



## The British Columbia Institute of Power Engineers Vancouver Branch February Meeting Minutes



Date: 2016/02/16

SW1, Room 1045,  
BCIT Burnaby Campus

Meeting Called to Order: 19:10

Chairperson: Eric Steinson

Minutes Recorded By: Jason Rako

### Members in Attendance (PEs, students, guests)

Eric Steinson, Tim Haaf, Art Smith, Paul Kwan, Dave Paulin, Barbara Farnsworth, David Ewanchook, Joseph Stadel  
Tyler Hodson, Braeden Schulte, Tommy Yoo, Jesiah deGouveia, Braeden Gore, Wendell Mortell, Tiffany Michael,  
Jamie McAllister, Nicholas Wong, Darrick Cheung

Agenda Item	Presented By	Actions / Outcomes	Motioned, Second, Carried
1.0 Introduction of New Members and Guests	Eric Steinson Jason Rako	No new guests to introduce.	
2.0 Open addition to, and approval of, today's agenda	Eric Steinson	No additions were requested to be made to the agenda.	
3.0 Circulation of the previous meeting minutes	Eric Steinson	Last Month's meetings were presented on the overhead screen. Meeting minutes are available at <a href="http://ipevancouver.ca">ipevancouver.ca</a> and will be e-mailed out by the E-mail Coordinator prior to meetings.	
4.0 Business arising from previous meeting minutes	Jason Rako	Reviewed our experience at the "Journey into Trades" event at Magee Secondary School. It was noted that a lot of girls were interested about power engineering.	
5.0 Approval of the previous meeting minutes	Eric Steinson	A call was made to approve the previous meeting minutes.	Motioned Second Carried

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6.0 Correspondence		<b>Inbound:</b>	Jansen Combustion and Boiler Technologies will be presenting a Biomass workshop in Seattle for two days in September 2016 - Dave Paulin.	
		<b>Outbound:</b>	Nothing outbound	
7.0 Area and Director's Reports	<b>BC Area Director's Report</b> (Dave Paulin)	The BC Area Director gave a detailed report. This included a status update of membership dues for the 2016 year.		
	<b>National President's Report</b>	No Report was tabled.		
	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> (Tim Haaf)	The treasurer gave a detailed breakdown of the Vancouver Branch's financial assets and investments. A motion was made to accept the report as given.		Motioned Second Carried
	<b>Executive Report</b>	No report was tabled at the meeting.		
8.0 Committee Reports	<b>Membership</b> (Art Smith)	Art Smith suggested an idea that students commit for two years at a discount rate. Jason Rako suggested to improve services for students instead of offering discounts. Joseph Stadel asked allowing members shadow operators at plants; Dave Paulin noted there may be liability issues.		
	<b>Legislation</b>	No Report		
	<b>BCIT Students</b>	BCIT Students report all is well. (Secretary's after-the-fact note: The 2016 BCIT Open House event is coming up. We should ask the students how they plan to defend the Power Engineering award for best technical display.)		
	<b>Education</b>	No Report		
9.0 New Business	Eric Steinson	- Dave Paulin: Buildex is coming up (build connections) - First aid course for students? (Trauma Tech? \$40 each?)		

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New Business Cont'd	Eric Steinson	- Collaboration Day was briefly mentioned. <b>4 - Invite the first student member from 1992 to come by and say what they are up to. Motioned.</b>	Motioned Second Carried
<b>10.0</b> Awards	Dave Paulin	Barbara Farnsworth was given an award for her services as past president. A photo was taken.	
<b>11.0</b> Presentation Power Engineering Survey Response	Eric Steinson	- BC Safety Authority conducted survey of Power Engineers - Why are power engineers not progressing to higher levels? 900 responses were received. - Responses were analyzed. (More Money seemed to strong answer for career advancement).	
<b>12.0</b> CSB Video on Gas Blowing	Eric Steinson	- Safety Investigation video about two gas explosions in the United States caused by purging lines with natural gas. - Follow up discussion on accidents and how to purge lines safely.	

<b>Meet Adjourned (Time: 21:10 )      Next Meeting: BCIT Burnaby, Room 1045 SW1 At 19:00</b>			
<b>President:</b>	Eric Steinson, PE	<b>Secretary:</b>	Jason Rako

<b>Additions and Notes After Meeting Adjournment</b>			
<b>13.0</b> Hal Peter's Passing	Dave Paulin Submitted via e-mail on February 18, 2016	Hal Peter's passing was announced this week and his memorial service is scheduled for February 20, 2016. Dave Paulin wrote the following brief dedication: "...a Power Engineering Instructor at BCIT for many years and began his membership in the IPE in 1994 and participated and held various positions in the branch and lastly was the treasurer of the Abbotsford Branch. Hal and his brother Mike also hosted the IPE summer family BBQ every year for a number of years out in the Abbotsford area. I have sent a sympathy card on behalf of the BCIPE." Dave Paulin PE	