

Joint Engineering Council of Greater Kansas City

Minutes of the Regular Meeting – September 27, 1999 Alumni Room UMKC

1. It was determined that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by President Merrill Watt.
2. The following members were present: Merrill Watt - ASCE, Steve Tyler – AIChE, Rainer Dronzek – SME, Tom Kirkwood – APWA, Mal Graham – SAVE, Phillip Grieshaber – ASQ, Leshawnda Larkin – NSBE, Hope Piuck – SAE/SAME, Patrick Mizik – ASM.
3. Rainer Dronzek was introduced as the new Representative of SME
4. Tyler made and Kirkwood seconded a motion to accept the minutes as posted on the JEC web page. It passed unanimously.
5. Poisner made and Kirkwood seconded a motion to accept the report of the treasurer as posted on the JEC web page. It passed unanimously.
6. **Officers' reports -**
 - A. Poisner commented on the questionnaire handed out at the Presidents dinner. He noted very strong support for various programs. It was then decided to post the results on the JEC Web Page. He also reported for Joe Huffman, who could not attend, that a questionnaire dealing with a staff position for the JEC would be sent out before the next meeting. Historical information on the JEC was sent to Sharese Derks, publisher of the next JEC Directory, at her request.
 - B. Tyler reported AACE had paid their dues through 2000. A motion by Poisner was seconded by Piuck and the JEC Board voted to accept the Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering as a new member.
7. President's report - Watt stated Soon-Lee Tho was proceeding with a strategic plan for the JEC and was receiving good response from the members.
8. **Unfinished Business**
 - A. Mizik reported on the status of the JEC 2000 Directory. Sharese Derks had stated that potential advertisers might offer coupons for trade in lieu of cash for their ads. He was asked to investigate this further with her.
 - B. During further discussion on the directory, Tyler moved and Grieshaber seconded a motion that we try to use the Sprint construction project on the front cover of the JEC 2000 Directory. The motion passed.

- C. Tyler also announced that AIChE has agreed to permit their bulk postage permit to be used for mailing out JEC directories. He was asked to convey our appreciation to AIChE for this favor.
- D. Kirkwood moved and Graham seconded a motion that JEC use a full page in the next directory. It passed unanimously.
- E. Piuck reported that the dinner meeting for scholarship chairs was attended by representatives from SAE, ECKC, KSPE, NSBE, MSPE and SWE. Matt Reiske from UMKC also was present. John Frerking of ECKC made a presentation regarding their scholarship program and it was well received. It appeared that KSPE was going to restart their scholarship program and new member, AACE, will also participate in a scholarship program. Piuck intends to finish and distribute flyers to area schools. It was approved to transfer \$300 from the budget line item for the scholarship dinner to the budget line item for the scholarship brochure.
- F. 100 would be removed from the dinner expense.

9. New Business.

Poisner reported for Joe Huffman that groups can request an allocation up to \$10,000 from the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation and Affiliated Trusts for various purposes. There was discussed the desirability of recognizing the contribution of the engineering industry with some type of appropriately designed space/exhibit in the refurbished Union Station. After discussion, Mizik moved and Poisner seconded a motion to apply for such a grant. Our members would be encouraged to do likewise. Watt and Poisner will collaborate on the application.

10. Good and Welfare

Both Piuck and Tyler had suggested that member presidents be listed on the JEC Web Page with e-mail addresses for ease of contact. Poisner agreed to approach Earl Bishop for this purpose. The need for security was stressed.

11. The next meeting was scheduled for October 25th at 6:00 P.M. in the same room.

12. Tyler moved and Piuck seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:18 P.M. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Poisner, JEC Secretary

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