0830 – Call to Order

0835 – Safety Brief from Hotel Staff

0840 – Head count confirmed 27 attendees for Fall Meeting.

- 0845 – AREMA update
- Annual Conference was held in Indianapolis, IN with Kevin Casey representing Committee 28. Attendees recommended to attend the Annual conference.
- AREMA Board of Governors has elected Mr. John West Vice President of Engineering with CSX railroad to join the board.
- The 2014 Annual conference will be held at Hilton Chicago, and will be held September 28th to October 1st.
- CN – has committed a 50K endowment to the AREMA education foundation. The endowment will fund the CN scholarship. CN is the 4th Class 1 RR to support foundation.
- Currently there are 14 AREMA College Student chapters.

900 – Additions/Revisions to the glossary – Mike Scott

See attached glossary change proposal.

Mike Scott presented changes to the glossary as they pertain to Buffer cars, Idler cars for open discussions with Committee 28. Discussions were had to determine the pertinent differences between buffers and idlers and review for submittal.

New Additions to the Glossary

Spacer Car – Any Railcar used for the purpose of providing space between any other cars. Also see Buffer and idler

- The Committee 28 discussions led to spacer car and buffer car definitions to be similar and added their definitions to each other for updates to the glossary.
- Mike Scott to add updated changes to the ballot and submits for approval.

- Crash Wall – A wall or similar structure used for the purpose of protecting a structure.

- Committee 28 discussed and approved the addition of Crash wall to be added into the glossary. Mike Scott to add this to the ballot.

Proposal to make amendments to the glossary per below.

- Mid-Ordinate offset to include formula. See attached document for Mid Ordinate offset.
• End Swing Offset to include formula. See attached document for End Swing offset.

• Committee 28 discussed whether to add the formula to the glossary. Discussions led to consensus that we should leave formulas out of the glossary at this time. Further investigation and research will need to be completed prior to adding to the glossary.

Mike Scott will prepare the ballots for Committee 28 approvals.

Break - 0905-0920

0925 – Railroad Bridge Presentation - Mr. Hoat Le Canadian National Railway.

Mr. Le presented to Committee 28 Engineering point of view for clearing dimensional loads. Explanations of bridge types, span types and how Cooper Ratings affect clearance of heavy loads.

1025 – Bridge presentation complete. Please see attached presentation to meeting notes.

1025-1030 – Q&A and open discussions.

1030-1040 – Break

1040 – Subcommittee D-13-12 Plate L

• Group discussions were had and Plate L proposals. Each RR has reviewed the newly revised plate L, and some adjustments to locomotive layouts to meet Railroad guidelines.
• Next steps – Put out recommendation to AAR to adopt Plate M as maximums. KCS is only class one that needs to review their antenna farms as they are outside Plate M and could affect coal dumps on numerous railroads.
• Certain RR’s have modified coal dumps to reduce maximums into Plate M maximums as these are absolute maximums. Additional review and
• AAR Task force lined up to discuss the next step on Plate L. Task force conversation would then lead to a draft proposal to Amend Plate L to an amended Plate M.
• Instillation of Antenna farms must be centered on all locomotives.
• Additional follow up to be had prior to Spring Meeting.

1110 – Complete conversations on Plate L. See Notes from Mr. Dan Koch

1105 – Dan Labyak presents CSX National Gateway project.

Please see attached presentation.

1115 – Subcommittee C-12-12 - Buffer Cars Committee update

• Below is what we plan to accomplish for the buffer committee and discussed in Spring Meeting.

  ➢ Establish point of contact with each R/R
  ➢ Strict adherence to governing guidelines regarding rates
  ➢ Maintain open communication regarding all recommendations

• Brief review of cooper ratings of bridges and how they affect buffer car requirements.
• Joint waybilling buffer cars on through routes, this will assist not having the car switched out at interchange to second railroad.
• Continued conversations to be had on how Buffer cars should be handled between two railroads.

1140 – Conclude Subcommittee C-12-12

1145 – Subcommittee D-14-12 3rd rail clearances
  • Nothing new to report on subcommittee D-14-12.

1150 – Subcommittee D-13-09 EDI 470
  • UP and BNSF are currently in the process of working on building a data base for EDI 470. Nothing additional to report for this subcommittee.

1210 – Motion to Adjourn

1211 – Motion approved and fall meeting adjourned.