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ASHRAE - REGION XI 1992 CRC VICTORIA CONFERENCE CENTER  
VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

BUSINESS SESSIONS

FRIDAY MAY 8, 1992 - 9:15 AM TO 11:50 AM

SATURDAY MAY 9, 1992 - 2:00 PM TO 4:35 PM

CHAIRMAN - RALPH M. MATTISON, DRC REGION XI

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Director and Region XI Chairman  
President  
Vice President  
Executive Director, ASHRAE  
Vice Chairmen:

Educational Activities  
Refrigeration  
Research Promotion  
Membership Promotion  
Energy and Technical Affairs  
Historian

Region XI Nominating Committee Alternate  
CRC Chairman, Vancouver Island

Ralph M. Mattison  
Donald G. Rich  
Billy R. Manning  
Frank M. Coda

Richard B. Casault  
Ronald H. Strong  
Elizabeth A. Parke  
Dale E. Carter  
Ralph L. Robson  
Earl S. Constant  
Richard A. Evans  
Cedric Trueman

Chapter

Alaska  
British Columbia  
Inland Empire  
Manitoba  
Mid Columbia  
Northern Alberta  
Oregon  
Puget Sound  
Regina  
Saskatoon  
Southern Alberta  
Vancouver Island

Delegate

Brian Miller  
Chris Malloy  
Warren Stacey  
Timothy McGinn  
Bob Gregonis  
Dennis Gibeau  
Jim Haberman  
David Gardner  
Brian George  
Darrell Solie  
Sid Wealleans  
Rene Ballard

Alternate

Keith Reed  
Gary Way  
Steve Bloom  
Don Snider  
  
Ivan Hall  
Doug Dunford  
Charles DeMontigny  
Guy Sander  
Ken Ingalls  
Gordon Anderson  
John Forster

Visitors:

Douglas Spratt, Vancouver Island Chapter Secretary  
Grant Undershute, Vancouver Island Chapter  
Larry Fox, S. Alberta Chapter, Education Chairman  
Marv Hounjet, S. Alberta Chapter, ETA Chairman  
Jim Harrison, Puget Sound Chapter, Membership Promotion Committee  
Dennis Kiselbach, B.C. Chapter  
Wendell W. Wolfe, S. Alberta Chapter  
William N. Henriksen, Alaska Chapter  
Dieter Bartel, Manitoba Chapter, Secretary

Visitors, continued:

Bob Crites, Oregon Chapter, Secretary  
Roger Chamberlain, Inland Empire Chapter, Membership Chairman  
Alan Dakessign, Oregon Chapter, ETA Chairman  
Robert McDowall, Manitoba Chapter, Newsletter Editor  
Ian Mackie, B.C. Chapter, Society Director At Large

1) CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Ralph Mattison.

2) ELECTION OF SECRETARY

MOTION: Move that Grant Undershute be elected as recording secretary for the business sessions, and that Douglas Spratt act as assistant secretary.

Motion put forward by the Vancouver Island Chapter, second by the Inland Empire Chapter. Motion carried.

3) ROLL CALL

Roll call was completed. All Delegates and Alternates, with the exception of the Mid Columbia Chapter Alternate, were present.

4) INTRODUCTIONS

All members present were introduced.

5) COMMENTS FROM OFFICERS

Billy Manning addressed the group, and presented a slide presentation showing some recent developments in the ASHRAE Research program. He also explained aspects of various new ASHRAE standards, transactions, technical publications, guidelines, electronic data bases and correspondence courses which are now available. He spoke about the continuing popularity of conferences, specialty meetings, and the PDS series. He pointed out ASHRAE's commitment to education and scholarships, and to good planning.

Frank Coda spoke to the group about ASHRAE staff organization as related to the Councils. He specifically discussed Membership, Education, Technology, Communications and Publications, and Finance and Administration. He spoke of the expanded role of the Government Affairs office, and he briefly commented on council restructuring with increased emphasis on Education. He described the recent renovation of the ASHRAE headquarters building and said that it was nearing completion.

6) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the 1991 Region XI CRC, May 17 and 18, Sheraton Cavalier Hotel, Saskatoon, was put forward by Saskatoon Chapter and seconded by Oregon Chapter. Motion carried.

7) OLD BUSINESS - MOTIONS FROM 1991 CRC

- A. Moved that a Regional Fund for use by Regional Vice Chairmen and Regional Chairman be established. This motion has been implemented. A report on this fund will be provided later during the meeting.
- B. Moved that Society co-sponsor an international conference on building technology and human health in cold climates to be held in Brussels in 1993. Other co-sponsors of this conference are European engineering societies.

This motion was referred to Regions and Technology Councils where it passed. It was then forwarded to the Board and is being implemented.

- C. Moved that ASHRAE use recycled paper where possible which is clearly identified as a recycled product in Society and Regional activities.

This motion was referred to Regions Council where it passed and was sent on to staff. Frank Coda stated that this motion is generally being carried out.

- D. Moved that ASHRAE evaluate a multi-year (3-5 year) student or graduate membership for graduating student members and new graduates in order to capture graduates, track their movement after graduation, and develop their professional interest in the Society.

This motion was referred to the Membership Promotion committee, but has not left this committee. Dale Carter, Regional Vice Chairman, suggested that this motion be reworded.

- E. Moved that procedures for honors and awards submissions at CRCs be classified. Specific procedures to be defined are for direction of submission, number of copies to be submitted and to whom, and action to be taken, if any, by the delegate and alternate.

This motion was referred to the Honors and Awards Committee, where it was assigned to a subcommittee for study and recommendations.

8) NEW BUSINESS

A. DRC Report

Ralph Mattison presented his report, outlining some of the accomplishments of the past year. He visited all twelve chapters and one section in the region at least once. He found them doing well, considering the different economic conditions existing in the various areas of the region. Two new regional awards were started this year; the Student Branch Award and the Refrigeration Trophy.

B. Regional Vice Chairmen Reports

Regional Vice Chairmen Reports were given by:

Dale Carter	Membership Promotion
Elizabeth Parke	Research Promotion
Ralph Robson	Energy & Technical Affairs
Rick Casault	Educational Activities
Ron Strong	Refrigeration
Earl Constant	Historian
Rich Evans	Nominating Committee

C. Chapter Summary Reports

Each chapter delegate presented a summary report indicating some of their chapter's activities, accomplishments and challenges encountered over the last year.

After these summary reports, the first business session was adjourned at 11:50 a.m., Friday, May 8, 1992.

The second business session was called to order by Ralph Mattison at 2:00 p.m. Saturday May 9, 1992.

A roll call was taken. All delegates and alternates present for the first business session were present for the second session.

VISITORS:

Jim Harrison, Puget Sound Chapter, Membership Promotion Committee  
Dennis Kiselbach, B.C. Chapter  
Wendell W. Wolfe, S. Alberta Chapter  
Dieter Bartel, Manitoba Chapter, Secretary  
Robert McDowall, Manitoba Chapter, Newsletter Editor  
Bob Crites, Oregon Chapter, Secretary

D. Motions from Chapters

1. British Columbia Chapter

Motion #1

Move that Region XI support the reorganization of Society's council structure as it affects Energy & Technical Activities and Government Affairs Committees.  
Seconded by Manitoba Chapter.

Background Information:

The move from Education Council to Technology Council will allow the new "Technical & Government Activities Committee" to focus on technology transfer outreach programs to government and the public, and provide improved access to technical resources.

Fiscal Impact:

1. Reduction in transportation costs due to consolidation of two existing Society Standing General Committees.
2. None at Region or Chapter levels.

Discussion followed.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Inland Empire Chapter

Motion #1

Move that documentation concerning ASHRAE research grants be forwarded to appropriate Chapter membership and/or Chapter education chairman for use in recruitment, training and recognition.  
Seconded by Manitoba Chapter.

Background Information

Presently, the only knowledge of research grants issued and/or received is through excerpts from ASHRAE insights, or by word of mouth from the actual recipients, and/or those in Society associated with this function. Individual Chapters are most times not aware of funds distributed within their assigned boundaries.

8) NEW BUSINESS, continued

Access to detailed information concerning grants, such as specific contact personnel, address, phone, etc. would prove to be useful for potential recruitment of new members, promotion of student membership where such grants are to educational institutions, potential sources for chapter technical programs/presentations, and recognition by other chapter members and the community at large.

Discussion followed.

Motion pass unanimously.

Motion #2

Move that Society sponsor and/or participate in a televised national advertising campaign during National Engineers Week to promote the advancement of ASHRAE and the Engineering Profession.

Seconded by Manitoba Chapter.

Background information

The projected shortfall of engineering professionals especially in the area of HVAC particularly with the current emphasis in the public sector on Indoor Air Quality, the CFC issues and the like calls for engineering societies like ASHRAE to be pro-active in the promotion of the engineering profession.

National advertising can only aid in the promotion of ASHRAE as the leader in the HVAC industry, while addressing the need for additional engineering professionals in all branches.

This advertising should be done in cooperation with other engineering societies, but could be taken on by ASHRAE alone.

Discussion followed.

Motion defeated (1 in favor, 0 abstained, 11 opposed).

8) NEW BUSINESS, continued

Motion #3

Move that Society reinforce its public position on CFC's and make a concerted effort to establish ASHRAE in the public eye as the source of current information and the most appropriate body to establish standards and set criteria for training, certifications and the like.

Background Information

The present recognition level for ASHRAE among the general public is minimal at best. The present situations developing around the CFC and indoor air quality issues are close if not already beyond the point of reasonable control in the area of public disclosure and opinion. ASHRAE as the leader in the HVAC industry needs to conduct a publicity campaign of sorts to assure the general public that there are educated, well informed professionals addressing these problems and that someone is in fact concerned.

It is the Inland Empire Chapter's concern that the general public's view of the present state of affairs concerning these major issues is that technology put us here and now no one cares.

ASHRAE cares and is doing something about these issues. The only problem is that we aren't blowing our own horn. Let's let someone else know that we care.

Discussion followed.

Motion defeated (1 in favor, 0 abstained, 11 opposed).

3. Manitoba Chapter

Motion #1

Move that correspondence courses be offered for bulk purchase to Chapters at a reduced rate.

Seconded by Inland Empire Chapter.

Background Information

Chapters can be used as an effective tool in increasing awareness and sales of ASHRAE correspondence courses. The potential benefits include chapter continuing education activity.

Motion passed (10 in favor, 2 abstained, 0 opposed).

8) NEW BUSINESS, continued

Motion #2

Move that there be assigned a value of maximum allowable points per year to PAOE for ASHRAE produced PDS and/or correspondence courses and non-ASHRAE produced programs.

Seconded by Inland Empire Chapter.

Discussion followed.

Motion passed (11 in favor, 1 abstained, 0 opposed).

4. Puget Sound Chapter

Motion #1

Move that Society promote the requirements for specific Honors and Awards, so that individuals who are eligible for such awards may make themselves recognized to their chapter. This promotion could be through the Journal and/or Insights.

Seconded by Inland Empire Chapter.

Background Information

The present procedures of having the Chapters try to investigate the backgrounds of those individuals eligible for specific honors and awards is an enormous task for a large chapter. In many cases, these individuals are not actively involved with Chapter activities, yet may be very involved at Society level, on TC's etc. Other activities, such as teaching, research and community activities often go unrecognized by the Chapter Board of Governors.

Consequently, many people eligible for such awards go unrecognized.

Fiscal Impact

None, other than staff time for the notification and the space in the publication; this is purely a regional CRC benefit to recognize chapter members for their accomplishments who might otherwise be overlooked.

Much discussion followed.

Motion carried (3 in favor, 8 abstained, 1 opposed).

5. ALASKA CHAPTER

Motion #1

Move that Region X & XI hold a joint Chapters Regional Conference in 1995 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Seconded by Manitoba Chapter.

Background Information

Since the Regions were reorganized in 1979, Regions X & XI have held joint CRC's about every 5 years.

In Hawaii, room rates and air fares have been among the lowest in both Regions.

Hawaii has been a popular meeting place in the past and for that reason attendance should be high at any future meetings.

Fiscal Impact        None.

Discussion followed.

Motion passed unanimously.

8) OTHER NEW BUSINESS

1. The 1993 CRC will be in Anchorage, Alaska and the 1994 CRC will be in Edmonton, Alberta. Ralph Mattison advised that a new Regional Historian will help coordinate events in 1994, as that is the centennial year for ASHRAE. There was further discussion on the rotation of chapters hosting future CRCs.
2. Copies of the regional fund report were distributed to the delegates. Ralph Mattison advised it has a balance of \$1,718.73. No expenses have been deducted as yet. There is a pending expense of approximately \$200.00 for trophies. The funds are invoiced to each chapter and deposited in the bank upon receipt. Ralph explained that the policies and procedures are in the minutes of the Saskatoon CRC and that he will include a copy in the regional newsletter to the new Presidents and Presidents-elect of each chapter.
3. Alaska Chapter President, Brian Miller, expressed thanks to the Vancouver Island Chapter for the CRC and extended an invitation to all to attend the next CRC in Alaska in May, 1993.

8) OTHER NEW BUSINESS, continued

4. Regina Chapter President, Brian George, asked for an explanation for the CRC chapter registration fee of \$300.00. Cedric Trueman explained that it was done in this way to reduce the cost to the individual members and to thereby encourage them to attend the sessions. Inland Empire alternate, Steve Bloom, agreed with the concept but suggested it could have been presented in a better way. Ralph Mattison advised that the future CRC registration would be done differently and he would welcome any ideas to encourage people to attend.
5. Society President Don Rich thanked the Vancouver Island Chapter for being such gracious hosts. He congratulated all the delegates for their excellent participation in all the sessions and workshops.
6. Ralph Mattison and Frank Coda expressed thanks to the society officers, and to the delegates and alternates, for their participation and contribution to the CRC. He also thanked the Victoria Chapter members for their help in making it an excellent and highly successful meeting.
7. There being no further new business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. by Ralph Mattison.