**Western Carolina Chapter Meeting March 2024**

Date: March 7th at 12 pm

Attendance List:

Donella Shelf

Conner McMinn

Curtis Daniels

Marcus Hoston

Adam Coffey

Greig Allen

Jason Land

Alysia Owen

Kim Owen

Rick Kilpatrick

Erika Sowers

Scott Hagar - (Host)

We had the honor of being hosted by the Kewaunee Scientific Corporation.

Background: Kewaunee started as a coffin making company in 1903. They moved to North Carolina in the 1950’s, and they were furniture manufacturer company. They are the only one that has wood, metal, and resin manufacturing all at the same site. They also have a distribution center in other as well buildings. They got the Cigna Healthy workforce foundation award. They have a health clinic with a nurse practitioner on site, and a workout center for available for their 600 team members.

As a safety and lean process they use a 5S Flag system at their departments to show the level of 5S success there. Red is entry level, Yellow med level, and good is good. They are continuing to work on safety with automation and laser cutting processes. The tour showed our team various machines and some safety processes that they have place.

Upcoming Meetings & Events: The Safety School is April 16th & the location is confirmed to be at the Shurtape Facility in Hickory, NC. We have 5 speakers presenting for our school. The Safety school can also be used for a portion of continuing credit through BCSP, if you have one of their credentials.

Training

We have an 8 hr. Hazwhopper training class coming up soon March 22nd. You will need to sign-up by March 15th.