

Nebraska Section ASME

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: October 7, 2005

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Rockbrook Garden Cafe

In Attendance

Mark Loscutoff, Kevin Madsen, Susan Randall, Bill Redinger, Tom Rerucha, Dave Stransky

Treasurer's Report

Section appropriations were cut even more than the previous estimate. Total appropriation was \$1,970. The 2005 appropriations were \$3,164 and a zero appropriation is expected for 2007. The appropriations were \$280 short of the estimated reduced amount. ASME does not have in place a method for assessing a separate section dues at this time. It was suggested that the section should be polled to help determine how many companies pay membership dues, and what the section members would feel is the best way to maintain the section financially.

Membership Report

Jovita Frederick was notified that ASME should send the MDC membership reports to Mark Loscutoff. At this time, the reports have not yet been received. Mark Loscutoff will continue to pursue this matter to ensure that these reports are provided to the section.

Membership Campaign

The membership chair will consider the scope of this year's membership campaign and strategies to compete for the Earl V. Fischer award, and give an outline of the campaign or strategy at the next exec. Council meeting.

RSLs

Three students and the student section adviser attended the Student Leadership Training Seminar held at the University of Iowa on September 23 & 24. The Nebraska Section will reimburse the students \$200 total as was previously agreed. It was mentioned that the national ASME organization did not provide significant event support for this event as they have in the past.

P.E. Review Courses

October 12 will be the last review class. Attendance has remained high with typically 14 or more attendees at each session. The section will keep instructor thank you gifts the same as last year with choice of \$20 gift certificate plus tickets to the ASME Christmas Play at Mahoney Park, or a \$40 gift certificate.

Feedback forms and ASME applications will be handed out again at the last PE Refresher Course. In addition to this, attendees will be contacted to encourage them to consider joining ASME and / or running for a position on the Nebraska Section Executive Committee.

September Meeting Recap

The September meeting recap was printed in the September newsletter. Twenty two members and guests attended the event.

October Meeting

Nine members are signed up for the afternoon tour of American Tool. Kevin will send out a reminder notice for the tour. The reminder notice will also encourage members who are looking for a ride from the Omaha area to contact Kevin or Bill.

November Professional Development Course

Tom Rerucha handed out a draft of the professional development course announcement. Three speakers have been arranged. Topics will include fan fundamentals, fan types, applications, sizing and selection, troubleshooting, and predictive maintenance. The prices were set at \$70 for members and \$85 for non-members. Tom will update the flyer and include information about the instructors. Kevin will send out the flyer as a special announcement to ASME members early the week of 10/10.

Recognition and Awards

Tom Rerucha has sent congratulations to 25 and 50 year members and invited them to attend any upcoming Nebraska Section activity as an honored guest to be recognized.

Government Relations Board

No new business to report.

Newsletter

Ten members have requested to continue to receive the Nebraska Section newsletter via US Mail. The reduced mailing list will go into effect for the next newsletter.

The October section newsletter will be issued on 10/15 so that it can include a recap of the October tour, and the PD course announcement.

Other Business

Susan Randall has requested a contact name from the Sioux Valley section. She would like to involve a member from that area in a remote board capacity.

Next Meeting

The next Executive Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7. The meeting will be at 6:00 pm at the Utility Engineering office. Bill Redinger will order pizza for the meeting.

Submitted by: Kevin Madsen