

MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS COUNCIL
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
June 2009

The monthly meeting of the MGEC Board of Directors was held on Monday, June 8, 2009, at the MGEC office.

Present: President Peter Buchen, Vice President John Siekmeier, Secretary Len Leitner, Past President Joe Pignato, Directors Pat Ferrin, Jessica Forsberg, Rachel Guan, Linda Heath, Paul Kettleson, Mike Lownsbury, Executive Director Dana Wheeler, Administrative Secretary Rhonda Bauer.

Not present: Treasurer Scott Pierson and Directors Ron Dahlquist and Lane Moll.

I. Presentation: Insurance options for retirement planning, Josh Vinkemeier, MBA.

II. Call to Order: President Buchen called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m.

III. Secretary's Report: Review of the minutes for the May 2009 board meeting was tabled.

IV. Membership Report: As of 5-26-09 there were 1,008 Members (891 Regular, 50 Fair Share, and 66 Associates). There are 336 retirees on the Life Members mailing list.

V. Treasurer's Report: The May report was tabled to the next meeting.

VI. Executive Director's Report: Dana's monthly status report was distributed.

A. Contract negotiations: Dana and Peter discussed the current status. The State is presenting their final offer at the next meeting on 6-10-09.

B. Next board meeting: A motion was approved to hold the next board meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 4:00 p.m. at the MGEC office.

C. AFSCME: A motion was approved to invite AFSCME to the August meeting, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

VII. Committees

A. Finance: The committee needs to meet in July to pass next year's budget. A past treasurer's audit will be needed at the end of June.

B. Nominations: Begin considerations for next board election.

C. Education: Schedule the next class. The PE Review Class needs new teachers. Invite registered engineers who passed the test recently to become teachers.

VIII. New Business

A. Board appointment: A motion was approved to appoint Joe Fleischer (DNR) to fill Linda Taylor's (MnDOT) position on the board. She was promoted out of MGEC. Joe is a past board director (2005-07).

IX. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 14, 2009, 4:00-5:30 p.m. The appreciation event follows at 6:30 p.m. at Running Aces Harness Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Len Leitner
Secretary

Rhonda Bauer
Administrative Secretary