



## **SUNFLOWER SAFETY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

July 13, 2016

Hosted by APAC Kansas City

Meeting was called to order by Jim Barta, President at 1:10 pm. Twenty two members were present. Individual introductions were made to the group.

### **TREASURERS REPORT:**

There is a total of \$3996.65 in the account.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None really discussed

### **SAFETY TOPIC:**

“Rigging” by Jim Mehan of American Riggers

- They build slings in KC (all kinds)
- No homemade lifting devices. They should be certified by a company.
- 80 grade or more to lift (alloy chains)
- A hole in the hook means a safety latch is needed.
- Should have a rigging plan
- Slings with wear pads are a great idea.
- Have to have a legible tag on slings to be legal to use, except synthetic slings
- Phone in hand while handling a load is a \$10,000 OSHA fine.
- Chain sling inspections shall be documented.
- Any broken stitch means the sling is bad.

“Titan Monitoring” by John Hill

- Site monitoring
- Verizon and batteries
- \$84/month fee for the whole kit

“MSHA Update” by Leon Muller, EFSMS

- Proposed changes to workplace exams: conduct before shift begins and note any adverse conditions and repairs on the workplace exam.

- Competent person has to have task training to do workplace exams
- DPM's are found to cause lung cancer. MSHA is looking into it. Our efforts may be helping.
- MSHA is looking at task training for contractors on site.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Update on the 100<sup>th</sup> year Holmes anniversary
- Sunflower group won an award for 644,799 work hours without a lost time injury
- Discussed the September fundraiser: the room is reserved, there will be tour tickets available, Hutchinson Salt is paying for the meal (free will donations will be excepted), raffle prizes are needed.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.