

British Columbia Institute of Power Engineers Vancouver Branch 6362 Thorne Avenue Burnaby, B.C. V3N 2V1



GENERAL MEETING

Trauma Tech Centre-110-2250 Boundary Rd., Burnaby, BC

Tuesday: January 18, 2011
Chairman: Peter Rubben, PE
Secretary: Randy Noel, PE

Treasurer: Dave Paulin, PE (Acting Treasurer)

The Chairman, Peter Rubben called the meeting to order at 1904 hrs.

Attendance: George Anderson, O. Tokmakou, Manny Nunes, Patrick Joyce, Ben Szmultlerz, Nartej Pannu, Bob Mcneil, Byron Yuan, Farshad Foroughi, Bob Norton, Jim Young, John Donald, Paul Kwan, Randy Noel, Peter Rubben, Dave Paulin, Don Anderson, Muhammad Zahid Tung, Juan Mayorga, Michael Nee, Aaron Lim, Felix Hernandez, Martin Vine, Art Smith

1. Approval of Agenda:

Minutes so approved and seconded

2. Introduction of New Members and Guests:

Regular Members: Craig Edmond Jacob, Frank Tally, Mark William Stitt, Sungho Kim, Navtej Singh Pannu, Jacinto O. Nacorda

Students: Mohamed M.A. Ali, Nino M Alvarez, Robert B McNeil, Aaron Liu, Michael Nee

3.0 Circulation of Previous Minutes:

September 27, 2010, meeting minutes were circulated.

4.0 Approval of Previous Minutes:

Previous minutes were approved.

5.0 Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

- A) Assistant Secretary position is still vacant.
- **B)** Dave Paulin's proposed changes to BCIPE bylaws are now implemented. There is detailed information on the changes on our website.
- **Correspondence:** A moment of silence was taken in remembrance of Mr. Charles (Chuck) Puttenham who passed away on December 25th, 2010. Mr. Puttenham serving 41 years on all national and branch positions of the IPE. He was very active and dedicated to the Power Engineering profession over the many years that he volunteered his service.

7.0 Reports:

Area Representative - Art Smith (Alternate Area Rep) Art and the membership would like to thank Tanya Peric and Barry Brown for there work they have been doing for the BCIPE.

Treasurer - Dave Paulin (Acting Treasurer) gave the treasury report, all is in good order.

Committee Reports:

Employment – Bob Norton; Bob reported that with our new website we now are implementing access so as jobs can be posted up from various sources throughout the province. If you know of an employment opportunity for Power Engineers, please e mail the job posting information to Bob. steamer48@shaw.ca

Membership – Bob Norton: Bob continues working on corporate membership opportunities.

Legislation – Bob Norton: has been appointed to the boiler intertechnology committee.

Education – Farshad Foroughi: BCIT full time power engineering students have been highly successful in completing there academic studies, and will be looking for employment in the Power Engineering profession. The students need to get there firing time, any employers who can take on board some students this summer, please contact the BCIPE, BCIT, or steamer48@shaw.ca

Website - Phillip Hughes: Website is operating nicely and is a very welcomed upgrade for the BCIPE.

IPE Student Committee - Farshad Foroughi continues to chair the student committee that is proving to be an effective bridge for student power engineers to step from academia studies to workforce positions.

8.0 New Business:

- The BCIPE will be having a photo contest, information of this is on the website.
- Getting a central mailing address for the BCIPE is in the proposal stage.
- Dave Paulin has organized a mini conference this March 19, 2011 at St. Pauls Hospital.
 Members cost is, Guest \$15.00, Members \$10.00, Student Members \$5.00, space limited to 40 participants, Registration tickets will be sold on the first come bases, so register now.
- There will be presentations on:
 - 1. The role of nuclear energy
 - 2. Steam traps and energy
 - 3. Refrigeration energy conservation.

More info will be on website if you would like a ticket or cedarwind@shaw.ca

- A motion was proposed by Dave Paulin to spend up to 400 dollars of BCIPE monies to provide coffees and complimentary lunch for all those who attend the mini conference.
- Motion was carried, seconded and so approved.

9.0 Coffee Break

10.0 Boiler Safety Talk:

Members at the meeting gave some testimonials on experiences they have had while embarked during there power engineering careers. Some very informative and educational information was shared here. Including the urgent importance for the Power Engineer on shift to enforce safety and efficient operations. That complacency and cutting corners on start up and shut down procedures etc...account for the majority of tragic incidents.

11.0 Next Meeting- February Monday 21, 2011

at: 110 – 2250 Boundary Road (Boundary & Lougheed)

12.0 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2053 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

Randy Noel, PE Secretary BC Institute of Power Engineers