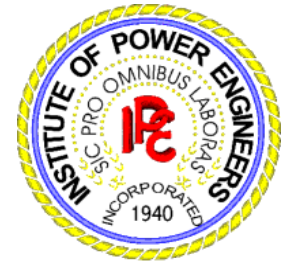




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GENERAL MEETING

Monday, January 28, 2008

B.C.I.T. Town Square Meeting Room "D"

Chairman: Peter Rubben, PE

Asst. Secretary: Randy Noel, PE

Asst. Treasurer: Tanya Hughes

The Chairman, Peter Rubben called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M.

Attendance: Wai Lam, David Babich, Randy Beatty, Ron Jones, Olaf Vinje, Pritam S Bola, Martin Vine, Joseph Stadel, Vince Aalten, Ken Sunderman, Gordie Gully, Harry Kim, A Hutchings, Clay Bick, Robert Lee, Bo Xiu, Nyein Nyein Oo (Nina), Ryan Jesse, Jeffrey Jun Jie Liu, Mike Klaver, Brenden Lee, Kenric Lee, Sergey Fedorchuk, George Anderson, Dave Paulin, Don Anderson, Ben Szmuklerz, Ewo Lam, Jim Young, Octavian Audreica, Peter Rubben, Art Smith, Randy Noel.

A moment of silence was taken for the passing of **Mr. Neil Coen**, (Vancouver), and **Mr. Karel VanHeldon** (Winnipeg), two outstanding IPE members.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Ron Jones, Seconded by Olaf Vinje, Approved.

2. Introduction of New Members and Guests:

New members from November 27, 2007 to January 28, 2008

- **Regular**
Bill Robert Prince, Bruce Mike Jahour, Kenneth Wahl, Johnny Nielson, Denis Leclerc, Kenric Lee,
- **Students**
Jeffery Jun Jie Liu, Ewo Lam, Wayne Keingas. Ryan Jesse, Brenden Lee, Anthony Greco, Sergey Fedorchuk, James Fast, Vlad Kachura, Nyein Nyein Oo (Nina);, Sujit Deo, Michael Klaver.

3. Circulation of Previous Minutes:

The minutes of the November 26, 2007 meeting were circulated.

4. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Moved by David Babich; seconded by Olaf Vinje. Approved.

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Dave Paulin spoke On the correct procedure of positions filled, in some cases by 1. By Election and 2. by Appointments. The importance of adhering to Robert Rules

6. Correspondence

7. Reports

Area Rep - Eric Steinson report was submitted by Art and David.

Exams and Certification: David Babich informed the members that the BCIPE proposal for the Exams and Certification was presented to the BCSA by Eric Steinson.

Sponsors: Art Smith informed the members: Eric and Art met with Johnson Controls. Johnson Controls offered some financial assistance for the Dinner/Dance, as well the BCIT student scholarship.

Treasurer – Jack Dauphinais Report was Submitted by Tanya Hughes,

The financial statements for the bank account, investment an dinner/dance were read, moved seconded and accepted.

Employment – Barry Brown Reported by Art Smith

Go to the website for the job posting – www.ipevancouver.ca You will find more than 15 new Power Engineers employment opportunities.

Membership – Art Smith

Over the years the BCIPE Vancouver branch has had requests to start sub-Branches in Abbotsford, Trail, Quesnel and Fort Nelson. We can only proceed if we have five members that are willing to hold office in any given area. At the moment Victoria and Vancouver members visit and exchange ideas. What is stopping you from getting involved and starting a sub-branch in your area?

Legislation – Eric Steinson

Visit our web site for any new updates. www.ipevancouver.ca

Education – Wai Lam

Wai Lam spoke on some education issues, including that the new Interprovincial 5th.Class Certificate (with the exception of Quebec)..

Dinner and Dance – David Paulin

Dave Paulin informed the members there had been 60 tickets sold to date for the Feb.9/08 event It was agreed on that Dave would order 75 meals from the catering. The receipts to date for this function were handed over to Tanya Hughes, (assistant treasurer).

8. New Business

George Anderson (lifetime member) spoke of the progress that has been made in Canada in the power engineering, including IPE members using the PE every time they write their name on a document. George mentioned the potential progress that can materialize in the future.

Peter Rubben spoke of the waste water treatment operators organization. Their success with 3500 + membership base in BC. How the organization assisted in wages, conditions, autonomy etc.

A motion was made to invite 2 members and their spouses of the waste water treatment organization to our dinner/dance. Moved by David Paulin, seconded by Martin Vine Carried.

Ron Jones spoke to the members, on the need to make sure the budget each year is approved by the executive and the membership at the branch AGM. This is being taken care of and will require approval annually.

9. Advancement of Professionalism: David Babich

David Babich spoke of the IPE offering more to its members. Also in the possibility of the IPE getting involved more in Power Engineering Society, similar or equivalent to other professional disciplines. .

10. Coffee Break

11. Presentation - Mr. Olaf Vinje Power point presentation.

Olaf delivered a power point presentation of the Freybe meat processing plant. It was very dynamic and interesting as he presented the various refrigeration systems. Olaf is the Chief Power Engineer at Freybes.

12. **Safety Talk – Doug Bramley B.C.S.A.**
13. **Next Meeting – Tuesday March 25, 2008.**
14. **Adjournment**

Moved and Seconded, carried. Adjourned.

Submitted by,

**Randy Noel, PE
Assistant Secretary
B.C. Institute of Power Engineers**