

Minutes of the Virginia Chapter of the Health Physics Society

Dominion Generation
Innsbrook Technical Center
Glen Allen, Virginia
Friday, May 30, 2008

Executive Board Meeting

Attendees:

Chairman, Les Foldesi, President
Carlyle Gravely, Secretary
Fred Wolking, Treasurer
Carl Tarantino, Central Council
Carter Ficklen, Eastern Council

Old business

Another effort was being made to provide officers of the Chapter access to the checking account using a credit card. Les Foldesi and Carlyle Gravely are to be assigned credit cards. In addition, Carl Tarantino and Erik Abkemier will also be given access due to their activities associated with the Science Teacher Workshop.

New business

Fred Wolking raised the question whether the Chapter should consider incorporation. The cost is a one time application fee of \$100.00 and \$25.00 annual renewal fee. After some discussion the Board agreed to wait until the Chapter membership increased.

There was some discussion regarding elections of Chapter officers. Les agreed to continue as president, Fred Wolking as treasurer, Carter Ficklen as Eastern Council.

Carl Tarantino asked if the Chapter would support the ANS- Chapter March 2009 meeting. Discussion included concerns regarding conflict with the joint North Carolina/Virginia Chapter meeting in Wilmington, NC and the Chapter's support for the Science Teacher Workshop; otherwise the Board was supportive.

Carl Tarantino informed Board that Katie Fowler, a sophomore from Briar Woods High School, located in Ashburn, VA, Loudoun county, was nominated for the National Student Science Award.

Adjourned for full meeting of membership

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- 1.Chairman, Les Foldesi, President
- 2.Carlyle Gravely, Secretary
- 3.Fred Wolking, Treasurer
- 4.Carl Tarantino, Central Council
- 5.Carter Ficklen, Eastern Council
- 6.Charles Coleman

- 7.Pat Wolking
- 8.Richard Toohey
- 9.Beth Hilt
- 10.Carol Ficklen
- 11.David Horn

Les opened meeting

New business

The slate of nominees were presented:

President- elect: Les Foldesi

Treasurer: Fred Wolking

Eastern Council: Carter Ficklen

The floor was opened to the floor for other nominees, there were no other nominees. A vote was called to accept the slate. Approved by acclamation.

Beth Hilt announced that a prep class for the NRRPT is going to be offered for the NRRPT exam at the Surry Nuclear Power Station. She would provide additional information next week.

Meeting adjourn for our guest speaker, Richard Toohey, Ph.D., President-elect, HPS National

Dr. Toohey spoke briefly regarding HPS activities mentioning there is a "Radiation Primer" on the following web site: <http://www.radiationanswers.org/#looper>. A link from the HPS web site to the "Primer" will be established later. He also discuss HPS efforts on the Government Relations committee to seek DOE funding for fellowships. He has completed 42 chapter visits and has 2 more to go.

Dr. Toohey then gave his presentation "Why no one believes us: cognitive neuroscience and radiation risk."

Note: Dr. Toohey's biography and abstract are available on the Members Only section of the HPS web site.

Note: Dr. Toohey also agree to provide electronic copy of his presentation for internal use only, he has not quite completed all of his Chapter visits.

Attendees thanked Dr. Toohey for his presentation.

Meeting adjourned