

**ASME Washington, DC Section  
Meeting of the Executive Board  
Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 5:30 pm  
Minutes**

**Attendees:** Rattan Tawney (Chair), Gurmukh Mehta, Boris Ciorneiu, Kaykham Sysounthorn, Karl Bratcher, Paul Bizot

**1. Previous Minutes:** The previous minutes are unanimously approved.

Summary of action items:

- a. Paul Bizot will include a map and directions in the June newsletter for the Family Day event
- b. Kay or Siddiq will establish a waiting list for science fair awardees and invite them, space available to the Family Day event (Release invitations around June 11<sup>th</sup>)
- c. Boris Ciorneiu will arrange for transfer of the custodianship of the checking account
- d. Boris will include an update of the executive committee and directors in the end of year full accounting (August 31). Rattan will check the ASME database and send this (list of committee heads and members?).
- e. Rattan will pursue obtaining contact information for forwarding WDC section newsletters and/or other meeting/event announcements to NoVa section members.
- f. Paul Bizot or Karl Bratcher will send a newsletter in late August or very early September with details about the September meeting

**2. Committee Reports:**

Program Committee:

**June September:** Friday, June 25; Family day event.

**September:** September 29 Dinner at the Swiss Embassy, Science Attache will be the speaker

Finance and Revenue Committee:

Boris Ciorneiu reports that after paying for the family day event, the treasury will have about \$6,000. The end of year full accounting will be due August 31. Boris is currently waiting on the report from the trust fund. It was noted that the local section receives about \$10,000 from the Region

Nominating Committee

Lead is absent

Membership Development Committee:

Lead is absent.

Industrial and Government Relations Committee:

Lead is absent.

K-12 and College Relations Committee:

Rattan reviewed a request from funding from GWU, specifically from Dr. Yin-Lin Shen. Rattan will send an email back, asking for a request (from the students), describing the activities supported. Dr. Ryeng Dong Youn (sp?) of the University of Md, also responded, noting a break-in, loss and damage to the UMD student lounge. There was a consensus for ASME WDC to support this, again requesting a student-generated request, dealing what they want. There was some discussion about an agreement in principle.

### **3. Other Matters:**

Gurmurkh presented a report from the Regional meeting in New York; which had about 20-25 attendees. Most sections are not doing well, ASME is losing membership, and many sections have had the same leaders for the last 5+ years. The northern Virginia section is not active. The current ASME president wanted the ASME WDC section to be more in touch with the ASME (Washington DC) Fellows.

There was some discussion about the northern Virginia section, to send them a copy of the newsletter and other meeting announcements. There was some discussion about mentoring an executive committee for northern Virginia, but not a consensus on that.

### **4. New Announcements:**

I did not record the date for the next meeting (August 31? September 7?)