

FWCS – ASME August 2010 BOD Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

- Elizabeth Vincourek, FWCS Chair
- Matt Montgomery, FWCS Treasurer
- Sean Motta, ASME at USF President
- Alexandra Wallmueller, ASME at USF Treasurer
- Magdalena Krstanoski
- Pete Grotsky, Past Chair
- Bob Andrew

Meeting started at 6:24 PM

Secretary Report:

- Pete motioned that the minutes be approved as distributed, Matt seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Treasurer Report:

- Not much has changed in our treasurer report. Stocks have appreciated slightly (\$500).
- Pete motioned that the treasurers report be approved as distributed, Paul seconded. Vote was unanimous.
- Signature cards will be updated for the year. Matt will be the primary, Elizabeth the secondary, and Paul as the last resort. Since the checkbook resides at McCormick Stevenson, this seemed to make sense.
- Still working on a Check Card for the account. It was decided that cards for the Treasurer and the Chair would be sufficient.
- Matt was added to the FWCS roster based on an action item from the last meeting.
- We made a \$250 donation to the ASME Student Section at USF to help support their SLS on September 24th.

Programs Report:

- Karen was not present at the start of the meeting. Most programs discussions postponed until she arrives.
- Elizabeth mentioned a desire to hold a Networking Meeting at Pall Aerospace in October.

Webmaster:

- The new web page is looking great! Dr. Kaw has done an excellent job with it! We reviewed the website with the BOD.

- Dr. Kaw still needs pictures from several board members. Check the site (www.asmefwcs.org) to see if you need to submit one to his attention.
- Bob mentioned it would be nice if our webpage had a link to “Add me to the Newsletter” so people could request our newsletter.

Newsletter:

- Magdalena graciously volunteered to take over our newsletter at the last networking meeting! She attended this evening to begin the effort.
- It was decided that the newsletter should go out on the 1st Tuesday of each month. This gives the recipients plenty of “head’s up” on a mid-month meeting.

Student Section:

- There are 58 non-USF guests registered for the SLS on the 24th! Great turnout. With USF students, they are expecting 75 students.
- Friday is a social day with dinner, key note speaker, mystery design contest, etc. Great photo ops for the newsletter.
- Electra-thon was held last Saturday. USF finished 2nd in the competition. They are looking for a welder who can weld aluminum (6061) for their new frame.
- November 13th, 9:30 am, the Student Section will be doing the rope course at USF Riverfront Park. The senior section members are invited! A barbeque will follow at 1:00 pm.
- Student Papers Night was discussed. The SPDC will be held in March (25-27), so the meeting should be several weeks prior in order to critique the presentations and give the students time to modify. March 2nd was thrown out as a late date.
- Sean is ordering the student section polo’s tomorrow morning. If you want one, it’s most likely too late by the time you read this.
- Magdalena asked that Sean send her some info on recent events so she can add to the newsletter.

Old Business:

- Elizabeth requested feedback on the recent networking event at the Centre Club.
 - Pete indicated he received very positive feedback from members that attended
 - Magdalena liked it, but recommended that better directions be given as to how to gain access. The parking was difficult if you were unfamiliar with the Centre Club.
 - Students liked it because it is close to USF.
 - Paul felt that we should consider the cost as a percentage of our allotment. Is the value realized?
 - It appeared that the purpose of the event is to provide career opportunities for members in transition. If we’re going to make that the purpose, we need to get more companies represented Hopefully that are hiring!

- Sean mentioned that the students were hoping to get a critique on their “elevator speeches”. We should consider this for our next event. Possibly provide this as an off-line service? Kelly Rexroad maybe an option (according to Pete)?

New Business:

- Pete to send an invite to Magdalena for Constant Contact. She will then be able to use the system.
- Elizabeth mentioned a webinar for “Increasing Meeting Effectiveness”. It is being hosted by Cevent. She will forward the email to the BOD.
- Next meeting Wednesday, October 13th . Bob recommended holding it at Pegasus as it is centrally located and free. Elizabeth to provide food.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm