



Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers

MEETING MINUTES

Subject: Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers (PSPE), Reading Chapter
Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Date: Thursday, October 9, 2008 – 7:30 A.M.

Place: McCarthy Engineering Associates

Attendees: Michael Hartman, PE
Tuan Duong, PE
Eric Mountz, PE
Jason Shaner, PE
Jim Cinelli, PE
Karl Peterson, PE
Jim McCarthy, PE

Approval of minutes:

- Minutes were not available. Eric stated that minutes for both September and October will be distributed at the November meeting.

Correspondence:

- Jim M. indicated that he has been receiving emails from the State regarding the society, however Michael has not been receiving the emails as well. Tuan questioned if the emails that are being received include updates on member status. Jim M. indicated that the he will contact the State in order to make sure that the emails are being directed to the appropriate Board members.

Reports:

- Past Presidents – Jim M. to follow-up with the state regarding email distribution to the appropriate Board members.
- State Director – No report, Position Vacant
- Secretary – No report
- Treasure – No report, Not present

Committees:

- Scholarship – No report
- Berks Chamber of Commerce – Karl attended a program on the gaming industry in Pennsylvania. He reported that the next program is at the Abe Lincoln Hotel and is about

memory systems. Information is available online at www.berkschamber.org. Karl said he was going to attend this program.

- Mathcounts – Jim M. reported that all of the arrangements have been finalized. He is going to check with Mark Stabolepszy on the date of the event. Jim M. also reported that a check for \$930 was received from a grant, but this would not cover all costs. An idea was raised to use part of the money from the golf outing for mathcounts. It was pointed out that the advertisements for the outing must note what the money raised is being used towards. As such we couldn't use money from the 2008 outing but could possibly do so in 2009. Jim M. noted that the money raised more than covers the scholarships. It was suggested that next year we could maybe split the money raised 50/50 between the scholarship and mathcounts.

Old Business:

- Web site – Scott A. Becker is in charge of the society's website. His email address is sab300@yahoo.com. All updates to the website should be sent to his attention. The current officers need to be updated on the site. Eric will contact Scott about updates.
- Drawing Board – Tuan said that he intends to have the next issue out in October. This will include information on the BFI tour. He also discussed adding pictures from events.

New Business:

- Meetings/Tours:
 - BFI Tour – Jason spoke with Karyn Fryberger regarding the tour. He reported they are available for the tour any time Tuesday-Thursday. It was decided that we would schedule the tour for October or November at the end of the day. It was suggested that after the tour we could have dinner at a local restaurant, maybe the Heritage, Emilys Pub or the Old Village Inn.
 - Safe Harbor - Jim C. discussed a potential tour of the Safe Harbor Hydroelectric Station on the Susquehanna River. It was discussed that we could try to set up a tour for May on a Tuesday-Thursday. It is about a 1-hour drive to the station from Reading.
 - Golf Outing – Jim M. reported that the golf outing is scheduled for June 25, 2009 from 12-5 P.M. at the Reading Country Club.
 - Joint Meetings – Michael indicated that the Carbon and Lehigh Chapters both contacted him about potential joint meetings. We would need to determine if there would be a good meeting place. It was suggested that Schuylkill County may be a good location. Tuan also stated that the King of Prussia Chapter is also always looking to have joint meetings.
 - Railroad Museum – Jim C. stated that the Reading Railroad Heritage Museum recently opened in Hamburg, PA and that we could maybe set-up a tour.
 - Continuing Education – Tuan stated that we could possibly have a meeting at which a speaker provided an update on the continuing education process for engineering licensure. He indicated this could even be a joint meeting.

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- River Place – Jason stated that the Chapter attended a presentation on the River Place development a few years ago. He suggested that we could contact them about another presentation regarding the current status of the project. Eric indicated that he is currently working with many of these people and could see if they would be interested in another presentation.
- State Director – Jim M. indicated that the State has been contacting him about our Chapter not having a State Director. He said this position involves attending three meetings that are all held on Saturdays. The person who holds this position must be someone from the Board of Directors.
- The next Board of Directors meeting will be on November 13, 2008 at 7:30 A.M. at McCarthy Engineering Associates.