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TOYOTA MOTOR MANUFACTURING TOUR

November 8, 2007

Plant tour Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc.
Visitor Center, 1001 Cherry Blossom Way, Georgetown, KY 40324

Time: 6:00 PM

Total Number Allowed: 61 (pre-registered only, no walk-ins, no exceptions!)

Rules: Bus from Cincinnati @ 4:30 PM for all Dayton/Cincinnati members.

No carry-on is permitted in Visitor Center including purses, backpacks, briefcases or bags of any kind.

A Valid photo ID for each adult scheduled for the tour.

Cameras are allowed in the Visitor Center, but must be checked at the registration desk before the plant tour.

No children (under 18)

Groups of ten or more (MVSPE) MUST e-mail or fax a list of individual names ONE WEEK prior to the scheduled tour.

We have always had great success with these plant tours. The tour is limited to 61 people. Because the names of the persons attending the tour MUST BE IN ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE, we will start taking names at the October 4th meeting! It is first come, first served. We will provide a bus and a boxed lunch for the ones from Dayton and Cincinnati, but will not have a formal meeting in Kentucky. Costs will be announced at the meeting, and on line Friday October 5th.

Please plan on attending both the October and November meetings today!



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Newsletter editor and chief:

Mickey Brandon, Bob Rajkovich newsletter at assistant.

Education chairman:

Becky Hoffman. Don Keyes, committee member. Mickey Brandon committee member.

House/program chair:

Tony Hoog. Mickey Brandon volunteered to run the reception table at program meetings.

Membership chair:

Tony Hoog. (Current membership for the MVSPE 352)

Intersociety chair:

Mickey Brandon.

Fund-raising chair:

Josh Ullrich

Social chair:

Dan Tomo, Dennis Richmond on the Golf committee

Pinnacle award Chair:

President elect. Yet to be determined

Technical conference chair:

Bob Rajkovich

Awards chair:

Mickey Brandon

Public affairs chair:

Robert Strickley

Historian:

Don Keyes Chairman. Tony Hoog, will be a committee member.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 11/1 Possible vendor night
- 12/6 Possible meeting at the engineers club.
- 01/4 or 5 Holiday social event
- 02/7 OSHA or automotive awards
- 03/6 Materials night
- 03/18+19 National Competence Center Kettering Ohio topical conference
- 04/3 Education night
- 05/1 undetermined agenda
- 06/9 MVSPE golf outing
2008 Bryon Nelson Memorial Golf Classic

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As part of my kick-off message, I promised that the 2007-2008 MVSPE would provide more of what you joined the SPE for: Technical Content, Plant Tours, and Networking. Here's what we've been working on for you so far this year:

- More Technical Content. Our October 4th meeting has been set as a presentation by the Sadler Sales Institute at Chantrell's in Springboro, Ohio. Sadler specializes in sales and sales management training. Sadler has a course specifically focused towards professionals who don't see themselves as salespeople (engineers, consultants, et al) but need the skills to build a client base. See our website and the program announcement in this newsletter for more information.
- More Plant Tours. I am pleased to announce that our November meeting will be held at the Toyota Manufacturing plant in Georgetown, Kentucky on Thursday, November 8th. Please contact Tony Hoog at AnthonyHoog@usui.co.jp to reserve your spot. Check the website for details.
- More Networking. We have reserved the Dayton Engineers' Club for our annual Holiday party on December 8th. This is a special place for the MVSPE as a group of engineers first got together here on November 29th, 1943 for the purpose of "advancing the plastics industry by exchange of technical information". They called themselves the "Miami Valley Plastics Engineers" and actually didn't join up with the SPE until two years later. This is a Saturday night event and we will be celebrating this anniversary by recognizing your anniversaries. Our Awards Chair, Mickey Brandon, will be contacting members who have reached significant milestone years of SPE membership for recognition during this event.

Lastly, I'd like to extend an invitation to the membership of the Kentuckiana Section of the SPE that borders the Miami Valley Section to the South and the West. This is a group that has been placed in provisional status and has essentially ceased operation and coordination with SPE National. If you are associated with this Section, please feel free to join us for any of our programs or networking events. If you have a desire to volunteer with our Board of Directors, we have a few leadership positions available as well.

As always, please e-mail me at jullrich@jmpolymers.com with any questions. Thank you!

Josh Ullrich
MVSPE President

APRIL 16, 2007 MVSPE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Called to Order at 6:20PM

Attendees: Tony Hoog, Don Keyes, Dan Tomo, Bob Strickley, Tom Schmidt, Dennis Richmond, Bob R, Becky Hoffman

Reported could not attend: Mickey Brandon, Josh Ullrich

Minutes of last meeting: Read, moved by Dennis, second by Tom. Passed.

Financial Report: Tony will e-mail update as received from Mickey.

Education: Don reports no requests for money from student chapters for the ANTEC in Cincinnati. The usual colleges (Shawnee State and UC) not a word about attending.

House & Program:

Communications (IT): No report.

International Councilor: Looking forward to attending, has a ten minute “we are the Miami Valley” to present to the Councilors. (Very well done I might add)

Membership: 323

ANTEC '07: Reds party deck is still available for \$ 75.00 per person. Will have answer by Friday April 20th.

Golf Outing: Dennis and Dan report budget and agenda are in. Money sent to King’s Island, Golf flyers are printed and to be mailed April 27th to sections 08, 11, 34. May 18th deadline for sponsor signs. Check with Mickey about her attending and tickets.

Old Business:

New Business:

Adjournment: 8:40 PM

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JULY 23, 2007 MVSPE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Called to Order at 6:30PM

In attendance: Gregory Andersen, Bob Rajkovich, Tony Hoog, Don Keyes, Robert Strickley, Tom Schmidt, Dennis Richmond, Becky Hoffman, Mickey Brandon, and Josh Ullrich.

First item on the agenda was the election of officers. Some officers have already been selected.

President: Josh Ullrich

Counselor: Dennis Richmond

The following officers were nominated and elected.

You

General discussion:

Schmidt is suggestion that the MVSPE had to event calendar. This calendar would list MVSPE events as well as other activities of interest to the membership.

Tony Hoog has suggested the Air Force Museum tour or the engineers club as venues that should be considered for a meeting or tour.

The Husky award was discussed. This is a \$5,000 award for a section to sponsor an event or project there is also a student award of \$2500 that is made every year. It was suggested that some effort be made in our presentation for the Husky award and that we encourage student members of the MVSPE to apply for the student award.

Josh Ullrich made a request to have members get advertisers for our newsletter. The newsletter is an electronic and can have a link to advertisers web sites. The cost for a full-page and is \$600 for the nine months at the newsletter is published.

Golf Outing Summary: presented by Dennis Richmond.

Expenses for the golf outing totaled \$8,541.05. The net income from the event was \$1853.95.

Some discussion about the allocation of funds to general revenue and the education fund. The hole sponsorship money and raffle ticket profits are to be allocated to the education fund. This education fund goes to scholarships and the sponsoring of students to attend Antech.

Some discussion on chapter revenues was as follows.

We lose money at dinners. We lose money on the newsletter. The goal should be to break even on general revenue basis and build funds for the education fund and make awards.

Rebate money comes back from the national as PE organization as part of member dues are returned to the chapters.

Counselor's report:

Dennis Richmond presented some information about the recent counselors meeting that he attended. See the attached report for details.

Kentuckiana Chapter discussion: this chapter of the SP which is geographically directly south of the MVSPE is in some trouble. If the Kentuckiana Chapter cannot recover from its difficulties the MS in the PE is interested in adopting its members.

Review of minutes from previous meeting: the minutes were reviewed and a motion made for adoption of the minutes by Tom Schmidt. This motion was seconded by Greg Andersen. The board voted unanimously in favor of adopting the minutes.

Upcoming meeting dates:

The schedule for the upcoming meetings is 5:00 p.m. board meeting. 6:00 p.m. networking time. 6:30 p.m. meeting start.

The upcoming meeting dates are as follows.

September 6, 2007: first general meeting of the season

October 4, 2007: This meeting may include a plant tour of some kind. The Honda Marysville Ohio motorcycle plant was suggested.

November 1, 2007: Possible vendor night.

December 6, 2007: Possible meeting at the engineers club.

January 4 or 5, 2008: Holiday social event

February 7, 2008: OSHA or automotive awards

March 6, 2008: Materials night

March 18 and 19, 2008: National competence Center Kettering Ohio topical conference

April 3, 2008: Education night

May 1, 2008: undetermined agenda

June 9, 2008: MVSPE chapter golf outing.

Motion for adjournment: Mickey Brandon. Tom Schmidt seconded the motion.

Board vote unanimous in favor. Meeting adjourned.

COUNCILOR'S MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Cincinnati, OH

May 5 and 6, 2007

Attendee from MVSPE: Dennis Richmond

-Next Council Meeting in Irvine, CA, September 28 and 29, 2007

New Councilors: Attended session for new councilors. There are 100 Sections and 25 Divisions with councilors plus 15 Executive Committee people for approximately 140 voting members on the SPE Council. Key responsibilities of Councilors are to communicate between there sections / divisions and the SPE council and governance.

Recommendation made to have a backup section representative if section councilor is unable to attend the council meetings.

www.4spe.org: An overview presentation was provided on the SPE website. Key points mentioned were:

-Recognition Certificates: Use to recognize members, speakers, officers, etc.

-Speaker List: Contacts for program speakers at monthly meetings

-Financial Information: IRS forms, Financial Report, Treasurer Guidelines

-Credit Card Processing: Allows the sections to turn in credit card payments to National for a 2.7% service charge.

-Membership Chair information and membership details

Side note: Several sections offer a 90 voucher for first meeting for new members.

Key to rebates is to continue to file news letters, annual financial report, IRS form, meeting minutes and Section's goals.

Section Council Committee:

Large portion of the meeting time was directed at sections merging and being abandoned. The Kentuckiana moved from Provisional to Abandonment status. It will still be another year for the Kentuckiana Section to be dissolved.

Briefly Section 9.2 of the By-laws say a section must first be without any activity for at least 2 years, no active board, no leadership and members given notice to join other sections. The process will take another year.

If MVSPE is considering a merger with the Kentuckiana Section, then the in coming MVSPE president is first to make contact with a present member (name unknown) who keeps in contact with National. MVSPE will need to start the process of the merger at the September Council meeting for approval in May, 2008.

Council Committee-of-the-Whole

A motion carried, after lengthy discussion, to try for one year starting in Fall of 2008 the combination of the Fall and Winter meeting. This would require attendance since the ANTEC council meeting counts as two sessions and attendance at 3 is necessary for rebates.

The combining of the meetings will add a Thursday or Sunday to the previous two day venue.

EDUCATION: \$2,500 Husky Student award to six (6) student chapters; (7) applied.
\$5,000 Husky Section Award to Australia; (11) sections applied

ANTEC: Next year's ANTEC, in Milwaukee, will include both papers that are theoretical and practical. All papers are to remain educational, but logos and company names can be shown on the papers. Including information on where an interested party can buy the product. The idea is to offer attendees to make money if they find something useful. This was a result of the member's survey.

There were 656 papers scheduled in 121 sessions. \$428,000 of exhibition space sold, for a total of 17,000 sq. ft , 230 exhibitors. The Cincinnati type city has been a big positive in ANTEC 2007's success. This ANTEC was the first in history to make budget, \$650,000, before the doors opened.

SPE FINANCES: There was a surplus of \$71,000 for 2006. Plus \$90,000 went to the SPE Foundation. Total assets, \$1.35 million.

MEMBER SURVEY: Based on a rating 1 to 5, 5 being highest, the Sections had an overall rating of 2.9.

- 67% SPE dues are company paid
- 60% know they are in a section
- 35% attend meetings occasionally
- 3.5 rating for SPE being the source of technical information
- 4.1 rating for best source of technical information
- 22.7% of members want practical information
- 24.9% of members look at SPE for general industry information

The complete 100 page findings of this survey are on the Extranet under the 4spe.org website.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: September 27 thru 29 at the Hyatt in Irvine, CA.

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