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Meeting Record – Chapter Regional Committee Conference Call 7/8-6

Present Were:

Don Carrington – GST
Emery Otruba – NC Member
Heather Nowakowski – RECC
John Fusco – BIS
Lee Loomis – RVC – CTTC
Mark Rabbia – CNY
Peter Gerazounis – LIS
Phil Knowlton – RC History
Richard Vehlow – RVC SA
Stan Westhoff – CRC '09
Steven Rosen – BOS
Wayne Vanasse – RC Ref.

Absent Were:

Brian Ryglewicz – NYC
Casey Bernhard – ROC
Doug Martin – MAI
George Denecke – NIA
Joe Furman – RVC-Mem
Khaled Yousef – NE
Paul Marques – CT
Peter Frangiskou – NJ
Peter Oppelt – RC Programs
Shirley Bergman – TWT
Spencer Morasch – ARC

Excused Were:

Cliff Konitz – NC Alternate
Michael Kelly – RIS
Ron Swarthout – RVC RP
Jerry Chabot – CHV

The conference started at 8:00

• Region

- Lee brought us up to date regarding arrangements for Kent Peterson's visit next month. He requested that the President of the Chapters being visited contact him with a suggested hotel. Mark will look into a hotel for Syracuse. Need to have input from NE, TWT. BiState is looking.
- WEB sites out of date – Niagara Frontier, Northeast NY and Rhode Island. Heather is asking that the web sites be updated. If they are not updated we will remove the link from the Region I webpage.
- There was a brief discussion regarding the RIS Chapter who seems to be struggling. Steve said he would see if there was any interest in a joint meeting with the Boston Chapter.

• CRC

- Phil Knowlton – CRC '08 – Plans going forward smoothly. Fund raising for sponsorships has been successful in offsetting the cost for a really great venue – The Mystic



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Aquarium. I will be visiting the hotel and meeting with the CRC committee in April.

- Stan Westhoff – CRC '09 – No report
- Bill Lau – CRC '10 – No Report
- **PDH Accreditation**
 - Peter O. and Brian R. were to report. PIE no longer an option for us. Maybe we can use some of the chapter's already registered reviewers. Point to discuss.
 - Chapter's President Reports
 - GST – Done reported that the bus trip to NYC for the winter meeting was a huge success. He also reported that he is aware of several students that have tried to join on line and have met with difficulty. I requested Heather, Rich Vehlow and Joe Furman to look into it and follow up.
 - BIS – John reported that the BIS and CT chapters had a successful joint meeting. It was held geographically on the border of each chapter, resulting in the picking up some attendees that usually do not attend either. He also said they will probably hold the SUNY Maritime Student Branch charter presentation at the May meeting. John will advise EXCOM so we could attend.
 - CNY – Mark reported that the January meeting speaker's topic was CFD analysis presented by Scott Reynolds of ME Engineering. He said the normally dry topic was so well presented that he recommended his presentation to neighboring chapters, noting that Scott has an office in Rochester. I requested that Mark forward Scott's contact information to Peter Oppelt. Mark also said there will be a tour at a Wegman's store in April.
 - LIS – Peter reported that this month's speaker cancelled so he is straining to fill the spot. I suggested consulting with Peter O. for one of the speakers in the database. He will follow up.
 - BOS – Steve reported that in spite of a major snow storm they had a good turnout at their joint meeting with AIA with roughly 60 of the 90 reserved showing. Next month the speaker is from the Boston Mayor's office and will speak on the difficult permitting requirements.
 - CHV – Jerry reported that he is still strggling with getting a slate together for next year. He has all the positions filled except VP. He has a couple more BOG drop outs coming next year, and feels people are clearly burnt out. He mentioned that one of the new faces is a product of our student chapter, and works with Bill Atkinson, so that is good for the YEA. We have a very active membership, as far as percentage that come to meetings, but a very inactive membership as far as actually helping out.
 - RVC's



- SA – Rich Vehlow – SAC had great participation by the students at the Winter Meeting, noting that there were two busses of students from Region II. He met Maria Soto the student Activities Liaison and she was in attendance at several activities. Rich stated that the requirements for the student design competition are posted on the ASHRAE webpage and encouraged the chapters to involve their students in this activity, and in the least to make them aware of it.
 - RP- Ron Swarhout – I reported that Region I missed a 100% leadership award as we achieved full circle at the regional level but didn't have 100% participation by the chapters. We had 14 out of the 15 participate, missing it by one.
 - CTTC – Lee Loomis – Lee mentioned that we did very well with utilizing the DL program. He is busy working on the Kent Peterson visit details.
 - MP – Joe Furman – Joe reported that he has Contacted Chapters who have not entered any PAOE points - Offered assistance if need be. He sent another reminder to Chapters with inaccurate Membership rates on their websites with a "Please Update". He reports also that Region I membership rose 0.3% to date - [5509 ~ 7/07 vs. 5525 ~ 1/08] We are gaining members, just need to retain the existing ones better.
 - Programs – Peter Oppelt – No Report
 - Refrigeration – Wayne Vanasse – Wayne stated that he is getting more of a response to his urgings for refrigeration related programs. He is continuing to assist in this area including making a presentation himself.
 - RECC – Heather Nowakowski – Nearly all newsletters have been reviewed. Newsletters and web site looking good with the exception of the three noted above that needed to update tier pages.
 - History – Phil Knowlton – Paul Britton has prepared a great and detailed update of the CNY chapter. It was suggested we look into a region I history. Phil agreed to start one.
 - Nominating Committee – Emery Otruba – The nominating committee letter announcing the NC needs will go out soon. He noted that at the CRC in August, the Delegates and Alternates will be nominating for the positions of DRC, RVP – RP and RVC – CTTC. He urged that if anyone knows of qualified and willing volunteers that they bring these names forward.
- **Upcoming Meetings**
 - **President Elect Training** – In Albany, NY. April 5th. Details published. RSVP Now.
 - **The next call is scheduled for March 19, 2008 at 8:00 PM. Spencer Please confirm Conference room.**



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- **Comments**

*Please try to **attend** or **let me know you can't** be there. I understand it is taking away from family time, and that is valid, but if you let me know you won't be there it helps me plan the topics of discussion better or save everyone's time and cancel if too many can't come.*

Thanks for joining the call