

**MINUTES OF THE  
UTAH ENGINEERS COUNCIL**  
October 6, 2010 - 12:00 Noon  
CDM  
50 West 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah

**Members Present:**

Joe Martone, Chair	SAME
Mike Buehner, 1 <sup>st</sup> Past Chair	SEAU
Trent Hunt, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Past Chair	ASHRAE
Todd Rindlisbaker	ASHRAE
Dan Church	USPE
John Richardson	ASME
Matt Sibul	ASCE
Rob Kesler	ACEC
Mike Berry	IEEE
Dannie Pollock	AAEE
Kiran Bhayani	AAEE
Susan Merrill	Executive Secretary

**Members Absent:**

Peter Tang, Vice-Chair	ITE
Ken Hamblin	UCLS
Bret Christiansen	ASPE
Jim Thacher	AIAA
Leslie Hugo, Treasurer	SWE
Chris Hofheins	SEAU
David Cline	SAME

**1. WELCOME – JOE MARTONE**

The meeting began at 12:06 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 8, 2010**

**Motion:** Kiran Bhayani moved to approve the minutes. John Richardson seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**3. FINANCIAL REPORT – LESLIE HUGO**

Leslie was not in attendance, but she had supplied a current financial report to be passed out. She did not include current expenditures. The board would like her to show that next month. There was some discussion about banquet expenses and ticket costs. UEC hopes to lower the cost of banquet tickets this year. Last year was an exception.

**Motion:** Mike Buehner moved to approve the budget with updates to current expenditures. Dan Church seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**4. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

**A. E-Week – Peter Tang:** Peter was not in attendance. Trent Hunt reported that he contacted Rio Tinto about banquet facilities. He forwarded the information to Peter. E-Week is February 20-26, 2011. Trent mentioned that Peter indicated he would like to have the banquet on February 25. This may conflict with USU events.

By telephone Peter mentioned his concern about having it at the Hilton because of the costs. Costs at the Hilton may not be as high as he thinks. Peter looked at Rio Tinto and the pricing seems to be more reasonable. Susan will mail the Hilton information to Peter that Joe has as well as his article for the Journal. There was some discussion about ideas for a banquet speaker. Peter would like the board to decide and let him know. The following possibilities were mentioned: UTA general manager regarding 70 miles of new rail, UDOT person, Lane Beatty from the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce on downtown development, David H. Burton on the City Creek project (he could be difficult to get because of his schedule) or a spokesman for the Church, the president of a university, or the dean of a college of engineering. Several people mentioned that Lane Beatty is a good

speaker. He would appeal to spouses. Some were concerned about having Bishop Burton because of religious implications.

**Motion:** Trent Hunt moved to present to Peter Tang the top four choices for banquet speakers. John Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was a vote for the top four speakers in order of preference. The results were as follows:

1. Lane Beatty - Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce
2. Presiding Bishop of the LDS Church – Bishop Burton or spokesman
3. UTA general manager
4. The president of a university

**B. Publication Committee – Kiran Bhayani/Dannie Pollock:** Kiran Bhayani and Dannie Pollock met with McGraw-Hill. They said they would have to sell about \$60,000 in advertising and decided that they could not publish our Journal. Kiran spoke with the Canadian publisher who is willing to give us 40 pages, 16 of which would be advertising. The more advertising he sells, the more pages we get. There would be no cost to UEC and any additional revenue will be retained by the publisher. UEC has not had revenue before, so that is not really an issue. If they do not sell enough advertising to cover their costs, there is still no cost to UEC. They will publish 6,000 copies. Kiran and Dannie will give a recommendation to the board within the next two weeks. Articles and mailing lists need to be sent in right away. The committee would like to have them no later than the end of November.

Kiran said the Florida company did not respond to his e-mail. He will try to contact them again. Trent has contact information if Kiran needs it.

Sophie Hanson was supposed to attend the meeting today to give her proposal, but she did not come.

**C. Fund-raising:** Mike Buehner, Marilyn Marshall and Ken Randle have all expressed their willingness to help, but none wants to be chair. We could have several co-chairs. Mike said he will be responsible for updating the fund-raising letter and the list. Susan will help with the mail merge and printing. The letter needs to go out as soon as possible.

**D. Membership – John Richardson:** John received an e-mail from Scott Kisling at SME that they have decided not to join UEC this year. IES will be deciding and giving us an answer in a couple of weeks about whether or not they will re-join. John has contacted the safety engineers and the petroleum engineers, but has not heard back from them. The chemical engineers are a possibility as well as some others. He will contact them within the next two weeks. He is checking with the American Society of Metals International. John would like to know what the board thinks about the nuclear engineering society. Gary Sandquist called and asked if they could have representation on the UEC board. It is a regional society and has student chapters in Utah. The by-laws do not need to be changed. The region can have a Utah section if it has dues-paying members residing in Utah. The dues would be determined by those residing in Utah and they would be the only ones able to participate in UEC.

**Motion:** John Richardson moved that engineering societies that are regionally based who have representation in Utah be considered as a Utah section engineering organization that can have membership on the UEC board with voting privileges. Mike Buehner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

John asked about societies that are school-based. Do we want to go after them? It was decided that we do not want to do that.

**E. Awards Committee – Mike Buehner:** Mike wants to have the names and photos of nominees by the middle of November and the packets by the middle of December.

**F. Legislative Committee:** Matt Sibul from ASCE has tentatively agreed to be the Legislative Committee chair. ACEC would also help with it if they desire to do so.

## **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

Dan Church mentioned the Salt Lake Valley science fair that happens in March. Information about being a science fair judge is on the website under "Events."

Joe said we will discuss the website at a future meeting. Susan said she can now use the current software with Windows 7 and Yahoo is trying to convert the current Sitebuilder websites to be able to be moved into their Site Solutions online software within the next few months.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Matt Sibul moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.