



Cape Canaveral Section  
Council Meeting  
February 13, 2013

In Attendance:

Chair: Tristan Clouse  
Vice Chair: Susie Allen-Sierpinski - via phone  
CCTS Rep: Bill Macdonald  
Treasurer: Matthew Zuk  
Member at Large: Tej Gupta

RAC Rep: Luke Roberson  
Webmaster: Paul Sierpinski - via phone  
FIT Rep: Gabrielle Leesman  
FIT Rep: Brock Hedlund  
YP: Annie Caraccio

Tristan Clouse called the meeting to order at 5:49 PM. Quorum was established.

January 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes:

After review of the Minutes, wording was changed in Old Business, Congressional Visits Day, March 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, Kevin might be registered. Also, in New Business, Member at Large, Second Line to read: Nine faculty members. A Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 13, 2013, Council Meeting, as Amended, was made by Matthew Zuk and seconded by Bill Macdonald. The Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Starting Balance was \$4,108.47, as of January 15, 2013. The Ending Balance is \$3,317.15 as of February 11, 2013. The Treasurer's Report is attached. The Motion to Receive the Treasurer's Report was made by Bill Macdonald and Seconded by Matthew Zuk. The Motion passed.

**Old Business**

- FIT Student Branch Dinner Meeting – Feb 5<sup>th</sup>  
The FIT Student Branch hosted a Dinner Meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup>. The Speaker was Greg Meholic speaking on the Subject: Advanced Space Propulsion Concepts for Interstellar Travel. Thirty-one attended (the 31 attendees included 17 students, 7 professional members and 7 non-members).
- Feb 21<sup>st</sup> E-Week Banquet  
AIAA Cape Canaveral Section will be Co-Hosting with the Canaveral Council of Technical Societies (CCTS) the Engineers Week Banquet on February 21<sup>st</sup>. This event is to be held at the Holiday Inn Melbourne-Viera Hotel & Conference Center in Viera (Wickham Road and I-95). Dr. Samuel Durrance, former Astronaut and current Faculty Member at FIT, will be the Speaker. The flyer on this has been sent out and reservations are needed by February 14<sup>th</sup>. PayPal is being used to make reservations.
- Brevard County Science Fairs  
The Brevard Mainland Science Fair (Merritt Square Mall) was held on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Winner was Matthew Booe. Dave Fleming and Pete Warren will judge the South Science Fair (Melbourne

Square Mall) this Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> and Annie Caraccio, Dick Orth, Yvonne Parker and Charles Parker are scheduled to judge the Intracoastal Science Fair (Merritt Square Mall) on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

- CVD March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>  
Kevin Simmons will be attending the Congressional Visits Day in Washington, DC, on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Annie Caraccio will also be attending that event.
- TICO Air Show March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>  
The contract for setting up a space at the Valiant Air Command, TICO Air Show, March 22<sup>n</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> will be sent to Tristan Clouse. Volunteers will be needed to staff the table there, probably 2 shifts per day. It was decided that the Section will purchase a 10' X 10' Event Tent from Amazon.com for around \$45. This money will be taken out of Membership Promotions, Line Item 30.0. Matthew Zuk will purchase the tent and it will be sent to Tristan.
- 2013/2014 CC Section Council  
The Nominating Committee has been formed and consists of Robert Driscoll, Chair, Matthew Zuk, Bill Macdonald; Hunt Culver and Tej Gupta. Hunt Culver expressed interest in the positions of Vice Chair and/or Webmaster. Kevin Simmons, being ineligible for Public Policy next year, requested to be nominated for Member at Large. Matthew Zuk was suggested for Chair, but he has not given his consent as yet. It is desired to have a Meeting of the Nominations Committee, at which time a number of people could be considered for positions on the Ballot. Nominees need to be turned in at the March Council Meeting and Ballots have to go out to the membership by April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- April Dinner Meeting/Speaker-  
The Contract has been signed for the April Dinner Meeting. It will be April 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Radisson Resort at the Port in Cape Canaveral. The Speaker will be Mr. Martin McClellan, ASRC Contractor to the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation. The Science Fair Winners will be invited to the meeting to receive their awards. The event flyer will be distributed soon. It was noted by Matthew Zuk that at the November 2012 Dinner Meeting, the Radisson Resort at the Port overcharged the Section \$300 for Bar Services. They mailed a refund check of \$300 to the name on the Contract, Susie Allen-Sierpinski, rather than to Matthew Zuk, as he had instructed them to do. Susie Allen-Sierpinski has not received the check. As a fee of \$35 would be charged to stop payment on the first refund check and issue a new check, Matthew Zuk is going to wait until the next Council Meeting to see if the original refund check shows up. Tristan Clouse will make arrangements for the Speaker's gift. PayPal will again be used for registration. Tristan Clouse suggested that we recognize those that have volunteered this year and e-mail a special request that they attend the Dinner Meeting so as to be recognized and to receive a Certificate of Appreciation.
- Sun n' Fun April 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> -Lakeland, FL  
Tristan Clouse has sent a message to Lori Bradner inquiring if they want to have an AIAA booth there. No response has been forthcoming and Tristan Clouse will send a further message to her.
- Possible Ordering of Items  
Tristan suggested that we have on hand some AIAA National – Logo Merchandise for door prizes at Membership or Young Professional events. This might include items like coffee mugs or key chains. However, after discussion it was determined that we did not have enough money in that

portion of the Budget this year to purchase these items. For now, the Section will rely on AIAA National items for give-aways. It may be possible to include other items of this sort in the budget next year.

## **New Business**

- **March YP Social – Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Annie Caraccio said that it is planned to have the March 5<sup>th</sup> Young Professionals Event at the Sand Bar Sports Grill in Cocoa Beach. It was also felt that it would be nice to have a visit to a Spring Training Baseball Event at the Viera Stadium; however, a date for this could not be settled upon. In April, it is planned to give the AIAA FIT Student Branch a tour of Kennedy Space Center (KSC), which would include visiting the physics lab and chemistry lab and it is currently scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>. If the AIAA ERAU Student Branch wishes to have a similar trip of KSC, have them contact her.
- **ERAU Student Branch Dinner Meeting – ERAU Campus Feb 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Tej Gupta set forth that the ERAU Student Branch will be hosting a Dinner Meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup> with Dr. Gene Austin, speaking on “Space Tourism: Moon, Mars & Beyond”. It will be held at the Henderson Welcome Center, Duva Banquet Hall at Embry-Riddle, starting at 6:00 PM. Dr. Austin is the former Program Manager of the X-33 Space Program.

- **Committee Reports**

- **FIT (Gabrielle Leesman)**

- They are trying to get a Question and Answer Session together for some of our FIT students to talk to professionals about the industry, how internships work and different things of that nature. They are extending an invitation to the Council Members to sit on the panel at this Question and Answer Session. It is planned for March 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM, Room 112, the large Auditorium on the First Floor, in the Crawford Building at FIT. Gabby requests RSVPs by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Several Council Members volunteered to attend. For the Engineers Week Banquet, FIT would like a Table for displaying their Design, Build, Fly Team projects. Bill Macdonald said that a table would be provided for that display.

- **Vice Chair (Susie Allen-Sierpinski)**

- No additional items

- **Webmaster (Paul Sierpinski)**

- Inquired as to whom should be sent the PayPal processing information. It was decided that this information will be sent to Tristan Clouse and Matthew Zuk.

- **RAC II Representative (Luke Roberson)**

- No additional items

- **FIT (Brock Hedlund)**

- No additional items

- **CCTS Representative (Bill Macdonald)**

- No additional items

- **Member at Large (Tej Gupta)**

No additional items

**Young Professionals (Annie Caraccio)**

No additional items

**Honors and Awards (Dave Fleming – via email)**

Dave stated that he will pass on all nominations received for the AIAA Cape Canaveral Section Outstanding Member Award to the selection committee. A decision will be made and an award plaque will be ordered. This award will be presented at the E-Week Banquet on Feb 21<sup>st</sup>. Dave also reported that the current head count for the E-Week Banquet is low (low 40s). RSVPs are needed by this Friday (15<sup>th</sup>).

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Matthew Zuk and Seconded by Luke Roberson and was passed at 6:49 PM.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at 5:30 PM.