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NEC/AAAE BUSINESS MEETING**BALTIMORE Maryland****May 21, 2000**

Alex opened the meeting at 9:00 am and had everyone present to introduce themselves. A sign in sheet is attached.

Alex advised the membership that Fred Testa has resigned as Treasurer for the Chapter, and that Buddy Comeau has assumed the duties as Chapter's Treasurer from Jeanne Olivier. There are two vacant positions within the NEC/AAAE's Executive Committee. Alex encouraged members who wish to get more involved in leadership of the Chapter to apply for these positions.

Alex thanked Jeanne for continuing the duties as Treasurer while serving as Vice-President.

Alex advised that this year's International Aviation Snow Symposium was a great success with a record attendance of over 800 attendees and 110 pieces of equipment on display.

Buddy went over the minutes from the Buffalo Business meeting, a motion was made by E. Crouse to accept the minutes as read, seconded by M. Brewer, motion passed unanimously.

Jeanne gave the Treasurer's report and stated that we are \$7,000 in the red for this year, but we will be receiving a check from the IASS and from membership dues.

Kent George stated that the Chapter had too much money in the treasury and the AAAE was in need of funds. John Dickerson advised that the Legislative and regulatory fund at the national level needed more money to advance their agenda, Alex advised that there would be some discussion on an award to the Legislative fund later in the meeting.

Joanne Reville advised that if the Chapter has excess funds, they should be used for more awards and grants for Chapter members.

A motion was made by B. Smith to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by J. Dickerson, motion passed unanimously.

Dick Williams gave a report on the Balchen/Post awards. Dick advised that the committee would like to do just one mailing to include the nomination and the application questionnaire because an airport can nominate itself. This will be discussed at the Past President's Meeting. Dick also advised that the permanent plaques will be issued at the IASS and the travel plaques will be kept on display at the Snow Symposium.

Dick stated that the Chapter received a thank you note from H. Friedman's family for the donation we made to the Heart Association in Harry's name.

Kent George advised that the ARFF School will be in Pittsburgh Pa. September 24-28, 2000 and that Pittsburgh Airport is committed to meet or exceed the high standards set in Boston over the past eight years.

Steve Adams gave a report for K. Dillon on the Membership Committee.

Bill Smith gave a report for the Awards and Grants Committee. Bill advised that his committee would like to make a motion to add a third Accreditation grant to advance the number of accredited members in the chapter. K. George advised that we should include the cost of travel to attend PDI in Texas, after some discussion a motion was made by J. Dickerson to provide 3 accreditation grants to include tuition to PDI and all reasonable travel expenses. Seconded by B. Bogan motion passed unanimously.

Alex advised that the Great Lakes Chapter has given \$10,000 to the national Legislative fund and this is a challenge to us to do the same. A motion was made by B. Patzner to donate \$12,000, seconded by K. George, motion passed unanimously. Alex presented Chip with the \$12,000 check for the Chapter's donation to the national Legislative fund.

Chip Barclay gave a report on AAAE's Legislative issues. Chip advised there is a working agreement between AAAE and ACI to have one joint voice in Washington. Either party can void this agreement if they decide it is not working.

S. Williams gave a report for the Newsletter Committee the deadline for items to appear in the next issue is June 15th.

Alex gave a report for the Site Selection Committee, the committee will be visiting Buffalo, Rochester and Atlantic City in June, to site the IASS for 2002-2004 with a two-year option for 2005 & 2006. The committee will have a recommendation at the Aug. Business meeting. The committee is also requesting bids for the Chapter Conference for 2004 and beyond.

Elaine Roberts advised that the Past President's meeting will be held in Providence RI. On June 22 & 23, 2000. The Past Presidents will discuss the Balchen/Post awards and will identify who the Executive Emeritus members are.

Debbie Wright gave a report for the Corporate Relations Committee, Debbie went over the winners of the corporate spotlight awards that were in the minutes from the Buffalo meeting. Debbie advised that her committee would be more active in soliciting sponsorships for the Chapter Conference.

Bob Bogan gave a report on the numbers of accredited members and advised that we have a large number of people that are Certified Members but are not pursuing the accreditation; Bob will follow up with these members. The Chapter is offering an Accreditation Seminar in conjunction with the NEC/AAAE annual conference in Hershey Pa. August 19-22, 2000. The seminar will be free of charge if the participant registers for the NEC/AAAE annual conference. More details will follow.

Bill Barkhauer gave a report on the National AAAE Board of Directors. Bill reported on the combined efforts of the AAAE and ACI.

Alex thanked Bill and presented him with a plaque for his service from 1992-2000 on the National Board.

Mark Brewer gave a report on the national nominations. E. Roberts will be the Northeast Chapter's nominee for the national chairs this year, and M. Brewer will be our nominee to the Board of Directors, to serve with J. Duval. Mark also advised that Ken Kenvin could not get the support from his airport to serve in the national chairs.

Al Graser reported that the FAA report on Part 107 would not be out till mid July. Al also gave a briefing on a working group on airport security chaired by himself and Jim Wilding of MWAA. The working group has retained the National Academy of Public Administration to further the study.

A motion was made to adjourn by S. Adams, seconded by J. Dickerson, motion passed.