



**American Institute of
Aeronautics and Astronautics**

Cape Canaveral Section
Council Meeting
January 18th, 2012

In Attendance:

Susie Allen-Sierpinski
Tristan Clouse
Robert Driscole
Bill MacDonald
Yvonne Parker
Luke Roberson

Matthew Zuk
Roelof Schuiling
Paul Sierpinski
David Fleming
Kyle Unfus

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by Susie Allen-Sierpinski.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 16th meeting, as written, was made by Matt and seconded by Paul. The motion carried unanimously

Susie announced the results of the electronic vote taken to use Gregory's as the venue for the E-Week banquet and begin planning. The motion was made by Paul and seconded by Tristan. The motion passed with nine ayes cast, zero nays, and five abstentions.

Susie reported that both Bill and Christian have stepped down from their respective positions. Yvonne was nominated by Matt as the RAC representative to succeed Bill and Paul seconded the nomination. Yvonne accepted and the nomination carried unanimously. Susie will contact Annie Caraccio regarding taking over for Christian in K-12 STEM.

The treasurer's report was submitted by Matt. A motion to receive the treasurer's report was made by Paul and seconded by Yvonne. The motion carried unanimously. Bill reminded Matt during the presentation of the report that CCTS dues of \$20 for one year or \$60 for five years are due. The council decided to opt for the \$20 option for this year and budget for the \$60 option next year.

Old Business

- Technical Conference – Luke presented to ISU and indicated to them our interest to team up with them on a conference to follow the July 6th and 7th TEDx event. Morning speakers (9:00 to 12:30) would be provided by TEDx and afternoon speakers (2:15 to 5:30) would be provided by AIAA and ISU. KSC Tours will be conducted on that Saturday from 12:00-5:30. Names for the tours are due two months prior and persons must be US Citizens. A proposal was made to collect a donation for attendance (approximately \$10) and have some or all of that money donated to the student branches.
- November Dinner Meeting - recap: Overall the group was disappointed with the speaker. He did not appear to be very well prepared, used the wrong presentation, and attempted to blame us for both. The presentation was very disjointed and disorganized. Dave reported that his students were

satisfied; however Kyle mentioned that a Northrop Grumman tech fellow in attendance felt the talk was very basic as compared to what he had expected. This sentiment was echoed by the council.

- Girl Scout/Boy Scout Event – recap : FIT has some lessons learned; mainly communicate early. Attendance was lower than they had hoped but there was great feedback from the parents. Tristan has a concern that the Girl Scouts may be eliminating the interest patches next year. There was a council interest in continuing to support the event next year.
- YP Holiday Event - recap: We held a YP event at the Melting Pot this past December. Five members and two non-members attended. The cost per person was fairly low since it was split seven ways. The feedback was positive, and since it was a free event for the section there is a good chance of using it again in the future.
- Newsletter: Susie wants one to come out in the near future to discuss our upcoming events and also include recaps of our past three events.
- E-Week Banquet: We are booking the banquet now that the vote has concluded. No deposit was necessary to secure the location. We are waiting on the contract to arrive. We originally inquired about the 23rd, but the location is already booked. The 21st is available and agreeable to the speaker so that is now the date that is being worked toward. IEEE – Canaveral has secured the speaker (Rod Blocksom) who will be presenting a talk on Amelia Earhart. Dinner will be a buffet with Prime Rib, Chicken Marsala, and Shrimp Alfredo as the main courses. As in past years, the money for the event will be going thru CCTS. The web page for registrations is being improved from last year's. Profits will be distributed between CCTS, AIAA, and the other sponsoring societies. The break even price for using Gregory's comes out to \$32 per person. Proposed price breakdown is: \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members, \$25 for students, and \$300 for a table of 8. IEEE will handle the speakers gift, we will take care of the nametags. The flier will be finalized and sent out on 1/19/12. As of now, three awards will be presented. Dinner is planned for 6:45 until 7:30.
- Region 2 Student Conference Status: Joe reports that planning is on track with the exception of the tour of KSC. Fundraising is at approximately \$8000. SpaceX will be hosting the lunch. We need to start pushing for judges very soon (possible newsletter topic). We will need both on-site and at-home judges. Currently, the planning is going off of an estimated 350 attendees.
- Science Fairs – February 4, 11, 18: Susie says thank you to those that volunteered. Susie, Matt, Yvonne, Charles, Paul, and Joe Bussenger will be judging for AIAA this year. All of the fairs are being held at Merritt Square Mall this year. Susie will be sending out an email with details as well as names and dates.
- TiCo Airshow: Susie asked Matt for details on how much it cost us last year to have a table. They are trying to charge us \$500 for this year. This seems high for us since we're a non-profit and not selling anything. Roelof will take the information that Matt provides and ask for the same arrangement again. The airshow is March 9th thru the 11th. Susie is ordering giveaways from National. A sub-committee will meet soon to begin discussing and planning for the airshow. Tristan took the action to set this up.
- Spring BBQ: A Cat III request is in for a professional/student interaction BBQ on April 14th. This event is intended as a reward for the student conference efforts. We have received \$425 from the Cat III region funds and will begin planning the details in the March timeframe.

New Business:

- CVD: Matt has asked to attend on behalf of the section this year. Kevin will also be attending. We believe that CVD is March 20th this year. Nominations were opened for the council representative. Luke nominated Matt, Dave seconded and Matt accepted. The nomination passed unanimously. The nomination period remains open and a second nomination will be addressed when interest is solicited in the upcoming newsletter.

Committee Reports:

- Susie: FIT Dinner Meeting flyer is out, but some modifications are in work and it will be re-sent shortly. Payment will be accepted at the door. Please RSVP by Sunday (1/22). The meeting will be held 1/24 and the presentation will be “Inventing the Joint Strike Fighter”.
- Tristan: Nothing to add
- Robert: Nothing to add
- Matt: Nothing to add
- Yvonne: Back in action now that Charles’s surgery is done. She sent the RAC report to Alan who presented it for us. He was very positive on our efforts and activities. There is approximately \$1000 dollars left in the region’s Cat III budget. Finally, there is a new AIAA website going live tomorrow.
- Dave: Received his faculty advisor award at the ASM. He also found out at the award banquet that we had a new Associate Fellow through a self-nomination. He also reported that Alan is running for re-election as the director of Region II. Professor Rusovici wants to have Dr. Inman from Penn State come and talk about smart structures. Luke asked Dave for information regarding the Lawrence Sperry award and expressed an interest in being nominated. The AIAA section membership award call for nominations is out, no nominations have been received yet however. Paul, Luke, and Matt volunteered to review award nominations.
- Kyle: Nothing to add for membership, but reported that he has accepted a job in St Augustine and will be moving soon. He will probably remain on the council and attend meetings via telecon since he will still be within the geographic limits of the section.
- Paul: Reminded the council that Karin Jameson, Director of Fleet Ballistic Missiles at CCAFS, had offered to get a presentation cleared by the Navy and Lockheed Martin for one of our meetings if we give her enough lead time.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 15th at 5:30pm