

ASME MOBILE-GULF COAST SECTION

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2003 - CHILIS RESTAURANT - MOBILE

Attendees: JUDY ANDERSON, AARON ANDRY, MARSHAL BUCKLEY, JIM CARMINATI, DR LANIER CAULEY, BOB COOPER, JACK EHLENBERG, DEREK FREEMAN, LARRY KILGORE, KEITH LAFLEUR, RAY MILLER, ADAM WHITTAKER

Call to order: Keith Lafleur called the meeting to order and thanked all for attending.

General Discussion:

1. We will plan to utilize the USA bus for the October meeting plant trip to Chevron. Dr. Cauley will see if the bus is available and reserve it if it is available.

2. Ray will send postcards to Marshal Buckley for distribution to student section members.

3. There was discussion regarding the September 23 meeting. It will be a joint meeting with AiChE at the Terrace Room at USA campus. ASME will be the host of the meeting and K. Lafleur will introduce our speaker. Menu selection was discussed. (After the meeting, Ray had further discussions with Harry Surline. Ray will express selections made by ASME, but there may be more options depending on the size of the group.) Harry Surline and Ray Miller will coordinate reservations for both groups.

4. The PDH sessions will be held at the Mobile Gas auditorium on December 12th. The first session will be on desiccant dehumidification, indoor air quality, and technical and legal aspects of the issue. Two options discussed for the second session were cogeneration and desalination plants.

5. The distinguished lecturer selection was discussed. The two choices were the “SR 71 Blackbird – An Engineering Marvel” and “Propulsion for Personal Private Transportation (Fuel Cell and Hybrid Vehicles)”. The second option is in its last year and can also present to the student section if he comes into town. This was the primary reason to select it as our first choice. Keith will notify the speakers accordingly and see if we can reserve the SR71 speaker for 2005 if possible.

6. For our joint meeting with ASHRAE in Feb, Burt Dicht is seeking a speaker on offshore engineering. A backup option may be a speaker from Austal.

7. The RAC/RSC committee has met once and has a session planned for Oct. 4. Jim will speak at the September meeting and ask for additional volunteers on the RAC committee. We are looking for large support from industry and the community. This will be a big undertaking.

8. The End-of-the-Year party was discussed. We need Joe to look at available dates for the Fairhope Yacht Club. Lanier will look at the school schedule and see what dates might be most attractive to students.

9. Jack mentioned that for some companies the name of the golf tournament can be important. We should refer to it as the “ASME Annual Golf Tournament” and avoid use of the term “fundraiser”.

10. ASME student scholarships were discussed. It was decided that Charles and Kathryn should further discuss this topic.

11. Aaron reported our balance as approximately \$7450.

12. We need to fill the Honors & Awards and Practices & Ethics committee chair positions on the executive board.

13. There was a suggestion that ASHRAE include ethics in their topic for the November meeting. Keith Lafleur will contact either Stuart Nobles at Batchelor’s or Kevin Orchard at Performance Insulation to relay the suggestion.

Next Meeting of the Executive Board: The next Executive Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14, 2003 at 6:00 pm at *JR’s Barbecue restaurant*. Keith will contact them to arrange a meeting room.

***** NOTE NEW LOCATION *****

Adjournment: Parting comments were suggestions to wear ASME shirts to the first meeting, have name tags at the first meeting, and make sure we welcome all new members.