



Meeting Minutes

07 May 2003

Olive Garden Restaurant

6:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Members entered, signed-in on the Membership Section Meeting Attendance List, were given an Executive Committee voting ballot, and a raffle ticket for the evenings drawing which was for 3 paid dinners and a book provided by the guest speaker. Some introductions were given for new members, those members that had not had a chance to meet, and a member's guest. An introduction of the night's guest speaker - Ms. Swapp (of KC Publications) was also accomplished.

The Vice Chairman, Garabed Kassakhian, asked everyone to sit down and the meeting started:

- Dr. Kassakhian asked the members present to introduce themselves and provide some background information about themselves, around the table
- The drawing was conducted

Dr. Kassakhian then turned the meeting over to the chairman elect, Matthew Maio. Matthew and members discussed the following items:

- Executive Committee Voting
 - Ballots were counted and the results of the election were announced
 - Chairperson - Matthew Maio
 - Vice-chairman - Garabed Kassakhian
 - Treasurer - Barbara Ground
 - Secretary - Mark McQueen
- Ø The National Energy conference in September was identified and a brief exchange was made as to what involvement our chapter might have or be able to take in this event. The possibility of members volunteering to help-out was one possibility
- Ø Section Meetings
 - The proposed section meeting schedule for the remainder of calendar year 2003 was highlighted
 - Alternate meeting locations (Car dealerships, such as Fletcher Jones Lexus) were presented and a supplemental task to find meeting locations with greater geographical diversity was developed - The idea being this could influence meeting attendance through rotating locations and making meeting places more accessible across our membership
 - Alternate section activities such as the Yucca Mountain tour were presented



- Approximately 85 hits were counted on the website for this meeting's notice
- Dr. Kassakhian remarked that enlisting members, who frequently attend meeting and show interest, to head-up vacant committee positions may be an option
- Future meeting topics and discussion possibilities
 - Quality in our school system
 - The Malcomb Baldrige Award
 - ISO Roundtable
- Website discussions included the addition of:
 - Job Postings
 - Resume Posting
 - Educational Opportunities

Meeting Presentation:

The scheduled speaker Ms. Swapp of KC Publications had setup a table full of products produced by her company and provided an overview of operation. The company produces calendars and books of our National Parks. The focus is on high quality graphical images showing the natural beauty of each location and the trademark sight for which each location is known for was the major thrust of member questions. The steps taken in producing these publications, the level of effort taken to enhance the quality of the product, and the challenges they overcome to achieve that quality were emphasized. At the end of the Ms. Swapp's presentation she had made several free publication produced by her company available to members in attendance.

Everyone received a 2004 calendar that was highlight during the presentation. The calendars would not be sold to the general public because they contained two errors, which led Ms. Swapp to challenge the members to identify the errors during the quality discussion of the presentation. Holding true that visual inspection does not find everything, it took sometime and a little prompting for the members to find both errors.

Ms. Swapp's presentation was excellent, she was thanked, and the members expressed interest in potentially touring their facility or getting a detailed briefing on specific activities.

Meeting Attendance (Members):

Garabed Kassakhian, Matt Maio, Mark McQueen, Jim Voight, David Hauck, Joel Sheetz, Dion Stams, Larry Abernathy, David Youngman, Malisse Molonson, and Dave Hewetson.



Next Meeting:

The next planned meeting was identified as occurring sometime in June/July 2003

Closing:

The members were thanked for their attendance and the meeting closed.