

**Chicago Chapter SFPE**  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Monday, October 5, 2009  
Costa's Restaurant, 340 South Halsted St., Chicago, IL  
**Minutes**

**In attendance:**

Marty Pabich  
Jim Lemanski  
DeAndrea Cooley  
Bill Sedlak  
Ed Prendergast  
Nick Ozog  
Lorin Klein  
Jessica Hubert  
Tom Fangmann

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by Chapter President, Marty Pabich.

**Approval of Outstanding Meeting Minutes:** The minutes from the Executive Committee Meetings on February 9, 2009 and July 16, 2009 were approved via e-mail with no further discussion was necessary. (Motion by Marty Pabich and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Lemanski.)

**Officer Reports:**

**President's Report (Marty Pabich):** Marty has selected the **nominating committee:** Paul Hart, Jeff Harper and George Laverick. All positions, except for two committee members, are to be filled.

Marty Pabich will attend the October 18-23, 2009 - **The Annual Meeting: SFPE** Professional Development Conference and Exposition being held at the Doubletree Paradise Valley Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The **International SFPE** is requesting financial support for Scientific and Education Research activities. Marty will request more detailed information on research activities.

The Engineering Education Committee of the Society is seeking a Chapter to co-sponsor and host the **9<sup>th</sup> International Conference** on Performance Based Codes and Fire Safety Design Methods to be held in 2012. The proposal should include the following:

- a list at least three possible facilities to host the conference
- a potential sponsor for the evening activities
- a description of the potential evening activities
- details on the type of local support from the Chapter
- and a profit sharing arrangement

M. Pabich-President (1Y); J. Lemanski (1Y); T. Pintar-Treasurer (2Y); D. Cooley –Secretary (1Y); P. Hart-Past President; L. Klein (1Y, 2<sup>nd</sup> Term); T. Fangmann-ECM (2Y, 2nd Term); W. Sedlak-ECM (1Y, 1<sup>st</sup> Term); J. Nehal-ECM (1Y, 1<sup>st</sup> Term)

The responsibilities would be as follow:

- promotion of the conference
- Pre conference registration and budget/finances – SFPE International
- Organizing committee active (on-site logistics, hotel, conference facilities, transportation)
- Program Committee Activities
- Guarantee of at least 100 local registration – the Chapter
- and Local Sponsorship

Deadline for submission is December 15, 2009.

A Consult Committee will be developed to explore co-hosting this event. Potential Consult Committee members will be Thomas Gray, Marty Pabich, Jim Lemanski, Paul Hart and Jeff Nehal.

This item has been tables for the new Executive Committee.

**Programs Approval** – The summer Planning Meeting was in August. Programs for the 2009-2010 calendar year was reviewed and discussed with Jessica Hubert. Jim Lemanski motioned to accept the scheduled programs. See schedule below.

**Participation and Recruitment** – Marty encourages attendees to seek co-worker and colleague participation in SFPE meeting and activities.

**Future Cities Competition at UIC** - In the past the Chicago Chapter SFPE has provided two judges to evaluate the Fire Protection category and contribute a \$300 prize for the best Fire Protection Engineering Award. It was proposed to do the same at the January 16, 2010 event. The judges will be Marty Pabich and Paul Hart.

**Awards Committee** is to be formed. Marty will contact Bell and Pintar (previous recipients) to participate.

**Vice President's Report (Jim Lemanski):** Jim Lemanski reported the Chicago Chapter will receive the Gold Award for the 2008-2009 Chapter Excellence Award. Marty Pabich will receive the award during the SFPE annual meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona.

**Treasurer's Report (Terry Pintar):** Terry was not present for the meeting.

**Secretary's Report (DeAndrea Cooley):** Nothing to report.

**Past President's Report (Jeff Harper):** Jeff was not present at the meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

**Awards Committee:** Nothing to report.

**CB&C (Ann Guglielmo):** Ann was not present at the meeting.

**Exhibitors Night (William Sedlak):** William Sedlak reported the plans for Exhibitor Night has begun. A date is to be determined in the next few weeks.

**Education (Jeff Nehal):** Jeff was not present at the meeting.

**Fire Service Liaison (Ed Prendergast):** Ed Pendergrast discussed the January meeting to be held with the Fire Service group.

**Golf Outing (Nick Ozog):** Nothing to report.

**Membership (Chris Gates):** Chris was not present at the meeting. Marty reported the membership invoices were mailed. Follow-up letters will be mailed.

**Nominating Committee:** See President's report.

**Programs (Jessica Hubert):** The 2009 meetings and event dates are as follow:

- November 23-24, 2009 – Janus Fire Systems, Training Seminar
- December 7, 2009 – Annual Holiday Meeting/Party, Costa's Restaurant
- January 11, 2010 – Costa's Restaurant
- February 1, 2010 – Costa's Restaurant
- March 1, 2010 – Costa's Restaurant
- April 5, 2010 - Costa's Restaurant
- May 3, 2010 - Costa's Restaurant
- July 21, 2010 – Annual Golf Outing

**Scholarship (Nick Ozog):** Nick reports the revised criteria for the scholarships have been made. The application will be posted to the website. Currently, there are four inquires.

**SFPE National Liaison (Tom Gray):** Tom was not present at the meeting.

**Website (Bert Cohn):** Bert was not present at the meeting. Marty is seeking authorization to get our webmaster new software. It will cost approximately \$300 for adobe dreamweaver to take the website into the future. Additionally, the chapter is seeking a new Webmaster to assist /takeover for Bert Cohen.

**New Business**

Marty Pabich will participate in the Panel Discussion for NICET concerning sprinkler contractor.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:32 AM. (Motion by Jim Lemanski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by several, all in favor.)

Respectfully submitted,  
DeAndrea Cooley, Chicago Chapter Secretary  
October 21, 2009