

# Nebraska Section ASME

## Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date: November 9, 2004**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

**Location: Apple Creek Apartment Clubhouse – near 144<sup>th</sup> and Center Street**

In Attendance: Chad Ballain, Jamie Mundt, Frank Pruitt, Susan Randall, Bill Redinger, Tom Rerucha, Bruce Stanley, Ronald Stohlmann, Dave Stransky, Art Sholl.

Dinner included two types of chili, green bean soup, corn bread, and fresh apple pie. No one went away hungry.

### October Meeting Recap - Mundt

The tour was held at Molex, a manufacturer of electrical connectors. The facility is very automated and includes molding, stamping, and assembly areas. We broke up onto 4 groups for the tour. The tour was excellent. 37 people signed up for the tour, 21 people actually showed up – 11 members and 10 students. 19 people stayed for dinner at Valentino's – 10 members and 9 students. We were a little shy of the 25 people minimum for the room at Valentino's. There was a net \$29 loss for the evening. This was a good meeting that offered the opportunity for interaction with the students. Jamie will send a thank you letter to Molex.

### Treasurer's Report – Redinger

\$29 loss from the October meeting. A check for \$100 will be given to the ACEC lobbyist group.

### Membership Report – Randall

As of 10/31, 5 new members, 480 current members. Membership applications will be printed up and made available at the November PD course.

### Government Relations / PEC Coordination – Sholl

There is meeting on 11/15 regarding legislative issues that Bill Redinger and Art Sholl will attend.

### November Professional Development Course 11/19 (Successful Project Management)

#### Update - Rerucha

Arrangements have been made for the PD course. 58 people have signed up. Bill Redinger will arrange to make copies of course materials – 65 copies. A suggestion was made that there should have been a reduced price for ASME members. This is a good point to keep in mind on future PD courses.

Chad Ballain provided some info on the planned spring PD course. The course will be held in March. The topic will be on non-destructive testing (NDE), welding, and joining. Location – TBD.

### December Holiday Meeting (Mahoney) Plans - Madsen

Kevin sent in his report. This year's play is titled, "Two Stories of Christmas" and runs from Nov. 26 to Dec. 30. Friday, Dec. 10 is the suggested date (However, subsequently was changed to Dec. 11). The schedule would be to meet at 5:30 for dinner, seating at 7:00 for the play, with the play beginning at 7:30. The cost from the theater is \$16 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. The suggested price to members is \$20 for adults and \$12 for children 12 and under. The deadline for signing up will be Dec. 1. Last year 40 tickets were reserved. Recommendation was to purchase 40 tickets for this year.

January Tour/Meeting (Bunge in Council Bluffs) Plans - Stransky

Our Bunge contact no longer works at Bunge. The alternate tour choice is First National Tower. Bruce Stanley has some contact names for Dave Stransky.

Newsletter - Madsen

Information to Kevin – Tuesday, 11/16

Issue newsletter – Tuesday, 11/23

Brian Erbstoesser Message to lead off – “Continuity and Change”

Other Business

Dordt College Engineering Banquet – November 12<sup>th</sup> – Pete Bradley from UE is planning on attending.

ASME Subsection and Groups – Stanley indicated that these types of entities have the purpose of growing into their own section within a few years. Therefore we do not want to pursue this.

Advertising Positions with ASME: The regional office does not have a position, and the Nebraska Section will not offer this type of solicitation, especially for positions in locations outside our territory.

Industry Award to local company: Bruce Stanley will review who has the most employees within the section and send an email to the executive board members. Companies considered include: Kawasaki, Cargil and MUD. Past winners include: APA, Inc in 96-97; Omaha Works in 98-99; Brownie Manufacturing in 99-00; OPPD in 00-01; National Crane in 01-02; Utility Engineering in 02-03; and HDR Engineering in 03-04.

Gifts to PE Refresher Course Instructors shall consist of either A) \$20 gift Certificate and free tickets to the ASME Christmas Party, or B) \$40 gift Certificate.

Irv Woodard, formerly of SCC-Milford, will teach the March Professional Development Course – Possibly at SAC Museum.

Next Meeting:

January 6, 2005, 7:30 AM at Rockbrook Garden Café