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MINUTES OF THE ACC&CE COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2022 VIA GTM

ATTENDED BY: Richard Goodman, Steve Duerr (Treasurer), Koki Doshi, David Manuta, Charles Leonard, Joe Porcelli, Marvin DeTar, Dick Schauer, Bill Hoffman, Al Sagarese, John Fetzer, Heather Wahab. There were no proxies.

AGENDA AND CHANGES: The meeting commenced at 7:02 PM EST. No changes to the agenda were proposed and it was accepted after the motion proposed by Marvin and was seconded by Charlie.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: The Minutes of the December 2021 Council Meeting, were approved. The motion to approve was proposed by David Manuta and seconded by Bill.

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Steve Duerr

Checking account has not changed. Membership stands at 40 which includes one honorary. Randy Meiowitz paid his membership dues twice, so this will be considered as payment for next year. He has been notified by email. 11 member's dues and one advertisement are unpaid. The report was accepted after the motion proposed by Bill and seconded by Charlie.

President's Remarks: Richard Goodman

- Richard welcomed Heather Wahab as newest member on board.
- Richard did contact the current Chair of SHCB Jim Skinner who did show interest in cooperation and then referred Richard to the Program Chair Jennifer MacLachlan. They meet every week and have an active program with open discussion or Presentations. Some of the members are Consultants but not members of ACC&CE. The meetings are on Zoom and held on Wednesdays, but attendance is by invitation after registering name and email of those who are interested in attending. 20-25 members are usually attending. We can individually become part of this group. This is a good chance of presenting topics of interest and networking. Chemical Consulting Network also meets on Wednesdays.
- Marvin posts ACC&CE activity on LinkedIn regularly and gets 100-120 clicks which shows people do read it. Some posts get 300 followers, especially which referred to the CCI2F2 component in the oceans.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Programs: Al Sagarese

Last program was well attended and had lots of positive feedback. Next talk will be towards of end of February or early March with two possible topics; one is about insects and the other by the former president of the Federal Reserve Board.

NEWSLETTER: Koki Doshi

The last newsletter came out in December 2021. The next should come out possibly in April.

MEMBERSHIP: Dick Schauer

One application for membership and one inquiry was noted. Steve asked for clarification regarding how a member was approved. Richard responded that it is by majority of the board's approval. The discussion followed and it was suggested that it is by majority of quorum.

WEBSITE: Charlie Leonard

Charlie is still without assistance and waiting for any other member to take up the mantle of the website. Heather showed interest in learning the ropes in next couple of months. Two recent presentations have been added to the website, updates done and Newsletter distributed. One plug-in is being discontinued; it will probably work for a couple years but eventually will require an additional programming effort. The request for jeopardy questions for the AIChE North Jersey student's group came through the website. David, Richard, and Bernie provided input with possible questions.

LinkedIn: Marvin DeTar

Lots of people are looking in our site as deduced from hits. Marvin posts the program on both, ACC&CE as well his site for more exposure. We as members should copy paste the same on our sites thereby increasing the exposure.

AIChE advertisement: Joe Porcelli

Latest one went online today. Marvin is doing most of the work. Two more postings will be done, in April and fall. By next month we can see the hits resulting from the advertisement aimed at more work as against more membership. The Small Business group has a newsletter where an advert can be placed. Richard will find out about it.

Len Anderson's membership was brought up due to inappropriate and gibberish posting in the emails circulated by him. He will be contacted by David to dissuade him posting to all membership. If he is unresponsive to our concerns, he will be removed as a member.

Bill wanted to know how many people had taken on CHI's last year. The income from CHI's was from various types of work done.

There was no new business to discuss

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM EST.

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