Society of Plastic Engineers, Inc.

Milwaukee Section

Minutes for the Milwaukee SPE Board of Directors meeting

Tuesday May 1, 2018 5:30 PM

Western Racquet Club Elm Grove, Wi

1. Call to order and welcome comments

Mr. Bennett

Matt congratulated the re-elected board members (Nehls, Krauthoefer, and Schermetzler)

2. Roll Call Mr. Krauthoefer

Present Voting Members: Krauthoefer, Butterbrodt, Hill, Menna, Bennett, Miller, Nehls, Schermetzler

Present non-voting: Vander Zanden, Ciezki

Excused voting: Manley

Excused non-voting: Doern, Kambouris

A quorum of the elected voting members was present at the start of the meeting at 5:35 and business was conducted.

3. Review of Minutes

Mr. Krauthoefer

Motion was made by Ms. Schermetzler and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2018 meeting. A voice vote to approve was unanimous. Minutes to be posted on the web site.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Butterbrodt

- a) The report presented by Mr. Butterbrodt is attached.
- b) There is no significant change in our financial position since the last meeting in March.
- c) Assets stand in excess of \$40,000.
- d) We received our fourth quarter rebate from SPE National of \$600.
- 5. Report from Councilor

Mr. Menna

- a) Antec starts on Monday. Either Renee or Todd will pick up our chapter rewards.
- b) SPE National has come out with a new web site and logos.

6. House report Ms. Nehls

a) Education night was cancelled due to weather causing WCTC to close. We refunded money to anyone that paid.

7. Membership Report

Mr. Manley

- a) Mr. Manley was absent
- b) Mr. Miller reported that he managed to get three former members to rejoin.
- 8. Program Report

Mr. Miller

- a) Our next event is scheduled on 5/17 at MGS.
- b) The annual golf outing is coming in July, we have been working to negotiate the price with the River Club. There was discussion on increasing hole sponsorship fees. The event continues to be dominated by Plenco and MGS that have provided up to 50% of the participants. Mr. Bennett encouraged us to take photos this year.
- 9. Webmaster Report

Mr. Bennett

- a) The new national logos have been adopted on our site.
- b) 335 accounts that had bounced e-mails have been removed.
- 10. Newsletter Ad Report

Mr. Hill

a) Mr. Hill reported no changes.

11. Newsletter Report

Ms. Schermetzler

a) NPE, the golf outing, education night, and the board elections will be detailed in the May 17th edition.

12. Education Report

Mr. Ciezki

- a) 30-35 people showed up despite the weather for education night and the cancellation. Total cost was \$1550 but \$750 of scholarships were not handed out. Bob Novack was recognized as Educator of the year as were the essay winners recognized.
- b) Mr. Ciezki has created a criterion for educator of the year. We will be opening up to potential candidates in the private sector including schools, charities, or plastic related programs. Ms. Nehls suggested that we ask Mr. Novack to come

and speak at a future event. Mr. Ciezki, Mr. Hill, and Ms. Nehls will head up the committee.

- c) We currently have no candidates for the Hall of Fame award. No criteria has been established. The committee that handles the educator of the year will deal with this award also. Any member has the ability to nominate.
- d) Our budgeted contribution to Platteville will not be made this year.

11. SPE Education Foundation Report

Mr. Hill

- a) Mr. Hill reported no change.
- b) The proceeds of the sale of threee truckloads of material will be going to the foundation. It is currently being stored by Mr. Doern.

12. Unfinished Business

a) Mr. Menna has sent to all the final by-laws. The board discussed the following:

For a non-budgeted, unplanned expense, the President has the authority to approve up to \$350. Anything over that would be sent to the executive committee for approval. If that vote were to end in a tie, the expense would be submitted to the entire board where the President generally would refrain from voting. The executive committee is comprised of the President, President elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Councilor, and Past president. The motion was submitted by Ms. Nehls and seconded by Ms. Schermetzler and was passed unanimously.

b) Mr. Bennett offered to serve one additional year as President. We are looking for a President elect. The following terms were set:

Secretary (one Year) Mr. Krauthoefer was renominated, submitted by Ms. Schermetzler, seconded by Mr. Hill and voted unanimously.

Treasurer (two years) Mr. Butterbrodt was renominated, submitted by Mr. Krauthoefer, seconded by Ms. Nehls and voted unanimously.

President Elect (one year) Mr. Menna was submitted by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Schermetzler and voted unanimously.

Councilor (three years) Mr. Bennett or Mr. Vander Zanden were suggested.

- c) The board then discussed on boarding of new members. To create a password protected website for this purpose would cost around \$250. Ms. Schermetzler will start a list of what would be needed to be placed there.
- d) A millennial committee has been formed and two meetings have been held. In addition to Ms. Schermetzler, there are four other outside people. Illinois has had several sports related events. There was discussion surrounding innovation and design as a topic but we would need to find the right facilitator.
- e) On June 6-7, we are participating in a Tech event (Plastics 101) with the Chicago chapter. Mr. Menna questioned the use of a speaker from California when there would be local talent available.

13. New business

- a) In September of 2019 there will be a thermoforming conference that will be held in Milwaukee with two days of seminars, a banquet, awards, and a plant tour.
- b) Mr. Menna noted that our chapter was started in 1945 so in the year 2020 we will be 75 years old. He suggested that the board consider what we could do with that opportunity.

14. Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Schermetzler. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.