

Northeast Chapter/AAAE
Chapter Business Meeting
Buffalo, New York
May 4, 2003

President Al Graser opened the meeting at 4:10 p.m. by submitting the NEC Net Worth Report as presented and approved at the AAAE National Conference in Los Angeles on April 27, 2003. He noted that the Chapter has been losing money in recent years. (Net Worth Report attached).

Past President's Report:

Past President Comeau reported that the Council of Past Presidents meeting has been scheduled for June 12 – 13 in Eastham, MA. The Council will discuss the Chapters financial status to include revenue development and expense reductions.

Secretary's Report:

The Chapter Secretary could not attend the meeting. President Graser informed the membership the minutes from the Chapter Business Meeting in Los Angeles were ready for review and comment.

On a motion made by John Duval, seconded by Mark Brewer it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes of April 27, 2003.

Treasurer's Report:

As discussed earlier by the President, the net worth of the Chapter as of April 26, 2003 was \$56,973.39.

Executive Secretary's Report:

Executive Secretary Dick Williams reported that 2003 membership dues has been approximately one half collected. Of a total of 430 invoices mailed, 238 have been paid.

Dick reported that he attended the dedication of the new terminal building at Bradley International Airport, which also included a memorial dedication for Bob Juliano. He reported that 300-400 people attended the event.

Dick informed the membership that next issue of the Chapter Newsletter is coming together and asked for related material from the membership for the next edition.

The selection has been made for this year's Balchen Award winners. The winning airports will be announced Wednesday at the annual awards luncheon.

AAAE National Update:

Steve Adams (National Nominating Committee) reported that the following AAAE members were elected in Los Angeles to serve on the AAAE Executive Committee: Bonnie Allin, Chair; Bill Barkhauer, First Vice Chair; R. Lowell Pratte, Second Vice Chair; Elaine Roberts, Secretary/Treasurer; Thomas Greer, First Past Chair.

Steve also reported that Mark Brewer and Bob Bogan have both been reelected to serve a second term as Regional Directors. Jeanne Olivier was chosen as Director at Large.

Mark Brewer briefed the membership on the AAAE-ACI "Code Share" proposal as presented at the AAAE National Conference in Los Angeles. President Graser added that AAAE Chair Allin is concerned that the AAAE is not growing in a way that includes large airports. Large airport directors tend to have more interest in the ACI-NA. The concern from the ACI is a lack of interest in the accreditation process.

Al Graser asked Mark Brewer and Jeanne Olivier to provide the membership with an overview of the Airport Certified Executive (ACE) program. Mark began by noting that the AAAE Training Committee is recommending the development of a new certification program designed specifically for airport maintenance and operations personnel. Jeanne was concerned that the AAAE Training Committee does not have significant oversight by the AAAE membership but noted that the AAAE intends to pursue a test program and then provide a report to the members. A discussion followed regarding the potential cost to small airports and ACE certification versus professional licensing requirements (electrical, plumbing). It was recommended that if ACE becomes a new standard, it should be available only to operations personnel.

Mark Brewer concluded by announcing that Al Graser was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the AAAE at the Annual Conference in Los Angeles. Congratulations Al.

Executive Emeritus Nominations:

Alex Kashani informed the membership that both Bob Nowak and Earl Crouse were awarded Executive Emeritus status by the NEC membership at the April 27, 2003 Business Meeting held in Los Angeles.

Committee Reports:

Conference Committee. Alex reported that the fourth Conference Committee meeting was held immediately prior to the business meeting. Airport Security Coordinator (ASC) training will be offered at the Conference free of charge for registered attendees. In addition, the Chapter will be celebrating the 100 year anniversary of aviation at a reception to be held at the National Air and Space Museum.

Academic Relations. Bill Hopper reported that the Committee is still working on a NEC pamphlet to be distributed to universities and colleges which offer aviation related curriculum.

ARFF Conference. Tom Long reported that planning for the ARFF Conference remains on-track. The Conference is scheduled to begin on September 28, 2003. The Committee is considering adding a new session regarding weapons of mass destruction.

On a motion made by Tom Long, seconded by Mark Brewer it was unanimously voted to foster the eventuality of having a NEC sponsored weapons of mass destruction training program.

Corporate Relations. Jeanne reported that Deb Wright is still working hard to get NEC Conference sponsorships and that to-date the program is still on-track.

Snow Symposium. Committee Chair Bob Nowak reported that there are currently 480 registered attendees and that they can expect 50-100 more walk-in registrations. The equipment show is bigger than previous years with 120 pieces on display in the court yard. Tom Long announced the newest members of the Snow Symposium Committee: Loretta Slago, National Airport; Bob Radway, Syracuse; Bill Lander, Bangor; Bruce Sanford, Great Falls Montana; Bill Hopper, Pease; Andy Perrone, JFK.

ASOS School. Gary Davis reported that this years NEC-IASS sponsored ASOS program was outstanding and that feedback from the 40 attendees has been good. A motion will be made in August to reauthorize the program for the next IASS.

Member Services. Dick Williams reported that dues invoices are in the mail and were still waiting to get them all back.

Research and Development. Al Graser reported that George was not able to attend the Business Meeting but will be prepared to make a full report to the membership on Wednesday.

Scholarships, Internships and Grants. Vice President Edwards read from the committee report that was prepared by Bill Smith and presented to the membership in Los Angeles.

Site Selection. Committee report presented in Los Angeles. Mark Brewer thanked Cecil Sutton and Bryan Corbett for their efforts regarding the Providence site selection

Old Business:

President Graser reminded the membership that NEC approval for the NAC Grant, Legislative Affairs Grant and AAAE Endowment had been given at the Annual Conference in Atlantic City due to the unusual AAAE National Conference schedule. Membership approval for these grants is normally considered at the IASS.

New Business:

John Duval thanked the membership for their generous contributions to the Gerald Olson Memorial Fund.

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