



Tappan Zee Section

Rockland County, N.Y.

Westchester County, N.Y.

Minutes Of the Executive Board meetings, March 30, 2004 at the Oriental Diner in Hawthorne NY

Board Members Present

Brian Cocolicchio, Chair
Ping Wu Chang, Immediate Past Chair
Howard Altmann, Director
Dimitra Doupis, Newly elected Director, currently working at the Conoco-Phillips refinery
Jack Kleinfeld, Director, Webmaster
Prof. Joe Reynolds, Director, Manhattan College
Harold Weinreb, Secretary

Board Members absent

Prof. Nada Assaf-Anid, Director, Manhattan College
Chris Maier, Past Chair, Director of Professional Development, indicated he is "winding down" board participation.
Jerry Davis, Treasurer
Maria Dolores (Lolita) Vazquez, Director
Rose Ventimiglia, Vice Chair

- Approval of the Minutes of the Jan 6, 2004 Exec. Board meeting: Minutes had been previously distributed via email to the Board. Jack is in contact with Dean Heist of Manhattan College to develop a continuing development course (CDC) program suitable for Professional Engineering (PE) license renewal credit. This would permit AIChE to gain some revenue as a CDC certifying entity
- Treasurer's Report: No report since Jerry is away.
- Review of CDC/PDH Survey: Jack reported that 6 out of the 10 PE's in our section responded as interested in taking a CDC course. Actually there are 14 PE's in our section, but somehow the email questionnaire to 4 bounced.
- Review of regional AIChE meeting at NYC HQ: Brian, Jack and Lolita attended. Brian reported that one of the attendees from the North Jersey section said that an attorney on their board suggested that their web site not have ads, including employment ads, because of an apparent legal issue. National AIChE will investigate.
National is developing an educational out-reach program to high schools and college students with a CD ROM disc re chemical engineering opportunities. Brian is going to talk about chemical engineering at his former high school, Valley Central HS in Orange County. Manhattan College already has an out-reach program to HSs.
Brian plans to send a letter to our section members for participants in this out-reach program.

- Review of upcoming meetings:
 - April-Resume Workshop for Manhattan College students. Volunteers from the section are needed. Brian and Rose will follow-up.
 - April 21st- Manhattan College Poster Session: To be held at Mitty's Restaurant in Hartsdale. Rose and Dimitra volunteered to make arrangements. (there were 7 posters presented and Brenda Landau, a Sales Rep for Merck, spoke as a representative of National's Young Professional Group.)
 - May 19: *Security and Vulnerability in the Chemical Industry* at Akzo's Dobbs Ferry facility. Joint meeting with Westchester ACS. Jerry had arranged with one of his former Akzo associates to give this presentation.
 - Fall: Lolita had suggested that we contact SCORE, a government sponsored retired executive group that provides gratis help for starting businesses, for a presentation. Needs follow up.
 - November(tentative): Possible rescheduled presentation by a Westchester ACS contact on radon testing.
 - Project Connect Grant: National AIChE plans to make a grant available for recruiting new young chemical engineers to the Institute.
- Next Board Meeting: Thursday May 13, 2004, 6:00 PM at Mannion's Restaurant in Yonker.

Respectively submitted,

Hal Weinreb, Secretary, Tappan Zee AIChE section

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