Welcome

I'd like to call this meeting of the Arkansas Trucking Association's Maintenance and Technology Council to order at this time. This is your council and I encourage your involvement and hope everyone takes away some benefit for your time invested.

Housekeeping

- Point out emergency exits
- Informal Meeting format, feel free to use the facilities as needed and point out location
- Out of courtesy to others, please turn off or put on silent cell phones and pagers, if you need to make a call step out of the room
- We encourage participation, but please be recognized then stand and state your name.
- Robert's Rules of Order, as revised will govern Proceedings

Safety message

We always stress safety at these meetings as our companies do with the driving force but what do we do for the maintenance employees. Do we truly beat the drum so to speak when it comes to safety or are we a do as I say instead of do as I do. When we create a safe environment where everyone from management down to the janitor are working watching out for each others safety then we have created a safe work environment. Items like removing keys so someone can't move a truck while a tech is working on it or cleaning up a spill of oil, water or grease are a few examples. This type of thinking should be applied in our own homes and shops as well. By creating a safe work environment it can help reduce accidents, possible worker comp claims and create an environment that others will want to work in.

Introductions

First we would like to Thank Carlos Green from SCS Frigette, Kevin Sapp from Webasto, Bill Dawson from Thermo King, and Bret Renhardt of Sun Power Systems. For their presentations on auxiliary power units and the heating and AC units associated with them.

Our presenters today are; Skip Martens, Mike Colaccino, Keith Rhodes and Bryan Boyd from Hendrickson will be discussing trailer suspensions and tire inflation systems and their benefits.

Now I would like for us to do self-introductions,

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting dated

The minutes where published on the web site after our last meeting in Springdale. May we have a motion to approve those minutes? Is there a second?

Reports of Standing Committees

Brent Hilton will give us an update on TMC at this time. Brent Hilton reported:

The Technology & Maintenance Council (TMC) invites you to the 2007 Fall Meeting, Sept.24-27, at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel and Convention Center in Nashville, Tenn. In addition to a strong slate of educational sessions for equipment professionals, TMC's Fall Meeting includes a host of added features not ordinarily included in our traditional schedule.

The theme of TMC's 2007 Fall Meeting-**Exploring Advanced Technology**-centers around future technologies that manufacturers expect to appear on equipment in model year 2010 and beyond. Many of the educational sessions will address this topic and an advanced technology display will be offered.

In addition, TMC is holding North America's third annual **National Technician Skills Competition** September 24-26. The event-call **TMCSuperTech2007**-will feature professional commercial vehicle technicians competing for top honors and valuable prizes as they demonstrate their diagnostic abilities through a series of 10 skills stations organized by TMC's Professional Technician Development Committee (PTDC). TMCSuperTech2007 will start Monday afternoon and conclude Tuesday evening. Spectators are more than welcome during the hands-on skills portion of the contest, so stop by and see what TMCSuperTech2007 is all about.

In conjunction with TMCSuperTech2007, the Council is offering the **PTDC Technician Training Fair**. The Fair will offer hands-on training

sessions in areas such as cooling system maintenance; trailer bushing maintenance; tire inspection and inflation maintenance, basic electronics, computer service tools, and much more. These sessions are being organized by TMC's PTDC, which has been launched to increase technician training opportunities and involvement within the Council. The fair will be held Wednesday, Sept. 26.

For details, meeting brochure and registration form visit TMC's website (tmc.truckline.com). On behalf of TMC's Board of Directors, I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity and join us at TMC's 2007 Fall Meeting. We look forward to seeing you in Nashville.

Reports of Special Committees

Wrecker Towing Committee: Brent Hilton who is a member of the committee reported that there is a meeting with the State Police scheduled for July 20th.

Membership Committee: The membership committee has nothing new to report.

Career Day: The career Day committee has nothing new to report. 2007 Technician Skills competition update: Carl Desens reported: The Competition was held 2 weeks ago, here are the results of that competition.

Tire Technician Competition

Tire Technician 3Rd-David Owens-Ozarko Tire Tire Technician Runner Up-Rodney Evans-Transco Lines, Inc. Tire Technician Winner-John Browning-Cal-Ark Intl.

Trailer Technician Competition

Air Systems & Brakes Electrical

1st Jimmy Thacker-McKee Foods 1st Robert Brister-J.B. Hunt

PMI Suspension

1st Robert Brister-J.B. Hunt 1st Chris Smith-Cal-Ark

Trailer Technician Runner UP- Chris Smith-Cal-Ark Trailer Technician Winner-Robert Brister-J. B. Hunt

Technician Championship Winners by Class

Air Conditioning/Refrigeration

3rd Eric Rusk-McKee Foods 2nd Brian Watkins-Barloworld 1st Tyson Sontag-McKee Foods

Engines & Associated

3rd Tyson Sontag-McKee Foods 2nd Thomas Pianalto-Diamond Intl 1st Brian Watkins-Barloworld

Electrical

3rd Phillip Robbins-MHC Kenworth 2nd Thomas Pianalto-Diamond Intl 1st Eric Rusk-McKee Foods

Steering & Suspension

3rd Tyson Sontag-McKee Foods 2nd Bob Davis-Diamond Intl 1st Allen Swayze-J.B. Hunt

Service Information

3rd Bill Bennett-McKee Foods 2nd Robert Jones-Willis Shaw Express 1st Bobby Herndon-Barloworld

Air Systems & Brakes

3rd Thomas Pianalto-Diamond Intl. 2nd Phillip Robbins-MHC Kenworth 1st James Abshere-MHC Kenworth

Drive Train

3rd Cal Dee Parmain-J.B. Hunt 2nd Phillip Robbins-MHC Kenworth 1st Bobby Herndon-Barloworld

PMI

3rd Jerome Wheeler-J.B. Hunt 2nd Eric Rusk-McKee Foods 1st Tyson Sontag-McKee Foods

Tires

3rd Kenny Shaw-Wal-mart 2nd Tyson Sontag-McKee Foods 1st Eric Rusk-McKee Foods

Grand Champion Runner Up-Thomas Pianalto-Diamond Intl Grand Champion-Eric Rusk-McKee Foods

Chairman's discussion

IF there is anyone that is interested in becoming a presenter at future meetings please see Sarah Sheets or me.

New Business/Old Business

Is there any other new business from the audience at this time?

If not, I would like to ask for a motion to adjourn the business meeting at this time, is there a second? All those in favor say aye? Motion Passed, let's eat lunch...

Thank Presenter

We want to thank Skip Martens, Mike Colaccino, Keith Rhodes and Bryan Boyd from Hendrickson. For taking the time to come and present us with information relating to trailer suspension and tire inflation systems and their benefits.

Dismissal