Society of Fire Protection Engineers Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter

Meeting Minutes: December 2006

The December 4, 2006 meeting was held at the Doubletree Hotel on Valley View Lane in Farmers Branch, Texas.

Lunch was served beginning at noon.

President Tom Izbicki called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

Self-introductions were given by the members and guests present.

Old Business

1. The meeting minutes from the November 2006 meeting were approved.

New Business

- 1. Treasurer reported the checking account had \$5,972, not including income from today's meeting.
- 2. A donation to the Texas Fire Museum for hosting our November 2006 meeting was discussed. A \$300 donation was voted on and approved.
- 3. A joint meeting with eh Austin/San Antonio Branch, and maybe even the Houston Branch was discussed. Some ideas include a joint seminar and a summer picnic. Locations suggested were Waco, TX as a central location; College Station, TX (in conjunction with the Texas A&M Firefighter Training School); and Austin, TX due to location of a SFPE Student Chapter. The discussion was tabled for later deliberation.
- 4. Sponsorship of scholarship was discussed. In 2005-2006, our chapter gave one \$1,000 scholarship to an OSU student, and another \$1,000 scholarship to a University of Texas at Austin student. It was the consensus to do this again this year with consideration to give a third \$1,000 scholarship if there was a deserving student. Greg Willis (not present) will chair the selection committee. The discussion as tabled for later deliberation.
- 5. Tom announced that January 15, 2007 is the annual deadline to submit application for SFPE Fellows.
- 6. Roger Tate inquire if there was interest in the group to provide four PE's to take a draft PE exam to provide feedback to NCEES of the exam. Four persons volunteered.
- 7. The passing of Ken Keinzle, of Centex Fire was announced. He worked in the fire sprinkler industry in the Dallas area.
- 8. Steve Unger introduced the speaker David Howell, P.E., Director of Licensing, Texas Board of Engineers. David Howell spoke on recent changes to the Texas Board of Professional Engineers licensing rules. A guestion and answer session followed.
- 9. Meeting attendees included:

Roger Tate	Elias Bathish	Bill Leach
Del Holm	Dan Leclair	Ed Fickes
Warren Bonisch	Rick Matsuda	Grant Ward
Ray Battalora	Steve Unger	Jerry Dempster
Mark Hasenmyer	Ron Coker	Lee Robodos
Allen Webb	Tom Duckworth	Deborah Fontenot
Jay Cash	Tom Izbicki	
Matthew Stone	Todd Bugart	

10. Tom adjourned the meeting.

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