

Regular Meeting September 25, 2006 B.C.I.T. Town Square Meeting Room 'D'

Attendance: Ron Jones; Olaf Vinje; Martin Vine; Caesar Banko; Leo Petersen; Cor Smit; David Rennie; Eric Steinson; Fred Wright; Robert Lee; Peter Rubben; Gordon Beriault; Doug Bramley; Garry White; Mario Dotto; Steve Clark; Dan Bradley; Randy Noel; Ben Szmuklerz; Dave Paulin; Tim Haaf; Denis Vrba; Ken Sunderman; George Anderson; Neil Coen; Doreen Coen; Johnson Wong; Barry Brown; Fred Golar; David Ewanchook; Art Smith.

Chairman: Eric Steinson **Secretary:** Ron Jones

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Ken Sunderman. Seconded by Dave Rennie. Approved.

2. Introduction of New Members and Guests:

- New Members from May 24 06 to Sept. 25 06:
- Regular: Cornelis Bastiaan Smit; Raju Dhavnkal; Peter Girn; Jeff Zipser; Kim Sungho
- Transfer from Calgary: David Gart
- **Student:** Robert Geoghegan; Robert Huang; Peter Dombi; David Cm Yang; Kai Tan; Mohammad Sidhu; Kevin Stark; Harpreet S. Johal; John Tanaka.

3. Circulation of previous Minutes.

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

Moved by Dave Paulin. Seconded Dave Rennie. Approved.

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Item #12. - The sentence, "A goal of the Province of British Columbia and Alberta endeavors is to create a Power Engineer "Certificate of Competency common to both provinces." The word common should be struck and replaced with the word equivalent.

6. Correspondence:

- A. The Nova Scotia Government revising their act. Jude Rankin requests BCIPE input. Eric will comment.
- B. Web Site has more advertisements.
- C. Ray Shupac from Calgary has been appointed National Membership Chairman.
- D. Lorne Shewfelt from Edmonton has sent congratulations to BCIPE for becoming the largest branch in Canada.

Moved by Dave Paulin. Seconded by Dave Ewanchook to accept correspondence. Accepted.

7. Reports

(i) Area Rep – Art Smith

Art gave members an update on the National AGM.

(ii) Treasurer's Report – Jack Dauphinais

Jack Dauphinais could not attend, but sent word that the bills are paid, accounts current.

(iii) Employment – Art Smith

There were 45 new job postings on the web site last week.

(iv) Legislation - Eric Steinson

Eric Steinson and Dave Paulin attended a BCSA meeting in Prince George and felt that the meeting was very worthwhile.

(v) Education – Garry White

- BCIT instructors have been to Syncrude, Fort McMurray to upgrade employers there.
- On-line tutorials have been set up for some companies.
- B.C. and Alberta governments have signed a trade mobility agreement. Issues such as firing time will be harmonized.
- BCIT implementing programs to follow Pan Global texts.

(vi) AGM – Fred Golar

Fred encouraged members to attend seminars, trade show and social functions.

(vii) Nominations

Nominations open for 2007 executive to be elected at our AGM in November.

8. Coffee Break

9. Plant Presentations – Eric Steinson

Eric showed an interesting video on recent upgrades to the control systems and emissions systems at the Burrard Plant.

10. Safety Talk – Doug Bramley

Doug spoke on a fatal accident where a worker was trapped in a furnace and had no backup equipment or procedures in place.

Also, substandard air compressors from offshore pose a safety risk to consumers as many have numerous deficiencies.

11. Moved by Olaf Vinje, seconded by Dave Paulin. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 27th, 2006.

Ron Jones PE BCIPE Secretary.