

British Columbia Institute of Power Engineers

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Vancouver Branch General Meeting

BCIT Town Square – Mtg Rm. "D" Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Chairman: Art Smith, PE Treasurer: Jack Dauphinais, PE Secretary: Ron Jones, PE

Attendance: Ron Jones; Clint Anderson; Don Anderson; Doug Bramley; Rebeka Lash; Mike Rushford; Jack Dauphinais; Lorenzo Urbano; D. Martin Vine; Isidro Misajon; Ruel De Jesus; George Anderson; Leo Petersen; Jim Moore; Patrick Joyce; Sean Tobin; Dave Paulin; Daryl Spenst; Mike Betts; Mihr Jambhekar; Brad Parsons; Randy Noel; Frank Cichon; Peter Rubben; Denis Vrba; Mahir Karamani; Chrinjiv Dulay; Sukhi Dhillon; Alan Tomilin; Alan Krawchuk; Gordon Beriault; Fred Golar; Art Smith; David Polman-Tuin.

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

1.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by Dave Paulin. Seconded by Frank Cichon. Carried.

2.0 Introduction of New Members

• Regular

F. Thomas Sloggett; Dino Aracki; Dzemal Duric; Keith Parry; Thomas A. Moore; William Arthur Edbrooke, Ji Wang.

• Student

Yong Liu; Mathew Lockhart; Chris Lockhart; Henry Chung; Sundeep Bhanot; Derek Morgenstern; Derek Lum.

3.0 Circulation of minutes of previous meeting of March 29, 2005.

4.0 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Moved by Fred Golar. Seconded by Dave Paulin. Carried.

5.0 Business arising from Minutes

BCIT students have arranged a field trip to Victoria Damage Control Center. The trip is scheduled for May 31st.

6.0 Official BCIPE Sponsor

Effective May 1st, 2005 IPAC Chemicals will be the BCIPE official sponsor. IPAC is a local water treatment company. Sponsorship will last for three years. Money is considered a donation since BCIPE cannot issue tax receipts.

7.0 Correspondence

Eric Steinson, President, BCIPE sent a letter to update members on the BC Safety Authority's Power Engineers, Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Refrigeration Technology Committee, of which he is a member.

The committee plans to form sub-committees to deal with different sections of the regulations.

8.0 Reports

Area Rep – Art Smith

Art gave a recap of the Special Calgary, Victoria & Vancouver meeting of April 30th, 2005. This was a **first** for Alberta & British Columbia meeting. The attendees were: **Calgary -** Ray Shupac,PE, Gary Codner,PE, **Victoria -** John Lauder,PE, **Vancouver -** Eric Steinson,PE, Douglas Bramley,PE, Ron Jones PE, Garry White,PE, Arthur Smith,PE, Wai-Chung Lam,PE, Peter Rubben,PE, Olaf Vinje,PE,

Discussion:

- How to make the meetings interesting, educational for all members
- Website and e mail
- The British Columbia Boiler Safety Authority
- Education for Power Engineers, present and future
- Advantage of tours
- Starting sub-branches to represent rural areas
- Alberta Steam Lines
- The National IPE and the Calgary business plan
- Due to the success of this meeting, it is planned to have a joint meeting in Alberta next year, which may include Edmonton and Red Deer.

Treasurer's Report – Jack Dauphinais

Bills paid; accounts current. Dave Paulin moved to accept treasurer's report. Seconded by George Anderson. Carried.

Employment – Art Smith

There are many job opportunities on the website. Recruitment agencies can now pay to place ads on the website. This is helping the website break even.

Ken Sunderman, coordinator of e mail and Eric Steinson, our webmaster are continually updating the membership.

Membership – Art Smith

Head office has sent us the highest per capita cheque we have ever received. The reason for the increase is the membership is growing.

Some members have not been receiving things from head office. They have just had an office manager change, which may account for some problems.

Members **please** update your change of: **e mail**, address and phone numbers. <u>asmith24@shaw.ca</u> or phone **604-524-2734**.

BCIT Curriculum Committee

The BCIT Curriculum Committee was discussed. Dave Paulin represents IUOE. Mike Pilling represents industry, at the present time the BCIPE does not have a representative on this committee.

Don Anderson mentioned that BCIT offers an Ozone Depleating Substance course and that it should be part of the Power Engineering curriculum.

Awards – Art Smith

The Awards Committee has met and nominations have been made for this year.

9.0 Coffee Break

10.0 Safety Officer Talk – Doug Bramley

Doug covered a furnace explosion in a low-pressure steam boiler. Many problems were discovered including a "jumper wire" on the fuel gas valve. Doug stressed the importance of maintenance and documentation of boiler installation.

11.0 Fred Golar – BCSA Chief Examiner

Fred reported on the examination results for the past year. Standardization of exams and experience with other jurisdictions was also discussed.

12.0 2006 AGM – Art Smith

Mike Pilling has stepped down from AGM Chairman's position due to family illness. Volunteers needed. Fred Golar stepped forward to accept this position. He will be assisted by his wife Patricia.

Other members volunteering to date:

Randy, Noel Bill, Pratt – Entertainment and Photos Dave, Paulin Ron, Jones and his wife Inez – Registration Jack, Dauphinais and his wife Eva – Treasurer Peter, Rubben

Many more volunteers are needed. Art advised that the date has been set and hotel has been arranged and the ladies agenda needs to be set. There will also be a trade show and a hospitality room at the hotel.

George Anderson said he still has a lot of material on his computer from the previous AGM hosted by Vancouver Branch.

13.0 Next Meeting

Monday, September 26th, 2005.

14.0 Adjournment

Ronald Jones, PE BCIPE Secretary