Hilton. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 19th in Jefferson City and the program is to be announced.