

Nebraska Section ASME

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 26, 2004

Time: 7:30 am

Location: Garden Café – Rockbrook Village

In Attendance – Kevin Madsen, Susan Randall, Bill Redinger, Tom Rerucha, Art Sholl, Bruce Stanley, Ron Stohlmann, Dave Stransky

September Meeting - Redinger

Response for the Harley Davidson tour and baseball game has been good. A 47-passenger bus is reserved. 43 of the 47 people on the active list have paid. There are 8 people on the waiting list. Two of these want to drive themselves to KC. There are also 4 additional people from Lincoln who want to drive themselves and go on the tour only. Since deadline passed, Bill is to contact those on the waiting list to fill out the bus to 47.

PE Refresher Course – Stransky

The instructors have been lined up. There will be six sessions and six instructors. Classes will be held at HDR. The deadline for sign-up was 8/25. Only three people have signed up. One of these is from Grand Island, so probably only two people will be attending class. Bruce will send out an email reminder to also open up the course to folks looking for continuing education hours. Gifts for the instructors will be tickets to the Christmas play or gift certificates. Ron/Bruce will ask NSPE for \$100 to help with costs and gifts for the instructors.

Treasurer's Report – Stanley/Redinger

Next year's allocation is estimated to be \$3,000. Future Allocations are based on performance ('05-'06 is performance based – need 4+ general meetings). Last year's budget has been closed out. There is one outstanding check (#175 for \$100). The columns in the budget have been updated to closer correspond to the end of the year report.

Membership Report – Randall

482 current members; 3 new members have been signed up; 40.6% renewal rate. Earl V. Fisher Award discussed. Applications are due 9/17. The award is cash and is based on your programs. The form can be downloaded from the ASME website.

October Meeting (LES Combined Cycle) - Mundt

The meeting is scheduled for the 3rd week of October. Details will be forthcoming. Bruce will work with Jamie on plans.

Newsletter - Madsen

Content – PE refresher course reminder; Sept. meeting notes; Oct. meeting announcement; Nov. Professional Development course announcement.

Schedule – send out newsletter 9/28; deadline for info to Kevin by 9/20

Government Relations - Sholl

There are interim hearings taking place between now and December. There are no topics of concern for engineers.

Other Business

Distinguished Lecturer Program – Stanley – these are on a first come first serve basis.

Membership Awards – Stanley – will personally hand out and make an announcement.

Reporting the Section Activities – Stanley has this responsibility

Website – need to allow time for Greg Krieser to get information onto website.

November Professional Development course – The current topic was titled “Developing Teams”; A suggestion was made to change the topic to something more related to project management – that will be looked into; An instructor will come from the Nebraska Business Development Center (NBDC), a UNO affiliate; A room will be reserved at the lodge at Mahoney State Park; The current dates being looked at are Nov. 2 or 9; We will open the course up to NSPE and other societies; Estimated costs are \$1,500 for the instructor, \$120 for room, \$12 per person for lunch and refreshments; The planned price for the course is \$75; To help keep costs down, we will provide some assistance in the classroom, completion certificates, and reproduction of class materials; A motion was made and passed to move forward and book the room and instructor.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Oct 7, 6:00 p.m. at the Old Country Buffet.