

MCAB Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 21, 2019
1917 Conference Room, MSP Division Headquarters
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Members Present

Paul Behmlander
Al DeMeestor
Robert Esler
Nichole Gavriloski
Carol Heinowski
Brian Hitchcock
Bill Kotynski
Don Lahrning
Glen Merkel
Michael Rushing
Joshua Rhodes
Randy Whitaker
James Burg

MSP-CVED Staff Present

Capt. Michael Krumm
Insp. Brad Cushman
Sgt. Jack Johnson
Ms. Robbin Sims
Sgt. Kevin Hogan
Ms. Amanda Layman

Members Absent

Sarah Stewart
Joe Ballor

Others in Attendance

Charles Culton
Mickey Blashfield
Arne Frobom
John Holder
Seth Martin
Scott Sprey
Dawn VanAken
Roger Hayes
John Wallace
Toby Archambault
Jane Butler

Welcome

The MCAB meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Capt. Michael Krumm.

Agenda and Meeting Minutes

- The agenda and meeting minutes for the September 19, 2019, meeting was approved.

MSP/CVED Personnel Updates

- Promotion of Insp. Brad Cushman.
- Recognition of John Holder's retirement, Oct. 31, 2019, and was given MSP/CVED accoutrements.

Agency Reports

Secretary of State-Dawn VanAken:

- Proposed the idea of digital plates and asked the board what their questions or concerns would be.
- Data would belong to the carrier not the State of Michigan.
- Concerned about the placement of the plate.
- Question-Is the information just a display or a data transmission.
- When not in use, the carrier would possibly have the ability to display a message.
- The expense of the plate is a concern.

Treasury-Seth Martin:

- In the middle of renewal license season which began November 1, 2019.
- 26% have renewed for FY2020.
- Decals can be added as of November 1, 2019 and leaving last year's decal on is recommended.

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MDOT-Aarne Frobom:

- Nothing new to report.
- Question was asked regarding the study for toll roads.
- The study of the Feasibility of Conversion of Michigan Freeways/Toll Roads-no action has been taken.
- Concern was raised regarding ice control.
- Suggestions of how we can become pro-active for ice control.
 - Applying brine early.
 - Organics are being considered for application to the roads.
 - ✓ The residual of organics lasts longer.
 - ✓ The solution is pre-wet and stops compaction.
 - ✓ House Bill 4716 and Senate Bill 379 is being proposed to put the organics mandate into the state.
 - Possibility of shutting roads down due to undrivable road conditions.

FMCSA-John Wallace:

- The Under 21 Military CDL Pilot Program or the Even Exchange Program, a three-year pilot program, is being conducted to assess the safety impacts of allowing qualified military drivers younger than 21 to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.
- Military personnel have received 200 hours of specialized training.
- The FMCSA is trying to issue those qualified a CDL licenses at no cost. A plan has been put in place with Michigan Veterans' Affairs and Michigan Works.
- There is a need for motor carriers to help hire and support these drivers.
- Those that qualify are in the reserves and still have a commitment to the military for active duty.
- In September 2020, FMCSA will be deciding whether to go through with the IRT.
- The AOB RD grandfather provision, Automatic Onboard Recording Device, can be used up to December 16, 2019.
- After December 16, 2019, that exception will expire.
- Everyone must have an ELD after December 16, 2019.
- No soft enforcement will be given.
- Entry Level Driver Training rule-taken under advisement and could be delayed.

CVED Update-Captain Krumm:

- Will be attending the Quad State Meeting in Indiana, December 3, 2019, and meeting with the new captain of Ohio, Capt. Ray Martin.
- Will be discussing initiatives for the next year.
- December 9-13 will be the Eyes on 94 initiative for Michigan. MSP/CVED officers will be working that stretch of freeway.
- MSP/CVED will be conducting human trafficking initiative with Truckers Against Trafficking in January of FY2020.
- Pre-Pass and Drivewyze systems are down at the New Buffalo Scale. The WIM has been taken down because of MDOT resurfacing the road. These systems will be down for about one year.
- Expect your drivers to be pulled into the scale.

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- In the process of getting Pre-Pass motion at the Fowlerville Scale and regular Pre-Pass at the Pontiac Scale.
- Captain Krumm's position on these two systems is fairness for all, and safety for our officers.
- The CVED will weigh all trucks, and the carrier will not receive a bypass if the truck does not go over a WIM.
- Ionia West Bound Scale is up and running. Construction on the new bypass should begin this spring.
- Automated Weigh Station Screening System at the New Buffalo-East Bound and Coldwater-North Bound locations are up and running.
- Explanation of the Tire Anomaly Detector. Will have a pilot program at the New Buffalo Scale in April.
- The TACs system can:
 - Read every single tire on eighteen wheelers.
 - Unlimited number of axels.
 - Can sense under inflation.
 - Tire imbalance and mismatches.
- Captain Krumm will make a formal presentation in the future.
- Construction will begin in the spring at the EB Fowlerville Scale.
- Effective December 13, 2019, there will be an increase of personnel at certain locations.
- **The 24th Motor Carrier Officer Recruit School Graduation is December 13, 2019, at 1 p.m. located at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, 219 South Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI. Everyone is invited to attend.**
- We now have new investigative software for compliance reviews and audits.
- Requires carrier to submit paperwork online.
- CVED has three new investigators and are up to full capacity.
- Skid pad update-proposals and concerns are still being worked out. The first meeting will be sometime in December and an update will be provided later in the future.

Center for Truck Safety-Charlie Culton:

- Just completed the fiscal year for the grant.
- The center has completed and exceeded all goals.
- The simulators are in high demand and are being used to capacity.
- Answering a high volume of phone calls.
- Provide free training.

Legislative Updates-MDOT-Aarne Frohom:

- About two dozen bills introduced to MDOT.
- County option fuel sur-tax.
 - Voters in each county can add a surtax to fuel purchased in the county.
 - Fuel taxation could vary county by county.

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New Business

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- January 16, 2020
- March 19, 2020

John Wallace/FMCSA gave a presentation, on the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse, specifically on the carrier's responsibilities.

The PowerPoint presentation will be sent along with the minutes.