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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Date: November 21, 2011**

**Trauma Tech Centre  
110-2250 Boundary, Rd. Burnaby, B.C.**

**Chairman: Peter Rubben, PE  
Secretary: Jason Rako, PE (Acting Secretary)  
Treasurer: Dave Paulin, PE (Acting Treasurer)**

**The Chairman, called the meeting to order at: 7:00 p.m.**

**Quorum established at: 7:00 p.m.**

### **Meeting Attendees:**

Eric Steinson, Darren Stewart, Paul Kwan, Art Smith, W.C. Lam, Ricky Williams, Vince Aalten, Randy Noel, Tim Haaf, Min Jun Li, John Gao, John Homans, Jason Rako, Grant Harrison, Ken Sunderman, Craig Jacob, Faruk Hassan, Mike Beveridge, Ben Szmuklerz, Mike Royal, Leon Beausoleil, Colin Burke, David Babich, Gordie Gully, Al Dierks, Navjot Sihota, Dave Paulin, Robert Doberstein, Ryan Minchin, Peter Rubben, Garry Dafoe.

### **1.0 New Regular and Associate members:**

Daryl Bader, Jose Vekkal, Brian Widmer, Vince Aalten, Gary David Dafoe

### **1.1 New Student members:**

Ryan P. Minchin, Jose Antonio Crespo, Michael J. Beveridge, Xavier Gonzales, William E. Merdith, Leon H. Beausoleil, Reino S. Echavez, Navjot Sihota, Varinderjit V. Dhatt, Sukhwinder Mahey, Xiaobo Que, Lixin Guan, Rachel E. Mahnke, Iqbaljit Khurl, Bo Li, Janos Demeter, Igor Mekhov, Yue Jiang, Grant Harrison, Novkash S. Lilly, Gang Li, Wing Wah Chan, Min Jun Li, Darren O. Stewart.

### **2.0 Approval of Agenda and Reading of Previous AGM Minutes**

The agenda was approved, seconded and carried. The minutes of the last AGM, which took place on November 22, 2010 were read aloud by the assistant secretary.

It was noted by David Paulin that there was an omission in the previous minutes regarding bylaw amendment 8.3.

The motion for approval of the previous AGM minutes was moved by David Paulin and seconded by David Babitch and thus carried.

### **2.1 Business Arising from Previous AGM Minutes:**

There was no business arising from the previous AGM minutes.

**2.2 Unfinished Business Arising from Previous AGM Minutes:**

There was no unfinished business arising from the previous AGM minutes.

**3.0 Department and Committee Reports**

Department and committee reports were presented at the meeting as noted through sections 3.1 and 3.3.

**3.1 Treasurer's Report**

All accounts are in order except for one account which is deemed condemned but is "difficult to close." The report was accepted as given (moved by David Paulin; seconded by Garry Dafoe and thus carried).

**3.2 President's Report for 2011**

As written by Peter Rubben:

"In the past year we have initiated regular monthly membership meetings that include guest speakers and provided an opportunity for members to network.

"We have had two all day development sessions. The first was on Nuclear Power and New Technology. The second development session covered HVAC and Water Treatment.

"We continue to post job opportunities for members and are encouraged that there are opportunities at all levels. It is clear that experience and education open more opportunities and encourage members to continue to invest in their development.

"This is my last year as President. I have learned a lot, met a lot of interesting people and enjoyed the role."

**3.2 Area Representatives Report**

The national body of the IPE has made three agreements with PanGlobal; a publishing agreement to produce CATE manuals, a licensing agreement and a memorandum of understanding. IPE members will be given access to PanGlobal's exam question database for IPE members (at a cost of \$10). PanGlobal wishes to work mutually with the IPE.

In regards to the Professionalism Committee, the focus is on new growth on membership. There is also a push for greater consistency of content and layout between the IPE National web site and sister branches. This is an effort to "bridge the gap".

Other initiatives that will be focused on include lobbying government and getting letters of support from industry (to demonstrate the value and importance of power engineers),

It is noted that the number of power engineers is declining while the demand outweighs the supply.

**3.3 Auditor's Report**

None given.

**3.4 Motion to Accept Reports as Given**

Moved by David Paulin; seconded by David Babitch and thus carried.

**4.0 Amendments to the Bylaws:**

Notice of motion was served in accordance with the BC IPE Constitution and Bylaws to be considered at this Annual General Meeting.

The following was proposed by David Paulin with respect to section 3.0 (G).

Section 3.0(G) reads as follows:

“Student Membership may be granted by a Branch to a person enrolled in a recognized Power Engineering course conducted on a full-time attendance basis by a provincial school of technology, and such membership shall be entered at the Branch level only, and shall be subject to the policies and procedures in effect at that Branch.”

The proposed amendment reads as follows:

“Student Membership may be granted by a Branch to a person enrolled in a recognized Power Engineering course conducted on a full-time basis, and/or a Distance/Correspondence course of study and limited up to a 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Certificate of Competency level by a provincial school of technology, Such membership shall be accepted for the duration of the course of study, to the maximum of 2 consecutive years and such membership shall be entered at the Branch level only, and shall be subject to the policies and procedures in effect at that Branch.”

The motion was originally posted on November 1, 2011.

After discussion between those in attendance, the motion was seconded and voted upon with a show of hands.

**Infavour: 29 with none (0) opposed. Motion Carried.**

**\*\*\*Coffee Break\*\*\***

**5.0 Election of the BC IPE Branch Executive Officers for the 2012 term- Election Results:  
2012 Executive Elected:**

<b>President:</b>	<b>Dave Paulin, PE</b>
<b>First Vice President:</b>	<b>Bob Norton, PE</b>
<b>Second Vice President:</b>	<b>Farshad Foroughi, PE</b>
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Randy Noel, PE</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Tim Haaf, PE</b>
<b>Area Director:</b>	<b>Eric Steinson, PE</b>
<b>Alternate Area Director:</b>	<b>Arthur Smith, PE</b>

**6.0 New business for the 2012 executive committee**

**6.1 Auditors to be Appointed in January, 2012**

On direction from the executive committee consider the appointment of two Auditors for 2012 from the membership.

- 6.2 Motion:** That the new executive at the January 16, 2012, General meeting appoint from the membership a three person committee as a bylaw committee, to review the BCIPE bylaws. To recommend and report to the membership at the September 17, 2012 general meeting any amendments to the existing bylaws to be considered at the 2012 AGM.

It was moved, seconded, carried

**6.3 Student Representatives from BCIT**

Ricky Williams has volunteered to represent the BCIT Power Engineering General Program.

Jason Rako has volunteered to represent the BCIT Power and Process Program.

**7.0 Next Annual General Meeting**

The next annual general meeting will be held on November 19, 2012

**8.0 Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.**

**9.0 Adjournment Announcements**

**9.1 IPE Abbotsford Branch Christmas Dinner**

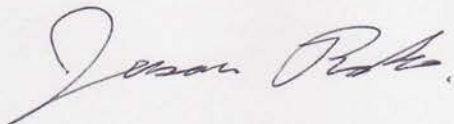
The Abbotsford Branch of the IPE will have a Christmas dinner at the Stationhouse Restaurant in Aldergrove on December 2, 2011.

**9.2 Door Prize Draws**

Door prizes were drawn, based on a raffle ticket system.

Many thanks to Peter Rubben for all his work accomplished as president.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Jason Rako, PE  
Acting Secretary  
The British Columbia Institute of Power Engineers**