

Chicago Chapter SFPE
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 16, 2009
Telephone Conference – Call 888 393 2219 - Code 8476642530#
Minutes

In attendance:

Marty Pabich
Jim Lemanski
DeAndrea Cooley
Bill Sedlak
Ed Prendergast
Nick Ozog
Paul Hart
Bert Cohn
Jeff Nehal

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:11 PM by Chapter President, Marty Pabich.

Officer Reports:

President's Report (Marty Pabich): Marty met with the new director of SFPE International, Allan Freedman.

The Engineering Education Committee of the Society is seeking a Chapter to co-sponsor and host the 9th International Conference on Performance Based Codes and Fire Safety Design Methods to be held in 2012. Per Thomas Gray, Chicago SFPE co-sponsored the 3rd ICFRE in 1999. 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

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.

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

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.

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.

Upcoming events:

- Golf Outing - The 2009 SFPE Golf Outing will be held at the Maple Meadows Golf Course, 272 Addison Road, Wood Dale, IL 60191 on Wednesday, July 22, 2009. This is a fundraiser for the Loyola Medical Center Burn Unit. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Tammy Johnson, Nicholas Ozog, or Matt Witt at 312-879-7200.
- Need to schedule the Summer Planning Meeting. Marty Pabich will pick dates in August and request feedback via email on dates and locations for the meeting. The Program Director and the Executive Board Members are encouraged to participate.
- September 14 Chicago SFPE Meeting at Costa's Restaurant
- September 15 Wisconsin SFPE Meeting in Milwaukee. The Chicago Chapter has been invited.
- October 17-23 is the 2009 The Annual Meeting - SFPE Professional Development Conference and Exposition at the Doubletree Paradise Valley Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona.
- October 12 Chicago SFPE Meeting at Costa's Restaurant

Vice President's Report (Jim Lemanski): Jim Lemanski reported the 2008-2009 Chapter Excellence Award Self Evaluation Form for the Chicago Chapter was completed and submitted.

Treasurer's Report (Terry Pintar): Terry was not present for the meeting. Marty reports investments are beginning to increase again.

Secretary's Report (DeAndrea Cooley): The last minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2009, along with minutes from this meeting (July 16, 2009), will need to be approved at the next Executive Committee Meeting (in September 2009).

Past President's Report (Jeff Harper): Jeff Harper has returned to the Chicago Chapter and will act as the Past President. 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): Nothing reported.

Education (Jeff Nehal): Jeff reported there are national supported education programs the Chicago Chapter can participate in or the Chapter can consider establishing its own education/training program for this year. Marty suggested the membership to be contacted via email (using Fangmann) on feedback for ideas, interests and possible instructors.

Fire Service Liaison (Ed Prendergast): Ed Prendergast attended the NFPA Meeting and participated in fire service education.

Golf Outing (Nick Ozog): See President's Report above.

Membership (Chris Gates): Chris was not present at the meeting. Marty reported the membership invoices are in the mail.

Nominating Committee: Nothing to report.

Programs (Jessica Hubert): Jessica was not present at the meeting. The 2009 meetings and event dates are as follow:

- July 21, 2009 – Golf Outing, Maple Meadows Golf Course in Wood dale, IL
- August Planning Meeting – date and location to be determined
- September 14, 2009 – Costa's Restaurant
- October 12, 2009 – Costa's Restaurant

Scholarship (Nick Ozog): Nick reports there are no significant changes to the application or criteria for the scholarships. The application will be posted to the website. The candidates should be related to a member of Chicago Chapter SFPE and involve in Fire Protection Engineering or an engineering program at the Bachelor level. There are future plans to modify the application, name the remaining two scholarships, to obtain corporate sponsorship, etc.

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

Website (Bert Cohn): See President's Report. Bert Cohn is seeking support with upgrading the website. Marty asked that all Executive Board Members review the website and prepare feedback (likes and dislikes) on the website for the next Executive Committee Meeting (in September 2009).

New Business

None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM. (Motion by Jim Lemanski, 2nd by several, all in favor.)

Respectfully submitted,
DeAndrea Cooley, Chicago Chapter Secretary
August 7, 2009