Minutes of 11/13/06 Penn State Nuclear Engineering Society Meeting

Submitted by: Leonard Pasquini, President

A special meeting of the PSNES called by the president was held in conjunction with the ANS topical meeting and the PSU reception at the Double Tree Hotel, Ulam Ballroom, Albuquerque, NM.

Attendees:

Leonard Pasquini, President
Kenneth Hunt, Director
William Naugton, Director
Larry Hochreiter, Faculty Representative
Joseph Sholtis, Alumni (PSU, NE, '70)
Jack Brenizer, Program Chair, Nuclear Engineering**
Prasad Kadambi, Director**

**(spoke separately with PSNES President off line after the regular meeting adjourned)

Len Pasquini called the PSNES special meeting to order at 5:05 PM. The first order of business was for all those present to introduce themselves.

The agenda for the meeting was handed out which had several items for discussion. The agenda was distributed to the membership in advance in accordance with the constitution. Items discussed were:

1. Introduction of New Directors:

The newly elected directors serving a term of office from 8/06 to 8/08 are Dr. Edward Klevans, Dr. William Naughton, and Mr. Doug Wood, PE.

2. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes from the April 22, 2006 meeting: The minutes were approved as written.

3. Election of New Officers/Directors:

The time table for nominations and elections was discussed and agreed to as follows: During the month of November, candidates willing to accept a nomination for the 2007 elections would be identified. All present agreed to search for available candidates. The nominees would be posted electronically to the membership for the months of December 2006; January and February, 2007 followed by elections during the month of March 2007. This time table is in accordance with the constitution and would allow for the newly elected officers to be present at the April 2007 PSNES meeting. In effect those present are the search committee for the new slate of officers. The positions to fill and the terms of office are as follows:

VP/President 8/07-8/11 Secretary/Treasurer 8/07-8/09 Four (4) Directors 8/07-8/09

4. Mission Statement:

A draft mission statement was present by the president for review and comment. After discussion, comments were incorporated. The revised draft mission statement will be distributed to the membership in advance of the April 2007 as an agenda item for a vote of acceptance.

5. Future Seminar (NE 590) Speaker Recommendations:

As a continuing initiative of the PSNES the need to identify speakers of prominence in the nuclear industry was discussed. It was agreed by those present that each would search for and recommend candidates to Larry Hochreiter. Dr. Hochreiter would coordinate with the potential speakers with regard to their topic and speaking engagement with the Nuclear Engineering Program.

6. Next Annual PSNES Meeting:

It was agreed to convene the next annual meeting at the PSU campus in conjunction with the blue and white football game on April 21, 2007. Dr. Hochreiter would coordinate the meeting place. He also agreed to look into the availability of a telephone speaker phone to be used for those members that could not be physically present but who could participate by speaker phone.

7. Constitutional Amendments:

Certain wording in the constitution was discussed and agreed that changes should be made. The changes would be draft and electronically posted before the next meeting for a vote of acceptance in accordance with the then existing constitution.

8. Actions Items:

- a. Draft Revised Mission Statement-Pasquini
- b. Draft Constitutional Amendments-Pasquini
- c. Coordinate next annual meeting at PSU-Hochreiter
- d. Determine if a speaker phone conference call is available for the next meeting-Hochreiter
- e. Search for available speakers for the NE 590 Seminar-all present
- f. Search for available candidates for the 2007 elections-all present

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM