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GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, September 22, 2008

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

Chairman: Peter Rubben, PE

Acting Secretary: Ron Jones, PE

Asst. Treasurer: Tanya Hughes, for Jack Dauphinais, PE

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

ATTENDANCE: Ken Sunderman, Sanjay Dange, Reynaldo Dela Cruz, Arthur Smith, Fred Wright, Jim Young, Sergey Fediorchuk, Stephany Evers, Alan Tomilin, Tanya Hughes, David Paulin, George Anderson, Pat Jordan, Eric Steinson, Ross Goddard, Chandra Masih, Peter Rubben, Ron Jones, Rebeka Lash, Martin Vine, Olaf Vinje, Stewart Forsyth, Gordon Beriault, Glenn Williams, Jack Pals; Pun Pt Jisi? (very hard to read)

1. Circulation and Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Dave Paulin. Carried.

2. Introduction of New Members and Guests

New members from May 27, 2008 to September 22nd, 2008:

Regular: Stewart Forsyth, Jeffrey M. Fletcher, Eric Johnson, Daniel Bruce Law
Masoud Maleki, Chandra Prakash Masih, Dennis Yeh

Paul G. Hunter)
Russel Glushko) Corporate Membership (ICBC)
Andrew Buick)
Clay Bick)
Douglas Matiation)

Student: Shifang Zhang (Steven), Xinwu Wang, John Perrin, Russell Bonamis

3. Circulation of Previous Minutes

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

Moved by Olaf Vinje. Approved.

5. Business Arising From Previous Minutes:

Six members have volunteered to be the executive on a new sub branch in Abbotsford. Olaf Vinje will serve as president. Art Smith supplied information packages to assist getting sub branch started.

6. Report of Recent Executive Meeting

- IPE will work at improving communication with members
- Due to industry demands, pulp mills have increased pay premiums for power engineers.

7. Correspondence:

B.C.S.A. Boiler Safety Manager, Mr. John Siggers, has declined the offer for B.C.I.P.E. to examine and certify power engineers in the Province of B.C. B.C.S.A. is implementing a new program of electronic testing.

8. Reports

Employment – There have been over 200 jobs posted on our web site this year. There are even some off shore positions.

Membership – Art Smith – Membership is up over last year, but we need to retain members.

The password to the employment page of the website will be changed

Legislation – Eric Steinson – The B.C.I.P.E. submitted a letter voicing priority concerns to Mr. Ed Ferraro, Boiler Safety Manager. He responded that recommended changes have gone to Government.

Victoria is planning Regulatory changes relating to the Trades, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement will be implemented April 1, 2009.

The Boiler Technology Committee will meet on Friday and a Cross Technology Committee Meeting is planned for October 9, 2008. The Cross Technology Committee discuss areas of concern where regulations overlap.

See full Legislation Report – September 2008 on website “Information” page.

Education – No report. A discussion was held about the maintenance training of B.C.I.T. power engineering students. The consensus was that they are well trained.

Treasurer's Report – Tanya Hughes – Bills are paid. Accounts current.

B.B.Q. – Thanks to Tanya Hughes and Martin Vine the June BBQ at Fort Langley was a success.

Nominations – Nominations are open for the 2009 IPE executive. Anyone interested should contact Art Smith or Eric Steinson. Elections will be held during the November meeting.

9. New Business:

None.

10. Coffee Break

11. Plant Presentation – Olaf Vinje, Chief Engineer of Freybe Gourmet Foods

An interesting power point presentation of his plant. Freybe also supplied samples of their processed meat products for members who were present at the meeting.

12. Safety Office Talk – None

Eric Steinson told membership about a B.C. Hydro safety article he helped develop concerning Power Engineers which links to an information video that he produced. The video is available on www.youtube.com – Search for “Basic Steam Flow”.

13. The next meeting will be the [Annual General Meeting – November 24th, 2008.](#)

14. Moved by Pat Jordan to adjourn meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

**Ron Jones PE
Acting Secretary
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