The Railroad Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (the “Council”), pursuant to notice, held a meeting on November 1-3, 2016 in Charleston, SC.

The meeting was called to order at 8am, on November 2nd, 2016, by Chairman Sahling-Zart

The following members were present: Chairman Shelley Sahling-Zart, Lincoln Electric System; Vice Chairman John McCreavy, SMS Rail Services, Inc.; Treasurer/Secretary: Howard Kaplan, U.S. Magnesium, LLC; Nathan Asplund, Red River Valley & Western; Robin Burns, Occidental Chemical Corp.; Robert Byrd, Nucor; Michael Christensen, Port of Long Beach; John Friedman, Norfolk Southern Corporation; Tom Giovinazzi, Holcim (US), Inc.; Lawrence Malski, Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority; Mike Mohan, Canadian National Railway Company; Michael Peters, Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Services, Inc.; Jeanne Sebring, International Paper; Tom Williams, BNSF.

Chairman Daniel Elliott, Surface Transportation Board; Vice Chair Deb Miller, Surface Transportation board; Ann D. Begeman, Surface Transportation Board; Scott Greene, Federal Railroad Administration

Also present: STB staff members Brian O’Boyle, James Boles, Katherine Bourdon.

Not present: Wayne Hurst, Agricultural Producer; Mike Mohan, Canadian National Railway Company;

Summary:

Meetings were held during visits to International Paper and Nucor Steel Plant visits.

Previous minutes were approved with minor name corrections.

New officers were elected:
  John McCreavy-Chairman
  Mike Christenson-Vice Chair
  Nate Asplund-Secretary/Treasurer.

Financial report given; recommended dues increases for next year-$900 for large members, $500 for small members.

Field Reports were given.

Tours were extensive and well appreciated by all.

Next meeting January 31st in DC at 1pm.

Adjourned approximately 4pm November 3rd.