

# Pennsylvania Precast Association

Membership Meeting

November 1, 2017

## Welcome

*Self-Introductions and Anti-Trust Reminder*

*Minutes were approved from September 6, 2017 meeting*

## PENNDOT Topics

- Joe Robinson, the new Chief Materials Engineer at PennDOT introduced himself to the group.
- He shared his contact information for anyone who might want to reach him. Phone 717-705-3841 and email [josrobinso@pa.gov](mailto:josrobinso@pa.gov)
- The PA Steel Procurement Act is being reviewed by APC. PPA will check their progress
- Comments were submitted for the latest Clearance Transmittal. More revisions to Pub 145 will be forthcoming in December.
- There was some discussion regarding the reasoning behind the comments to the CT. The 72 hour limit for application of gasket material was reviewed.
- PT ducts- no tolerances in spec. The rebar pass through will still be used as acceptable method. Design standards still not approved.
- PennDOT is still reviewing the segmental rigid frame standards.
- Fabrication and erection tolerances are still being discussed.
- Currently there are no standards for rigid frames.
- PennDOT plans to include tighter tolerances on bedding for precast box culverts.
- 100% dry fitting at the plant should not be required. Should manufacturer's rep be required to be on site for installation of box culverts? If there is a site condition it should be reported.
- It was noted that the PennDOT force jobs typically have the best culvert bases. They use fines that are laid down on top and raked to accommodate culvert.
- PennDOT will be issuing letter requesting a plan from precast plants as to how they will handle silica sand control. Each plant/location should have an exposure limit plan. Future discussion as to whether SDS sheets will be required with certs at delivery.
- ASR Mitigation- Step 2 is out for review. Precasters should review their mix designs. Forward any questions to PennDOT.

## Associate Spotlight

Steve Freysz from Summers Trucking gave a presentation on the Electronic Log mandate that goes into effect in December. See attached for more information.

## Associate Spotlight for 2018:

If you would like to be added to the list of future presenters, please contact MS.

## Action Items up from September 2017 meeting

- OSHA Crane Certifications – deadline has been postponed until 11/17/18.

## Governance

2018 PPA Slate of officers were voted in unanimously

- Past President= Tom Dixon, Dixon Precast
- President = Todd Monahan, Airmatic, Inc.
- Vice-President = Nadine Crapo, Faddis Concrete Products

- Secretary= Rick Amlin, Delta Engineers
- Incoming Treasurer= Scott Nemcek ,Mack Industries

#### Other Items for discussion

- Bearing pads – the spec is written to mark and test all reinforced bearing pads. Should this include ALL bearing pads – noise walls use bearing pads only for install. It was suggested to change the threshold for this spec.
- Discussion regarding temporary barrier inspection. PennDOT allows barrier from other states (not inspected) to be used on PA projects. Why is PennDOT still inspecting temporary items? Can this be changed?

#### Membership and Marketing

- Welcome Deihl Vault and Precast as our newest member!
- PPA now has 19 producer members, 4 Professional Members, and 20 Associate Members.
- Please review your vendors and associates that are not involved. Send MS info of someone that may benefit from PPA membership.
- The 2018 dues invoices will be sent out shortly.

#### Executive Director Report

- MS requested images and product information for updated web site content and e-newsletter and project profiles. Please send project info and photos to [info@paprecast.org](mailto:info@paprecast.org).
- If you are not receiving the PPA electronic newsletter, please let MS know to be added to the mailing list.

#### Review of Recent Financials:

- PPA current bank balance (as of October 31, 2017)= \$ 26,773

#### Key Dates

Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2017 - NPCA Production & Quality School (PQS), Baltimore  
January 3, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA  
February 13-15, 2018 – MAQAW, Dover, DE  
February 21-24, 2018 – The Precast Show, Denver, CO  
February 21-22, 2018 – PA Concrete Conference, Harrisburg, PA  
March 7, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA  
May 2, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA  
September 5, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA  
November 7, 2018 – PPA Meeting, New Cumberland, PA