



TexITE District 9 Business Meeting Minutes
Saturday, June 28, 2008
St. Anthony's Wyndham Hotel, San Antonio, Texas

1. Call to Order (Charlton)

Meeting called to order at 12:22 pm by Rick Charlton.

2. Invocation (Ballard)

Andy Ballard delivered the invocation.

3. Final Call for Ballots (Charlton)

Rick Charlton made a final call for ballots in the District 9 elections.

4. Introduction of Head Table (Charlton)

Rick Charlton introduced the head table, including Alf Guebert, International President; Ken Voigt, International Vice President; and Gene Wilson, Candidate for International Vice President.

5. Approval of the January 2008 Business Meeting Minutes (Gaston)

Gilmer Gaston presented the minutes from the last minute for review and approval. Motion by Saylor and second by Ramirez to approve the meeting notes. Motion was approved by common consent.

6. ITE President's Message (Guebert)

Alf Guebert, International President, made a presentation that included a brief introduction to his family and an introduction to what ITE is doing at the International level. ITE now has 17,000 members, 880 in District 9. ITE members are in over 90 countries and ITE's membership has grown 3.1 percent per year. Key activities include periodic review of the need for updates of key ITE publications. Increasing professional development through webinars, training session, publications. ITE updated the website in May and has recently added ITE gear.

There are upcoming ITE conferences in 2009. The Technical conference will be on traffic operations and will be in Phoenix in March. The Annual Meeting will be in San Antonio August 9-12, 2009. Alf also invited the District 9 membership to attend the 2010 Annual Meeting in Vancouver, August 8-11, 2010.

7. International Director's Report (Wunderlich)

Rick Charlton thanked Robert for his outstanding service to TexITE as District 9's International Director and called on him to provide the International Director's report. Robert Wunderlich, District 9 International Director, noted that the opportunity for District



9 to host the ITE Annual Meeting next August is a wonderful opportunity for our members to be involved. He asked every member to participate in the 2009 Annual Meeting, noting that he has attended Annual Meetings for the last thirteen years and has always brought a new idea or concept back from each meeting.

Robert urged the membership to participate in the Annual Meeting by: 1) Submitting abstracts for technical presentations at the meeting, the deadline is August 25, 2008; and by volunteering to assist in the technical production of the conference, specifically reviewing of abstracts. To submit an abstract, go to the ITE website and follow the instructions for an electronic submission. To assist with reviewing abstracts, contact Andy Ballard. Volunteers noted at the meeting included: Dave Carter, David Halloin, Brian Shewski, and Kirk Saylor. Robert encouraged as many District 9 members as possible to attend the upcoming Anaheim meeting in August.

8. President's Report (Charlton)

Rick Charlton provided a brief report noting the following items:

- A. District 9 election.
- B. We have a new student chapter at SMU.
- C. Announced two new leadership positions:
 - a. Student Chapter Liaison – Robert Saylor
 - b. Future Engineers Committee Chair – Connie Clark

9. Vice-President's Report (Jahn)

Brian Jahn recognized the presenters and moderators for the San Antonio meeting. He noted that District 9 will be sending out certificates for all those who signed up for attendance at the sessions for continuing education credits. He also noted that we videotaped each technical session and if feasible, the sessions will be clipped and posted on the website. Brian noted that as soon as the meeting concludes he will be looking for session topics and presentations for the Lubbock meeting. Brian requested that emails with session or topic ideas be sent to him as soon as possible.

10. Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Gaston)

Approval of Winter 2008 Business Meeting Notes

Gilmer Gaston presented the Winter 2008 Business Meeting Notes from the Irving Meeting. Motion by Saylor and second by Ramirez to approve the meeting notes. Motion was approved by common consent.

Presentation of District 9 2008 Budget

Gilmer noted that there are copies of the 2008 TexITE Budget on each table that including 2008 actual expenses to date for review and questions. There was no need for action on the budget.



11. Local Arrangement Committee Reports

Summer 2008, San Antonio, (Collins)

Kerri noted that attendance in San Antonio was about 270, including over 60 students. She recognized the Local Arrangements Committee members and provided special recognition to Garry Ford, Kathleen Buckalew, and Chris Georges for their assistance. Rene thanked Alex Reyna and Tom Horne for assistance with the golf outing. Rene Arredondo presented the Golf Awards as follows:

Longest Drive – Jim Sparks, Grand Prairie

Closest to the Pin – George Gaegos, Amarillo

1st Place Team – Ian Lee, Roger Koeller, and Gene Wilson

Winter 2009, Lubbock, (Owens)

Sharmon Owens noted that the meeting will be held February 5-7, 2009 at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza. The registration will be \$150, late registration will be \$180. Hotel will be \$85 per night. The Friday Night Social will include dinner at the museum and live music in the Depot District.

Summer 2009, ITE and District 9 Joint Meeting in San Antonio, (Friebele)

John Friebele stated that we will provide ITE Texas hospitality. Registration hasn't been set but it will be around \$600, hotel rate isn't yet known but the event will be held at the Marriott Rivercenter in downtown San Antonio. District 9 will be working to host the joint meeting and as everyone has noted, this is an opportunity for District 9 to shine with both participation in the meeting planning and preparation and in the meeting attendance.

12. Selection of Winter 2010 Meeting Location (Charlton)

President Rick Charlton allowed the City's of Frisco and Plano to present their invitations to host the Winter 2010 TexITE Meeting. Brian Moen presented the invitation for the City of Frisco and Lloyd Neal presented the invitation for the City of Plano. Frisco was selected by a close "show of hands vote" to host the Winter 2010 meeting.

13. Teller's Committee Report (Vedral)

The Teller's Committee consisting of Dan Vedral, Dustin Qualls, and Lee Jane Ream tallied the votes and the following results were announced:

2009 Vice President – Gilmer Gaston

2009 Secretary-Treasurer – Brian Shamburger

2009-2011 International Director – Gary Thomas

2009-2010 At-Large Representative – Gary Saunders

A motion to accept the results and to subsequently destroy the ballots was made by Saylor and seconded by Moen, motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.



14. Swearing In of New District 9 Officers (Guebert)

Alf Guebert, International President, administered the oath of office for the newly elected officers of District 9 to begin serving their terms in January 2009. Alf also administered an oath to the District 9 membership to support the newly elected leadership in the

15. Section Reports

Greater Houston Area Section – Randy Schulze reported that the section has 134 members, \$13,000 in the bank, and is hosting webinars and presenting scholarships.

Brazos Valley Section – Brooke Ullman reported that the section has 31 members, they meet on the last Thursday of every month and that they are in the black financially.

Capital Area Section – Dave Carey reported the section has 41 members, has experienced increased attendance from UT students, has approximately \$4500 in the bank and they meet the 1st Friday of every other month.

Greater Dallas Section – Brian Moen reported that the section has 144 members, \$4000 in the bank, and has recently started a Younger Members Committee.

Greater Ft. Worth Section – No report.

South Texas Section – Andy Ballard reported that the section has 45 members, \$1850 in the bank, and meets monthly, typically in San Antonio.

16. Awards (Charlton)

Rick introduced Dennis Christensen to make the award for 2008 Younger Member of the Year.

- 2008 Younger Member of the Year - Marcus Brewer
- 2008 Section Activities Award – Greater Dallas, accepted by Brian Moen
- 2008 Technical Paper Award – Steve Taylor
- 2008 Jim Carvel Travel Fellowship Award – Stephen Boyles, UT
- Special Recognition for outgoing Student Chapter liaison – Gary Thomas

17. Student Chapter Reports (Thomas)

Gary Thomas presented the following awards:

- 2008 Outstanding Student Awards
 - TAMU – Jon Re
 - TSU – Lei Guo
 - UTEP – Carlos Duran
 - UT Austin – Tara Snell
 - UTA – Sergio Lugo Serrato
 - UTSA – none
 - TAMU – Kingsville – David Broyles
 - SMU - none
- 2008 Student Paper – Jon Re
- 2008 Outstanding Student Chapter Award – Texas A&M University



Gary Thomas noted that there was a great student poster session and all fourteen poster session student presenters were recognized. Individual student chapter reports were not provided in the interest of time.

18. Consultant Council (CCTexITE) Report

Dharmesh Shah presented the first annual Outstanding Student Chapter Advisor Award to Dr. Chandra Bhat of the University of Texas. The most impressive criteria that was noted was that UT had nineteen students that presented at TRB. The nearest student chapter with the next highest number of presenters had five presentations at TRB. Dharmesh thanked Dr. Bhat for his service and presented the award and a check for \$500. The award was accepted on behalf of Dr. Bhat by the president of the student chapter at UT.

Dharmesh reported that the CCTexITE Thursday Night Poker tournament was a big success with seventy players and \$2,400 in prizes. He noted that CCTexITE is committed to assisting with the 2009 Annual Meeting in San Antonio and is already making plans to purchase shirts with the San Antonio logo for the Anaheim meeting and for purchase by the membership.

19. Committee Reports

- Technical** – No report.
- Database** – No report.
- Newsletter** – No report.
- Website** – No report.
- Legislative** – No report.
- Future Engineers** – No report.
- Awards** – No report.
- Younger Members** – No report.

20. Other Business (Charlton)

Charlton thanked the Local Arrangements Committee for the hard work in putting together the meeting in San Antonio and the meeting adjourned at 2:01 PM.