



**TexITE District 9 Summer Business Meeting  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007 - 12:00 pm  
The Fifth Season Inn - Amarillo, Texas**

**1) Call to Order (Crawford)**

Jason Crawford called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm.

**2) Invocation (Sunkari)**

Srinivasa Sunkari presented a traditional Hindu prayer in Sanskrit.

**3) Final Call for Ballots (Crawford)**

Jason Crawford called for any outstanding ballots for the election of officers.

**4) Approval of February 2007 Business Meeting Minutes (Crawford)**

Jason Crawford presented the minutes of the Winter 2007 meeting held in Houston. A motion to approve was made and was approved.

**5) International Director Report (Wunderlich)**

Robert Wunderlich reported the following:

- efforts on the part of the International Board to develop public information and public relations strategies for transportation engineers (White Paper available in Pittsburgh);
- LED signal degradation standards development;
- authorization from the Board to development a Recommended Practice regarding vehicle change intervals;
- ongoing recruitment, retention and reactivation efforts - particularly students;
- a peer review is being conducted for the Las Vegas Area Traffic Control System;
- Tom Brahms has negotiated a longer term contract w/ Starwood Hotels for International meetings.

**6) President's Report (Crawford)**

Jason Crawford briefly offered his appreciation for the opportunity to serve as President.

**7) Vice-President's Report (Charlton)**

Rick Charlton reported that two topics/speakers have been selected for Irving. Rick also recognized the efforts of the Younger Members Committee and introduced the idea of allowing HPG members to present at meetings.

**8) Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Jahn)**

Brian Jahn announced current bank balances and offered a draft 2008 budget for review.

**9) Local Arrangement Committee Reports**

- Summer 2007, Amarillo (Withrow)  
Taylor Withrow reported that the meeting shows a profit of \$347.46 with a total of 115 non-vendor attendees (30 vendors).
- Winter 2008, Irving (Vedral)  
Dan Vedral reported that the LAC has secured Texas Stadium for the Friday Night event. Dates set for January 24-26. Hotel set at \$85/nt at the re-branded Wyndham.
- Summer 2008, San Antonio (Picha)  
Dale Picha reported that St. Anthony Hotel downtown has been selected at a rate of \$129/nt. Dates are June 26-28, 2008. Registration will be about \$150. Working on a parking contract w/City Of San Antonio.

**10) Selection of Winter 2009 Meeting Location (Crawford)**

Jason Crawford introduced the locations vying for the 2009 Winter Location – Lubbock and Abilene. Lubbock was selected.

**11) Tellers Committee Report (Crawford)**

The Tellers committee members returned and announced that the new TexITE officers would be Charlton-President, Jahn-Vice President and Gilmer Gaston-Secretary/Treasurer.

**12) Swearing in of Officers (Wunderlich)**

Robert Wunderlich led the elected leaders through the respective oath of office.

**13) Section Reports**

Reports were made by the Brazos Valley, Capital Area, Greater Dallas, Greater Fort Worth, Greater Houston and South Texas sections.

**14) Student Chapter Reports and Awards (Thomas)**

Gary Thomas introduced the student chapter representatives and reports were heard from TAMU, UT Austin, TSU. Gary then presented/announced the following awards:

Engineer of the Year – Robert Wunderlich  
Younger Member of the Year – Kelly Parma  
Technical paper – Srinivasa Sunkari  
Section Activities – Brazos Valley  
Student Chapter – UT Austin  
Student Paper – Stephen Boyles  
Outstanding Students - Ben Sperry (TAMU)  
Rachel Copperman (UT Austin)  
Mehdi Azimi (TSU)

Terri Lee (UT Arlington)  
David Galicia (UTEP)  
Paul Wernli (UTSA)  
Eduardo Garcia (TAMU Kingsville)

Old Timers – (special service pylons)?

**15) Consultants Council Report (Gaston)**

- a) CCTexITE has increased contribution from \$750 per meeting to \$1,000 per meeting to support student chapter attendance.
- b) CCTexITE announced creation of the Outstanding Student Chapter Advisor Award, the first of which may be presented at Summer 2008 Meeting.
- c) New CCTexITE Officers are:
  - i) Chairman – Dharmesh Shah, Lee Engineering
  - ii) Secretary/Treasurer – Tom Simerly, DeShazo Tang
  - iii) Immediate Past Chair – Gilmer Gaston, Pape-Dawson Engineers
- d) Thursday Night Event – 15 of the 28 CCTexITE Member Firms hosted the third CCTexITE Event a Texas Hold'em Poker Tourney. Sixty TexITE Members and friends participated in the event.

**16) Committee Reports**

No oral reports presented (written reports submitted prior).

**17) Other Business**

**18) Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Balke and was approved, meeting adjourned at 12:46 pm.