

## **Nebraska Section ASME Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date: June 6, 2006**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

**Place: Utility Engineering**

### In Attendance

Ballain, Hartline, Loscutoff, Madsen, Miller, Randall, Redinger, Rerucha, Ruhl, Stransky

### Committee Assignments

A list of the 2006-2007 committee assignments was handed out. Everyone indicated they were comfortable with their respective roles. Susan noted that she needed everyone's ASME membership numbers in order to submit the list to the national office.

### Membership Report

Mark provided an outline of possible membership recruitment activities for discussion. Key points focused on recruitment of new members, retention of existing members, and employer relations.

One near-term objective is to find an ASME member contact at major engineering employers in the area. These members would be asked, for example, to post fliers at their company regarding our section activities. This would make non-members aware of what's going on in the society and encourage them to join. Mark will download a list of potential company contacts from the membership database. We'll divide the list at the next meeting to start making calls.

Other items discussed included establishing a newsletter advertising rate, advertising activities between professional societies, and getting more employers to cover dues.

### NSPE Golf Outing

Nobody in attendance at the meeting went to the golf outing.

### Treasurer's Report

Main expenses over the past month were payments to SDSM&T and UNL student sections for participation in RSC. Bill presented the final budget for the 2005-2006 term. Two successful PD courses, in particular, improved the section's balance. A couple of account changes were made to simplify the section's finances and improve the rate on interest-bearing accounts. The money market savings account and Tier One CD were both closed out. These balances, plus some extra from the checking account, were used to open a new jump-up CD at First National. In addition, the checking account itself was changed to First National.

Bill also presented a proposed budget for the 2006-2007 term. The budget was accepted as is except for the following changes: increased both PD course revenue and expenses by \$400, increased program/events revenue by \$200, and decreased speaker/meeting expenses by \$200.

### 2006-2007 Preliminary Program Schedule

The proposed program schedule for next season was discussed. Following is the preliminary plan of events:

<b>Month</b>	<b>Coordinator(s)</b>	<b>Event</b>
Sept.	David Miller	Ethanol Speaker(s)
	David Stransky Randy Hartline	PE Refresher Course
Oct.	Randy Hartline	Valmont Tour
Nov.	Susan Randall Gary Ruhl	PD Course: Pumps
Dec.	Mark Loscutoff	Mahoney Christmas Play
Jan.	Bill Redinger	Kiewit Underground Presentation
Feb.	---	E-Week Banquet (student demonstrations?)
Mar.	Susan Randall Pat Vaughan	PD Course: Structural for Non-Struct. Engrs. or other topic to be determined
Apr.	Chad Ballain	Energy Systems Tour (downtown steam plant)
May	David Miller	UP Dedication
June	---	NSPE Golf Outing

Other possibilities noted:

- Joint meeting with ASCE on Dodge St. overpass
- General Motors, Kansas City trip
- Victory Motorcycles (Storm Lake, IA)
- Winnebago (Ft. Dodge, IA)
- Casinos (Council Bluffs, IA)
- Wells Blue Bunny (IA)
- Tractor Testing Lab (UNL)

### Outgoing Exec. Council Members

Thanks were extended to council members completing their last term on the council for all of their hard work.

### Next Meeting

Friday, August 25, 2006, 7:30 am, Garden Café in Rockbrook Village.