
LLOYDMINSTER REGIONAL MEETING AGENDA

Date: **Thursday January 26, 2012 – date change!**

Place: **Best Western Hotel (Wayside Inn) @ 11:30am**

Northeast Regional Director – Rod Shopland

Chairperson: Rod Shopland **Night Hawk Truck Lines**

Co-Chairperson:

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In Attendance:

1.0 Call to Order/Self Introduction

2.0 Additions (if required) and approval of Agenda

3.0 Approval of the Minutes

4.0 Guest Speaker: Jerry Lennox – Dangerous Goods
Topic: Paperwork Compliance

5.0 Driver of the Month:

December was David Simpson of Rosenau Transport in Edmonton, AB.

January is Donald Witter from Grimshaw Trucking in Edmonton, AB.

Companies are encouraged to submit their nomination forms. Form can be found at www.amta.ca.

6.0 Reports

6.1 Board of Directors,

6.2 Injury Reduction and Training Advisory Council.

6.3 Partners in Compliance

6.4 Compliance and Regulatory Affairs Advisory Council.

6.5 Police Services

6.6 Transportation Services

6.7 Workers' Compensation Board Report

6.8 Office of Traffic Safety

7.0 Outstanding Business

8.0 New Business

9.0 Adjournment

**PLEASE RSVP FOR DINNER TO
ROD SHOPLAND, IN LLOYDMINSTER AT 780 – 875-4955**

Next scheduled meeting – Thursday March 15 or 29, 2012

6.0 REPORTS for January 2012 Regional Meetings

a) Board of Directors Report

Van Horne Institute – November 18, 2011 – The Executive Director attended a meeting hosted by the Van Horne Institute, “Calgary Region as a Transportation Hub”. The purpose of this meeting was for the leaders of transportation, supply chain, logistics, distribution, air transportation, surface transportation, passenger transportation and warehousing industries will discuss a vision of Calgary’s future economy. They will develop a blue print for the transportation infrastructure and policy changes required for support that economic vision to ensure that the Region maintain its competitive advantage as Western Canada’s hub.

Immigration Coalition Teleconference – November 29, 2011 – The coalition on immigration is a group of Alberta Associations representing employers for a wide cross-section of the Alberta economy, dedicated to advocating improvements to Canada’s immigration of workers.

Ports-to-Plains – November 30, 2011 – The Executive Director attended a meeting at the Alberta Legislation with the AMTA President and Michael Reeves, President of the Association. Len Mitzel, Parliamentary Assistant to the Transportation Minister was also present. A general discussion took place around items such as; developing Wild Horse crossing and major highway routes. The Executive Director was later invited to attend the members’ gallery to hear a debate on the new impaired driving initiatives.

Performance Evaluation Training – December 5, 2011 – The Executive Director, along with the AMTA Managers and Supervising staff attended this full day training session.

TT&DA – December 6, 2011 – The Executive Director attended the TT&DA meeting in Red Deer, AB. The committee decided to pursue the program and lobby Government members. Red Deer College will no longer support this program.

b) IRT report prepared by Tara Stroud

We are still looking for nominations for Safety Person of the Year Award. The deadline has been extended to **28 February 2011**. For nominations, please visit the link on our website; <http://www.amta.ca/Safety/Awards.html>

AMTA Training Courses for January 2012:

If you or your organization has any training needs please get registered while there are seats available. Don’t forget CVSA is on 12 January 2012 at AMTA in Calgary. Visit our website for dates and registration.

Calgary

PDIC Instructor
LCV Instructor
TSB

Edmonton

Auditor Training
Traffic Collision
LCV Recertification

CVSA
Facilitator Skills
Auditor Training
LCV Recertification
PDIC Recertification
Auditor Recertification (1st Feb)
Self Evaluator Recertification (2nd Feb)

PDIC Recertification
Auditor Recertification
Self Evaluator Recertification
Cargo Securement (3rd Feb)

Regional Meetings:

Thanks to everyone who has participated in our survey to date. The meetings are a great forum for news and networking within our industry – with your help, we can really target areas of interest. Your input will be considered and decisions will be based on majority.

Please bring a new industry contact along with you to our next meeting.

General news:

Our IRT Coordinators will be spending more time on the road in 2012. We hope to visit with each of you soon.

On behalf of AMTA's IRT team, I would like to thank you all for continuing to support our association. We wish you all a safe and happy new year. Let's continue to keep our roads safe in 2012!

c) CRA - Regional Report by Bud Rice

The CRA Manager attended the Accommodation in the Workplace course. This course consists of What an Employer Must Do. The employer must accommodate an employee with any kind of health concern-whether physical or mental-up to the point of undue hardship. The Supreme Court has to allow a "tolerable range of risk" if there's a conflict between a safety rule and an accommodation rule. In such a case, human rights obligations would trump health and safety. What Accommodation is. Accommodation means making changes to certain rules, standards, policies, workplace cultures and physical environments to ensure that they don't have a negative effect on a person because of the persons mental or physical disability, religion, gender or any other protected background.

We had scheduled a Cargo Securement Course for December 13 in Calgary, however due to low registration, it was cancelled.

We had our last LCV meeting of the year on December 16, 2011. Alberta Transportation gave us a report from her various meetings within the Government, it was quite lengthy, the minutes will be coming. The AMTA will be filing an exemption application for the mandatory requirement of ABS airbrakes on converters. Bison Transport brought up a boundary issue that was a problem for them, which was dealt with at the meeting. An e-mail was received regarding the bridge laws for single and double converters. Alberta Transportation mentioned that no changes had taken place yet. Highway 43 was another topic. When would the industry be able to pull LCV's right thru from Valley view to Grand Prairie. We have no firm dates at this point, but Alberta Transportation will give us a six month advance notice as to when we can expect to start.

f) Partners In Compliance prepared by Kim Hrushenski

Year end is always a good time to pause and review the events of the past year. We were busy, which is a wonderful way to answer "How are things?" Thankfully, that statement seems to be universal in our industry and for that we are grateful.

Here is a bit of what we have been up to this past year:

1. Our Partners were joined by 14 new member companies in 2011, bringing our membership to 39, inclusive of 2 bus companies. We now have representation of over 8400 vehicles on our roadways, with over 1600 utilizing the Vehicle Identification System and transponder's allowing inspection station bypass at a rate of 98%.
2. We had opportunity to attend many conferences, seminars, trade shows and workshops, providing us with a multitude of contacts, future PIC members, information and education.
3. Partner's staff attended all the AMTA driver appreciation BBQ's in the province, with the exception of one.
4. We were honored to be included as volunteer's at the Calgary Civic and the AMTA Driver Championships, both on a provincial and national level. All were very positive and exceptional experiences.
5. In 2011 our member group has diversified a great deal; it now includes some carriers from sectors that may not seem typical. We have a municipality member, a 3-truck company, a specialized over dimensional hauler and an oilfield service carrier. When we add in our LCV's, tankers, bulkers, flat decks, school bus fleets and tractor services members, we have a well-rounded group of safety conscious fleets.
6. British Columbia agreed to grant Partners In Compliance members, utilizing transponders, a 95% inspection station bypass.
7. We were able to attend and observe officers at work during the Calgary and Edmonton Safety Inspection blitz's.
8. We had the privilege to meet and educate a multitude of carriers on the merits of safety on our roadways and will continue to work with many in their efforts to meet PIC criteria and benchmarks, moving towards membership.

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all our committee and council members who take time out of their busy schedules to volunteer on the same. Without your valuable knowledge, input, suggestions and expertise, we would not be the "Program of Excellence" that we are today.

We would also like to extend a thank you to our partners, inclusive of Alberta Transportation, Workers Compensation Board, and the AMTA.

A special thanks to the officers at the Inspection stations who work hard every day to educate and enforce the rules of our roadways in a continued effort to lessen collisions.

Last, but certainly not least, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the professional commercial drivers on our roadways who continue to exhibit patience, pride and professionalism while operating in adverse conditions.

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