



American Filtration & Separations Society

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 7, 2009

6:00PM—dinner 6:30PM

Room: Westminister I

Kensington Court Hotel, Ann Arbor, MI

AFS BOARD MEMBERS:

Officers	
Past Chairman	
Barry Verdegan, Cummins	Executive Committee Out going Chair
Chairman	Chairman
Neville Bugli, IBR	Executive Committee Incoming Chair
1st Vice Chair	
Benjamin Fuchs, DuPont, Attended via teleconference	Executive Committee Incoming 1 st Vice Chair 2010 Annual Conference, Chair
2nd Vice Chair	
K.J. Choi, AAF International (American AirFilter), Attended via teleconference	Executive Committee Incoming 2 nd Vice Chair 2011 Annual Conference, Chair
Treasurer	
Norm Lifshutz , in regret	Executive Committee Financial Committee, Chair Technical Chair
Executive Manager	
Suzanne Sower, Horizon Visuals	AFS Administration
Ken Sower, Horizon Visuals	AFS Administration
Board Members and Committee Chairs:	
George Chase, U of Akron	Board (2008-2010) Scientific Committee Chair
Michael Chen, Dupont, Attended via teleconference	Board (2008-2010)
Ed Homonoff, Homonoff & Assoc., Attended via teleconference	Board (2008-2010)
Z. Jerry Liu, Cummins	Board (2008-2010)
Ernest Mayer, DuPont Engineering	Board (2008-2010) Chapter Affairs and Users Committee
Sean Meenan, Pall Corporation; Attended via teleconference	Board (2008-2010)
Joe Israel, Donaldsons; Attended via teleconference	Board (2009-2011)
Don Largent, Air Techniques International	Board (2009-2011)
Christophe Peuchot, IFTS	Board (2009-2011)
Hooman Tafreshi, VCU	Board (2009-2011)
Peter Tsai, U of Tennessee	Board (2009-2011)
Mathias Stolarski, Dupont, Attended via teleconference	Board (2009-2011) 2010 Annual Conference, co- Chair
Kenneth Rubow, Mott Corporation	Board (2007-2009) Mott Corporation, (2009 Annual

	Technical Conference Organizing Committee)
George Chase, University of Akron	Board 2006-2008) Outgoing Publication Committee, Outgoing Chair Scientific Committee, Chair
Honored Guests	
Ed Gregor, EC Gregor LLC	Corporate Sponsor Committee Chair
Tad Jaroszczyk, Cummins, retired	
B.K. Parekh, University of Kentucky-CAER	Board (2007-2009) (2011 Annual Technical Organizing Meeting Co-Chair)
Kevin Westerson	
Board Members and Committee Chairs in Regrets:	
Wu Chen, Dow Chemical	Educational Chair, report submitted not in attendance

Chairperson Barry Verdegan opens the meeting. After welcoming remarks, Verdegan steps down as chair and Neville Bugli assumes the chairmanship. New members of the board are welcomed.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were reviewed and approved.

Jaroszczyk has to leave the meeting early, so he requests that discussion on the Fall 2009 conference be moved up in the agenda.

Program Committee

Fall 2009 – Jaroszczyk reports that this was a difficult program to bring together. It was twice as much work as past emission conferences. Gregor reported that about 6 weeks before the conference there was barely a program. He praised the organizers for bringing all together. He said that while the program was only one track, it had excellent quality and he heard nothing but praise from attendees.

K. Sower reported that the conference did show a small lose.

Spring 2010 – Fuchs reported that 2 out of the 3 tracks were complete with session chairs. One track needed some work. For the most part things are on schedule.

Fall 2010 – S. Sower reported that WQA has located a property near Baltimore and that they are moving forward to secure the contract. Suzanne and Ken met with Yaeger and he is confirmed as chairing the Water track of the conference. Mayer will chair the Filter Testing track.

Spring 2011 – S. Sower reported that a property has been secured in Louisville for this conference. Choi and Parekh are organizing.

Fall 2011 – The long-range plan indicates that W. Chen and Li will chair in Houston. This needs to be confirmed with them.

Finance Committee

Lifshutz was not present, but his report projects a \$46,000 shortfall for 2009. K. Sower input that the projections are based on projected fall conference expenses that are overstated because the conference did not have the number of attendees that the expense were based on.

Local Chapter Committee

Mayer reported on plans for local chapter meetings.

Long Range Planning Committee

As the new 2nd Vice Chair, Choi assumes the chair of this committee. Bugli will forward the spreadsheet that has the LRP through 2011. Choi should work on planning 2012 and beyond.

Education Committee

Chen was not present, but had a written report. There were no short courses at the fall 2009 conference because of lack of registration. The report listed 12 courses to be offered in spring 2010.

Mayer indicated that his wastewater course was not listed.

There was discussion about the number of courses offered. It was decided that Chen should make an effort with his committee to streamline the number of courses.

Marketing Committee

K. Sower reported on the marketing activities. The marketing for the fall conference included 9 press releases, two mailings and Google Adwords. In addition the AFS web site and eNewsletter are important.

Sower expressed a desire to get more technical content for the web site. After discussion an ad hoc committee was organized to look at options. The committee consisted of Barry Verdegan, Neville Bugli, George Chase, Don Largent, Ray Collins and Ken Sower.

Publications Committee

Collins was not present, but sent a report to Suzanne. There was one new paper published in the Filtration Journal.

Articles and Bylaws

Homonoff had nothing new to report, except that the bylaws needed to be updated to include the new scientific committee.

Scientific Committee

Chase reported that the 12 member committee is done to 11. 12 new members will be added this next year. It was suggested that the Scientific Committee be listed in the left column on AFS letterhead.

Membership Committee

A new chair needs to be found for this committee.

There was a motion made and passed to change membership dues to the following:

All individual members (US, Canada/Mexico, International) should pay \$125.00USD

Retired and unemployed members pay \$75.00USD.

Student members pay \$50

Distributor and Manufacturers' Rep Companies pay \$1250.00

Corporate Sponsors Committee

Gregor reported on the mailing campaign to past corporate sponsors. There have been two mailings so far.

There also was a meeting for the corporate sponsors. Two corporate sponsors showed up, plus other interested people. Many options to enhance corporate sponsorship were discussed in the corporate sponsors meeting.

Nominations and Tellers and Awards Committee

Verdegan had nothing to report, but everyone was advised to encourage people to run for the board.

Performance Review Committee

No report from John Finley.

Test Methods Committee

Bugli had nothing new to report.

AFS Executive Managers report

S. Sower reported that all the EM's comments had already been made in earlier discussions.

New Business

Bugli is asking all of their committees to put forth a plan for 2010. He also wanted everyone to be thinking long term. We do we want AFS to be in 5 or 10 years.

Next Board Meeting Date - Wednesday March 24, 2010 6:00 pm

Adjournment at 10:13 PM