**Safety Management Council Minutes – November 18, 2021**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 am by Chairman Norm Patchell. Due to COVID, the meeting was convened via ZOOM. Approximately 18 members were present, attendance was not taken.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Fatigue/Impairment monitoring – Carol Setters, Alert Meter – Predictive Safety SRP, Inc.
* Employees may not be capable of accurately judging their own risks when their alertness is impaired.
	+ Night shifts and rotating shifts
	+ Stress
	+ Drug and alcohol use
* Statistics on poor sleep – costs companies millions of dollars
* Reduction in costs with fatigue management programs
* Fatigue Management Approaches
	+ Review particular situations
	+ Educate workforce– example: offering water/staying hydrated is huge
	+ Simple protocols for supervisory intervention
* Driver technologies for detecting fatigue
	+ Vehicle Operation Monitors – changes in steering, acceleration or braking
	+ Driver Monitors with in-cab cameras – detection of drowsy driver behavior
	+ Actography Wearables – hats that detect nodding off
	+ Ocular Detection Glasses – detect change is pupils
	+ EEG Detection Hats – detect alertness changes in brain waves
* A Day In The Life
	+ AlertMeter visual games on a tablet or phone measuring individual’s alertness
	+ Rare circumstances where employee tests outside their normal range
	+ Supervisor receives notification text or email
	+ Company protocol is followed for safety conversation with employee for next steps
* Known Cognitive Issues – fatigue, illness, emotional distress, heat stress and dehydration, drugs and alcohol, etc.
* Fatigue Management DIY – assess fatigue risk, examine schedules, educate employees, NSC Fatigue Toolkit, etc.
* Scott Clark mentioned that this is about being proactive instead of reactive – educate everyone.
* Tim Doyle asked about retesting during shifts – Carol said that companies decide their protocols on how often they will test during the day. Scott they retest during the day.
1. Close calls/near misses – Norm Patchell, Safety Director, HO Bouchard
* HO Bouchard uses KeepTruckin
* Inward and outward facing cameras
* Showed how system works and data that can be reviewed
* Scott Clark, Savage Trucking, shared some examples of their dashcam recordings – they are switching camera systems for better clarity
* Dave Smiley asked about how the specific recording that we watched started – answer: driver initiated for camera system to record so it would be saved
* Norm asked about how recordings are saved – old camera system uses a SD card
* Jessefa Murphy asked about sound with recordings – Scott said different systems have different options
* Videos are saved and many times used for driver education

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. MMTA/APTA Transportation Safety Conference Wrap-up – Tim Doyle
	* Feedback was it was one of the better conferences even though it was a smaller group
	* Presentations are available for review – <https://www.mmta.com/tsc21/>
	* Canadian team will let us know where the conference will be next year
2. Entry Level Driver Training – Impact on Carriers – Randy DeVault
	* 2/7/2022
	* Those providing their own training, you have to have a curriculum that meets federal standards. The one being recommended is from JJ Keller. See information and link below.
	* As long as driver gets permit before Feb 7th, will be all set.
	* FMCSA ELDT link – <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/registration/commercial-drivers-license/entry-level-driver-training-eldt>
		+ Can register now to be approved training FMCSA training facility
	* Randy mentioned that there are also State of Maine standards for being an Instructor that must be met if you receive payment for services as a school (Chapter 9 rules of SOS).
	* Norm asked about a driver who has never had hazmat needing the endorsement – need to go through training – not for renewals, only new

Link to JJ Keller information:

<https://www.jjkeller.com/Category/custom-entry-level-driver-training-manuals?krypto=r8Gd2NpzpdBou0b1DJNe1LGQjR8wg7sQED5YhPo9hF9Flg1KetW8Ty97whISLQfGrg9SZCZ7Zg56dnNgiNg6xGT7AbQdmhQVKdnmeqd1o%2FtpSQH%2FBGco1n%2FfBbWyqfEoLBmo%2BL312YmJ0uj%2Fj1AIAWiLTgzmsKpCUQ2SWzOuBkz8wlF5odWJxV%2BGOo18lFlo&#facet:&productBeginIndex:0&facetLimit:&orderBy:&pageView:grid&minPrice:&maxPrice:&pageSize:&>



1. TDC/PTSC – Randy & Tim
	* Going to have to promote to get back into competition mode
	* Need drivers and technicians, equipment, volunteers
	* May 21, 2022
	* Committee will be meeting soon to begin preparations
2. Fleet Safety Awards – Tim
	* Phase 3 of the process is next week
	* Need to encourage others to put in for the Fleet Safety Awards

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Annual Banquet – Tim
	* Virtual Annual Banquet for 2022 – Live event January 6th, 3 pm, comedian will be live
2. Topics for meetings – May will be with MSP
	* Asked members to suggest topics for future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 09:20 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

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