

January 2024
01/08/2024 09:01

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Mike Call 2nd by Jeff Sichta 8-0 in favor

Motion to accept financial report Mike Brown 2nd Brian Held unanimous

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 26 turns on

RE10: 8 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on calls for 6.86-7.45 may cut 1

Legislative:

No report

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

\$3133.49 80 members

Unfinished Business:

Still working on sept/apart dh's. Keep putting claims in for continuous time

Dwight is recommending to not take your meals on the end of your shift

New Business:

Turn Zebras in to CB if you happen to be there. If you don't get to CB, wait for instructions at your location. Keep using them if you still have one.

Log on and stay logged on to PTC on the Sioux City sub

L/C meeting on 12/19-Boone crews moved to CB. Talk about moving Fremont pool to CB also

Vacations should be in CMTS finally

If you chose to take PS as single day vacation days, they will be used first and will come out of your last week of single days

If you're having trouble getting FMLA, reach out to Dwight

If you yard your train and it fits in one track and you are instructed to set cars over, it's a 20b claim

6 FIT's starting end of January. You don't need to use EMS when they run. Make sure you are logged on whether it's used or not

New critical safety rules are going to be more focused on the guy on the ground. Main engineer issues are stopping at the clearance points and class 3's

When securing your train, the engines don't count towards brakes. You have to do a release before you tie your engines down. All parts of the securement rules are considered critical rules

You must repeat who-how-distance and direction for shoving

Make sure you're stopping 100 ft from derails until they're in derailing position

Peer Trainer positions are bulletined- bids come down 01/11

Brian McCoy makes a motion to purchase microphones for TEAMS meetings 2nd Nick Eichoff 10-1 in favor.

If you're on an assigned job and aren't going to be rested, there's a supt bulletin addressing this. If you follow that you'll be fine. The carrier can't change the start time for your rest on yard jobs

We don't have a classification for hours of service relief while dog catching. We have rule 22 for zone and rule 71 for automatic release. If you called automatic release, you don't have to call before tie up if you have no instructions to do so.

If you have vacation you want to change to or from single days, it needs to be done by Jan 31st.

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons

Recently passed away:

Motion to suspend reading the minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd Brian Held, 11-0 in favor

Meeting adjourned 10:37

February 2024
02/12/2024 09:02

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Mike Brown 2nd by Mike Call 8-0 in favor

Motion to accept financial report Jeff Sichta 2nd Brian McCoy unanimous 9-0

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 29 turns on

RE10: 9 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on

Legislative:

Quadrennial meeting Feb 13th-14th, House may vote on two person crew bill

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

\$3133.49 80 members

Unfinished Business:

Turn Zebras in whenever you can

Pay attention to Critical rules for yourself and your crew

RedBlock and Lifesaver positions are being pushed back. Bids have come down and Carrier is dragging their feet

Mediation for peer trainer and ratio board claims is Feb 29th

Deadhead separate/apart claims are being paid on appeal. Payments are difference in pay between straight time and O.T

Purchased speaker and microphone for Zoom meetings

New Business:

FRA called a meeting about recent snowstorm and other issues

Brian Held attended the FRA meeting, HOS and fireman training were discussed. Both crew members have to report an HOS violation for it to be valid

The FRA will never issue a waiver to violate HOS. There's a wrecking service designation for mainline derailments(up to 16hrs of service). This is to be able to get other crews in place and

assist with the cleanup. Once the mainline is open you need to be released.
Jeff Sichta made a motion to raise monthly dues from \$164 a month to \$170, also a one time \$50 assessment to get our local funds to a reasonable amount to be able to operate from month to month. We have steadily lost members due to retirement or other issues and until recently have had no new members to backfill. We currently have less than \$2500 dollars in our account with a majority of that thanks to the annual golf outing. This will be voted on for 2 more meetings, today's meeting was 9-0 in favor.

A van and crew must be on duty and enroute before your HOS expires. A crew called before your HOS but isn't enroute before you expire is an HOS violation

FRA is okay with shortened fireman training

You do not have to let a fireman run if you feel uncomfortable doing so

State Legislative Rep Pat Pfifer is retiring, there will be a vote for new rep

HOS reporting on the Easter District website, you can also report safety hotline issues if they're not being taken care of locally

11-4 was implemented on the Salina hub, Denver hub is being done on 3/6. You can keep up with implementation by going on 11-4.org

L/C meeting notes. New agreement for PL days earned and years of service being restored if you are brought back to work

Filing claims will drop from 60 days to 30 days, Carrier will be responsible for submitting declined claims to General Committee

Supposed to be putting a right of way in Mondamin siding. Fighting to get AGP trains on Sioux City pool. There's a number to call the scale house at AGP for any questions pulling or spotting. 1-800-798-4282

20B claims are valid on any train you have to s/o to a different track than you yarded in. (ig4se, zg2brb or coal train with sand cars or manifest) put track you doubled to and yardmasters initials.

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fler
Chuck Lyons

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading the minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd Luke Wright, 9-0 in favor

Meeting adjourned 10:39

March 2024
03/11/2024 09:02

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Mike Brown 2nd by Kenneth Stanfield – unanimous – 14-0.

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 25 turns on
RE10: 8 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on

Legislative:

New Nebraska State Chairman voted in. Adam Hausman. Not who we voted for. State raised dues \$4.00

New Members:

Joe Buelt

Financial Report:

\$2798 – 84 members

Motion to accept financial report Mike Brown, 2nd Brian Held unanimous 14-0

Unfinished Business:

Motion made on 2-12-24 by J Sichta to raise monthly dues from \$164 to \$170 a month also a one time assessment of \$50 to get our funds to a reasonable amount to operate from month to month. (2nd voting meeting). Today's vote was 6-0 in favor by those not there on 2/12/24

Hours of service complaints must be filed by both Engineer and Conductor

11-4 has been implemented in Portland Hub, Salt Lake Hub, Denver Hub, Salina Hub and Dalhart Texas.

Turn in 20b claims (IG4SE, ZG2BR for example) Claim language is on website.

Turn in Ratio claims for home and away violations

Peer Trainer positions awarded:

Peer Trainer – Chris Dittus
Red Block – Terry Pittman, Paul McGrath
Lifesaver – Rob Kennedy

Hotel in Grand Island need CLC card – go online to request a new one.

Rule 56 change of class of service while dogcatching

New Business:

Managers sitting on unsecured trains in North Platte can't happen. Notify LC Zahnow if you encounter it.

Harriman keeping track of Z train crew changes

Make effort to get on and out of town. 30 minutes from on duty time to departure is the goal.

Behind 28 deadheads on RE51. Will be inserting skips

Deadheads will not change on 11-4

New manager in Lexington is a go getter, putting extra work trains on

Fremont Pool – everybody on board with move to Council Bluffs, looking at cost effectiveness.

Sioux City Sub is our only sub that is electronic conveyance. Anything that you acknowledge on PTC needs to be verbally done with dispatcher on radio and get a OK time.

Wye switch at Sergeant Bluff has to be lined for the main, south and north switch. This is a decertifiable event. Conductor walks or get a van back to head end.

Mile markers being replaced on Sioux City Sub.

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer

Chuck Lyons

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading the minutes by Rob Kennedy 2nd Jeff Sichta, 14-0 in favor

Meeting adjourned 10:14

April 2024
04/08/2024 09:02

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Mike Call 2nd by Kenneth Stanfield – unanimous – 12-0.

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 24 turns on
RE10: 9 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on

Legislative:

2 man crew is now a FRA Rule

New Members:

John Duysen

Financial Report:

\$2306.70 – 84 members

Motion to accept financial report Mike Call, 2nd Mike Brown unanimous 10-0

Unfinished Business:

Motion made on 2-12-24 by J Sichta to raise monthly dues from \$164 to \$170 a month also a one time assessment of \$50 to get our funds to a reasonable amount to operate from month to month. (3rd voting meeting). Todays vote was 2-0 in favor by those not there on 2/12/24 & 3/11/24

Please report to LC Zahnow ASAP via text or email anytime a manager is observed tending a un-secured train. He needs date, time, train symbol, location, and managers name

The Carrier is still keeping track of the Z trains stopped times while changing crews at Missouri Valley.

LC Zahnow is still in the process of placing skips on the IE51 sequence board, paying back the deadheads that the 2nd District owed.

LC Zahnow is still in talks with the Carrier about the Fremont pool moving to Council Bluffs because that is where the Boone crews are tying up.

New Business:

LC Zahnow went over FRA tie up reporting. We need to do a better job when filing out the FRA reporting on tie up. If we have a time claim for a rules violation and the FRA reporting is missing or inaccurate, then the time claim is dead.

FRA activity codes are:

DH – for deadheading

OT – for other, this would encompass any other than a train or deadheading.

Example: OT – waiting for train
OT – going through paperwork
OT – waiting for ride

ER – for when a error was made on the previous tie up

LC Zahnow discussed numerous time claims. Ratio claims can be claimed at both ends of the road. Rule 23 claim if you are picking up or setting out cars in through freight service for a local. Rule 56 – per minute claim – for being changed to a different class of service. Rule 20 for hostling power, for this claim to be valid, you must tie-on to a cut of cars and perform a securement test. Rule 20 claims in the terminal if 3 or more moves are made. For this claim to be valid it must be stated that the track was not filled to capacity. As always, a supervisor’s name is required for these types of claims.

PS Day Agreement allows for Medical Documentation for the Carrier if requested. If documentation is not provided when requested, a charge for 1.13 could happen.

Portal messages are suppose to be read before every tour of duty.

PL build up starts will not count while working as a trainmen.

11-4 will be here before we know it. LC Zahnow would like to start working on the implementation agreement and asked for input.

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading the minutes by Randy Schochenmaier 2nd Mike Brown, 14-0 in favor

Meeting adjourned 10:57

May 2024
05/13/2024 09:01

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Dave Winchester 2nd by Brian Held–
unanimous – 12-0.

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 25 turns on
RE10: 8 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

\$8529.32 – 84 members

Motion to accept financial report Paul McGrath, 2nd Jason Ward unanimous 12-0 in favor 4-0 in
favor 699

Unfinished Business:

11/4 meeting at the end of the month. Carrier has already cancelled once. North Platte is arbitrating
a couple of things, so we won't be implemented until after them.

If you take a PS day and the Carrier tells you to fill anything out, fill it out

New Business:

C-12's are being watched very closely, our managers aren't looking to fire, but will not tolerate
continuing violations

Quadrennial meeting in KC is coming up

Local 699 is being abolished and absorbed by 183

Discussions with carrier about how to handle LU when 11/4 starts

Dwight is going to try to get an extra board in Columbus. The work calls for it and there seems to
be interest

Annual golf tourney is June 6th

Joe Brown and Dan Detten were involved in an accident riding in an RCX van caused by another

driver. Both banged up but otherwise ok

Brian Held makes a motion to add another vice local chairperson with the addition of former 699 members, 2nd by Mike Brown. Pay will be reimbursement of monthly dues. First vote 12-0 in favor

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons
Joe Brown
Kris Everson

Recently passed away:

None

June 2024
06/10/2024 09:00

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Dave Winchester 2nd by Jeff Sichta– unanimous – 14-1.

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 25 turns on
RE10: 8 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56:10 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

18323.28 – 83members

Motion to accept financial report Jeff Sichta, 2nd Luke Wright unanimous

Unfinished Business:

11/4 has been halted by Carrier for now. Meeting canceled with Dwight-again. We will start time slipping them on July 1st.

Union is meeting with carrier in Las Vegas on 06/10 to discuss issues with 11/4

Carrier wants cross protecting pools(pools covering other pools), we do not want that

Call CMS to take 23hrs rest on your 5th start if you want it, issues on CMS end

Peer trainer and ratio board claims are waiting on funding for arbitration

When 11/4 is implemented we will need to discuss compensation for LU for officers

New Business:

Bulletin changes popping up on PTC are supposed to be copied and verified by dispatcher

Dwight recommends we call the safety hotline for this issue. BLETED website has a link to submit safety issues. They go directly to the state legislative board

Quadrennial meeting in KC last week, SMART is actively trying to poach BLET members at multiple shortline rr's

Carrier is watching inward cameras during all work events and with all students

Tier 2 is 5 best years + years of service x .0007 shared between you and your spouse. Tier 1 is your highest paid 35 years of working, rr or other employment

You must still follow all speed restrictions and rules even if EMS is engaged, if EMS is speeding it's up to you to get it slowed down

Suspend reading of minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd Dave Winchester-unanimous

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons
Joe Brown
Kris Everson
Eric White

Recently passed away:

None

Meeting closed at 10:37

July 2024
07/08/2024 09:00

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Luke Wright 2nd by Dave Winchester unanimous – 9-0

Mileage Report:

RE51: 25 turns on

RE10: 8 turns on

RE56: 8 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

20,897 – 87 members

Motion to accept financial report Brian McCoy, 2nd Jeff Sichte unanimous 11-0

Unfinished Business:

Take time reviewing the bulletins that pop on PTC to make sure you're getting everything

New Business:

11-4 not even being discussed. Time slips will be filed for each member at the end of each month

One of the issues is the carrier now wants you to mark up 1st out when you come off your rest days, we're against this

Carrier also wants cross pool protection, calling any pool to go anywhere when another pool is exhausted. They also have an issue with the 23hr rest for working 4 or 5 consecutive days.

Conflicting reports on how far the tracks are open north of Sioux City

Make sure you review the new attendance policy and are familiar with it

If your computer based training isn't done you will be put in PR status without pay and assessed points for attendance

Ycb55 and ycb56 are TSE's, you should be getting \$28 if you have a fireman on these jobs

When 11-4 does eventually start we are going to have a discussion about how we pay our L/C for investigations. We can't expect them to forfeit pay and the local can't afford to reimburse indefinitely. One possibility is raising dues to compensate L/C for 1 week a month for union business.

Luke Wright brought up the one week of pay could replace the monthly salary the L/C is now paid

September 24th arbitration is scheduled for several issues. Peer trainer, ratio board claims, zone rule etc.

Trying to get specific switching limits for each terminal to make claims easier to file

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons
Eric White
John Johnson
Randy Richards

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Dave Winchester 2nd by Jeff Sichta unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:24

August 2024
08/12/2024 09:01

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Brian Held 2nd by Wayne Keefer unanimous – 13-1 in favor

BLE 183 Report:

RE51: 25 turns on

RE10: 8 turns on

BLE 699 Report:

RE56: 11 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

20988.34 – 94 members

Motion to accept financial report Brian Held, 2nd Mike Brown unanimous 14-0

Unfinished Business:

11-4 discussions are resuming. In divisions without 11-4 implemented, time slips will continue to be filed until it is

Still scheduled for arbitration in September for 11-4 not being implemented. Our position is Carrier bargained in bad faith for wanting to change provisions of 11-4 without negotiating

All time claims that get paid by arbitration are over and above guarantee

The purpose for filing time claims is not only financial, it's also to stop the behavior of violating our agreements

Dwight's plan is to try to have an extra board in CB and Columbus once 11-4 is implemented. Extra boards will also have an 11-4 schedule of some type

New Business:

Peer trainer settlements went out on 08/10 per mediation. We only had 8 members that actually bid on the jobs. The settlement was based on basic days for those members split amongst all members

New zone limits are in place from each terminal-It is a signed agreement and claims will be paid. Make sure you are filing claims from the terminal you went on duty from

Ratio claims are to be argued Sept. 27th and the Carrier has agreed to pay all ratio claims based on

what the arbitrator rules. There are thousands of ratio claims. Remember, ratio claims are also for the afht

Terminal limits also apply to pool turns. If you get on your train East of Fremont outside of the terminal limits, you are entitled to long pool trip rate

Quadrennial meeting starts on 08/12 for new GCA committees. The results are effective immediately. By-law changes are also being voted on

Our local elections are in November, nominations are due at the September meeting. Nomination notices are posted at all on duty locations

With the new attendance policy, in the event of an emergency, try to reach out to the service unit before you lay off and make them aware of the issue. If you're close or going to be over your points, it might help if you reach out first

The only way we are going to get the carrier to pay our claims/stop violating our agreements is by filing time claims. The larger the liability for the carrier the more likely we are to get paid/have agreements followed

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fler
Chuck Lyons
Eric White
John Johnson

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Randy Schochenmaier 2nd by Luke Wright unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:44

September 2024
09/09/2024 09:03

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Mike Brown 2nd by Tom Caudillo
unanimous – 14-1 in favor

Committee Reports

RE51: 27 turns on

RE10: 10 turns on

RE56: 10 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

Nick Hadaway

Financial Report:

21521.47 – 98 members

Motion to accept financial report Brian McCoy, 2nd Eric Davis unanimous 16-0

Unfinished Business:

11-4 are back on but carrier hasn't reached out yet

Zone claims should be getting paid

Please try to talk to the service unit before you hit 28 points if you're having attendance issues.
Local management is upholding all attendance cases and leaving it up to Labor Relations to bring
employee back to work

Contractor hired to put walkway in on Mondamin siding, no progress yet

New Business:

Car dept was putting conductors name on eot test air slip before crew was even on duty. Thanks to
Nick Eickhoff for bringing this to our attention. FRA is working on it

Carrier is really hammering EMS and DG unit usage

Drone testing has increased and will continue to be used

More and more claims are being paid. Keep submitting them, it's worth the little time it takes.
Make sure you are showing your rubber miles

General committee stayed the same at quadrennial meeting

Color blind cases are going to court in February

Monday November 11th for annual dinner

December meeting will be in person only due to ballots being counted for our triennial election

Nominations were made for triennial election:

President: Wayne Keefer by Brian McCoy 2nd by Jeff Nourse-Keefer by acclamation

Vice President: Brian McCoy by Dwight Zahnow 2nd by Mike Brown, Terry Munoz by Corey Benisek 2nd by Jeff Nourse

Sec/Treas: Ed Abboud by Tom Caudillo 2nd by Jeff Fletcher-Abboud by acclamation

Alt Sec/Treas: Luke Wright by Rob Kennedy 2nd by Mike Brown-Wright by acclamation

Guide: Chris Dittus by Brian McCoy 2nd by Terry Pittman-Dittus by acclamation

Chaplain: Eric Davis by Mike Brown 2nd by Brian McCoy-Davis by acclamation

Delegate to National: Dwight Zahnow by Brian McCoy 2nd by Mike Brown-Zahnow by acclamation

1st alt to National: Brian McCoy by Dwight Zahnow 2nd by Eric Davis-McCoy by acclamation

2nd alt to National: Wayne Keefer by Dwight Zahnow 2nd by Rob Kennedy-Keefer by acclamation

Legislative Rep: Mike Call by Brian McCoy 2nd by Terry Munoz-Call by acclamation

Alt Legislative Rep: Luke Wright by Corey Benisek 2nd by Randy Richards-Wright by acclamation

L/C: Dwight Zahnow by Brian McCoy 2nd by Mike Brown - Randy Richards by Corey Benisek 2nd by Terry Pittman

1st Vice L/C: Brian Held by Mike Brown 2nd Rob Kennedy-Held by acclamation

2nd Vice L/C: Mike Brown by Dwight Zahnow 2nd Eric Davis-Jeff Nourse by Terry Munoz 2nd Corey Benisek

1st Trustee: Tom Caudillo by Terry Munoz 2nd Eric Davis-Caudillo by acclamation

2nd Trustee: Jeff Fletcher by Dwight Zahnow 2nd Jeff Nourse- Fletcher by acclamation

3rd Trustee: Mike Call by Dwight Zahnow 2nd Brian McCoy-Mike Waszgis by Jeff Nourse 2nd Corey Benisek

1st alt Trustee: Kevin Wood by Jeff Fletcher 2nd Jeff Nourse-Wood by acclamation

2nd alt Trustee: Corey Benisek by Terry Munoz 2nd Jeff Nourse-Benisek by acclamation

3rd alt Trustee: Nick Eickhoff 2nd Mike Brown-Eickhoff by acclamation

Election committee: Randy Schochenmaier, Jeff Fletcher and Corey Benisek

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fleer
Chuck Lyons

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Eric Davis 2nd by Rob Kennedy unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:42

October 2024
10/14/2024 09:00

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Eric Davis 2nd by Kenneth Stanfield
unanimous

Motion to accept financial report Jeff Sichta 2nd Eric Davis unanimous

Committee Reports

RE51: 27 turns on

RE10: 10 turns on

RE56: 9 turns on may add 1

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

25636.63 – 96 members

Unfinished Business:

Carrier is taking exception for using DG units-follow your paperwork

Use EMS or have an explanation on tie-up

Annual dinner Mon. Nov. 11th at Pizza King

Union won a court ruling allowing discovery concerning 11/4 negotiations. There will be depositions and the carrier is required to turn over all info regarding 11/4 negotiations

New Business:

A grievance was filed by brother Pittman concerning his eligibility to run for office. The National stated “ a member must have 24 months consecutive dues payment w/o exception”

Carrier was fined for MCBNP air-slip fiasco, no idea the amount of the fine

If you are asked to update your daily inspection cards arriving in North Platte, inform them you will update and will be inspecting the units.

Brother Thompson is coming back to work on leniency per Labor Relations

Drone testing going hot and heavy, mainly yard jobs and locals. If you see a drone you may request it be landed because it is distracting you. It must be landed, but, it may be put back in the air

Lots of camera testing in Columbus-be careful

New GM Nate Hammond

Make sure you are reporting excessive train lengths (over 8500ft) to the state legislative board. There's a link on the BLETED website

Vacations are still going to be entered on the BLETED website. We want records of bids so we're sticking with our website. Bids are open now.

Ballots will be sent out first week of November for triennial election

Jeff Sichta will replace Randy Schochemeir on election committee

Engineers still have 3 move rule. If you yard a train and make more than 3 moves doing it, it's a claim. Be specific- tracks used, if you filled a track, etc.

Ratio claims are now in an arbitrator's hands.

Peer Trainer Settlement discussed. The settlement was a result of mediation. If Schumacher hadn't resigned from his position, LC Zahnnow would have picked him to continue on. The individual who is now doing ORB is a union employee from MOW.

When called in ID service, it is a violation of the ID agreement to perform local work. If this happens, file a time claim with all of the pertinent information.

Rivers lead in Grand Island belongs to the 18th District. If ordered to perform service on that track, file a time claim for violation of Rule 88 with all the pertinent information.

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fler
Chuck Lyons
Kevin Rose

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd by Eric Davis; unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:11

November 2024
11/11/2024 09:06

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd by Randy Schochemaier unanimous

Motion to accept financial report Brian McCoy 2nd Jeff Sichta unanimous

Committee Reports

RE51: 27 turns on

RE10: 8 turns on

RE56: 9 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

25636.63 – 96 members

Unfinished Business:

Keep turning trains in over 8500 ft to the state legislative board

Still waiting on arbitrator's decision on ratio board claims

New Business:

Brian McCoy made motion to pick an election committee of members present at meeting to get ballots stuffed and mailed out. 2nd by Jeff Sichta-unanimous. Jeff Sichta, Randy Schochemaier, and Paul McGrath were chosen. Ballots were mailed on 11/11

Andy Allison won his law board and is waiting on paperwork to get back to work

Vacation bidding is open

Make sure your DG units are shutdown, weather permitting

You can use additional units to avoid stalling without permission. Make sure you shut them back down after

Make sure you are manually adjusting your TPA due to p/u's and s/o's

Turn trains over 10,000 ft to L/C so he can get with legislative rep

All FRA violations by UP are being considered willful violations by the FRA due to the number of

violations

VE status will reset your starts towards attendance credits

Watch ratio board calling-CMS or corridor are overriding occasionally to get crews off held away

Report excessively long trips to L/C, especially CBNP

Don't take a meal on the end of yard jobs or locals. Request a meal period and if your denied file a claim. Labor Relations is paying 2 hrs pay in conference. You're entitled to a 2nd meal period after 10 hrs on yard jobs

Currently working with Carrier about reducing times for investigations/discipline. Eliminating time between incident and investigation

Shortening times for Carrier and Union to process, charging manager will be required to get you laid off for investigation along with all witnesses. Process is also being shortened for time claims. To speed the process our time to appeal will go from 60 days to 30 days

Carrier is talking about implementing 11/4 on Sioux City pool because it is a single ended pool

Sick or injured:

Kurt Fler

Chuck Lyons

Kevin Rose

John Johnson

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Brian Held 2nd by Mike Brown unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:14

December 2024
12/09/2024 09:00

Open meeting with due form

Motion to suspend reading of previous months minutes by John Sweeney 2nd by Jeff Sichta 12-1 in favor

Motion to accept financial report Randy Schochemaier 2nd Ken Stanfield 13-0 in favor

Committee Reports

RE51: 25 turns on
RE10:10 turns on
RE56: 8 turns on

Legislative:

None

New Members:

None

Financial Report:

\$21,980.22 – 95 members

Unfinished Business:

11-4 on Sioux City still being discussed

Watch ratio boards for skips to avoid held away

Vacations are done, will take a couple of weeks for CMTS to populate

You don't need permission to use extra units if you're over TPA

Keep turning in 10,000+ ft trains regardless if you're dpu or not

Locals aren't entitled to a 2nd meal period

Turn in excessive HOS trips

New Business:

Peer trainer position is re-bulletined, Carrier screwed it up so watch for new bulletin

2 new agreements to be voted on discussed previously. Discipline and Time Claims-both accepted unanimously at today's meeting

We have no provision to allow SMART engineers to bid on open vacations. They'll have to inquire through L/C or officer in charge of vacations

Discussed float weeks and STD-E floating

Discussed re-doing annual vacation screen

Discussed rule 20b claims when exceeding 3 moves

Daily inspection in a terminal while mechanical dept is on duty is a time claim. Award 458 side letter #7

Election results:

L/C-Zahnow-37 votes Richards-22 votes
Vice President-Terry Munoz-37 votes McCoy-22 votes
2nd Vice Local-Nourse-31 votes Mike Brown-28 votes
Trustee-Waszgis-41 votes Mike Call-18 votes

Sick or injured:

Chuck Lyons
John Johnson

Recently passed away:

None

Motion to suspend reading of minutes by Jeff Sichta 2nd by John Sweeney 14-0 in favor
Meeting closed at 10:28