

Minutes May 09th, 2017

Willowdale/Thornhill Chapter

Thornhill Community Centre, Activity Room B8

Thornhill Community Centre Branch, 7755 Bayview Avenue, Thornhill, ON L3T 4P1

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. – 8:00p.m. Meeting

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Observer	Nadya Tabachnik, EIT	nadya.tabachnik@gmail.com

1.0 Call to Order and Welcome by the Chair

- Meeting Called to order at 6:09 PM by Nick Shelton
- Roll call

2.0 Routine Business

- Approval of Agenda
 - Motion: To approve the agenda as distributed



- Moved: Mohinder Grover
- Seconded: Nanda Lwin
- Motion CARRIED

- Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes (April 11th, 2017):
 - Correction - page 2, 5.0 - the name "Carmana" should be "Caruana"
 - Motion to approve minutes as corrected
 - Moved: Nanda Lwin
 - Seconded: Mohinder Grover
 - Motion CARRIED

3.0 Chair's Report (Nick Shelton)

- The next East Central Congress meeting will be June 10th.

4.0 Treasurer's Report (Vimbai Munyukwi)

- The chapter bank balance as of today is \$40,506.17
- The chapter budget submittal for 2018 is due on June 30, 2017.

5.0 Committees Reports

- **Education (Rana Yekta)**
 - Motion: to increase the education scholarship fund from \$1500 to \$3500 for this year.
 - Moved: Rana Yekta
 - Seconded: Andrew Herbst
 - For: 8, Against: 1, Abstentions: 4
 - Motion Carried

- **Programs (Shayan Sepiani)**
 - Currently no speakers in the cue, looking for speakers
 - Andrew Herbst volunteered to speak at next event on subject of managing engineering with advanced work packaging. Will coordinate with Shayan Sepiani and Azin Aslani.
 - Additional speakers wanted

- **Government Liaison Program (GLP) (Fred Saghezchi)**
 - Andrew Herbst summarized the work so far with respect to the Take Your MPP to Work Program. There are three candidate firms that might be willing to act as hosts. It appears that direct visits to their offices is the best approach.
 - Fred Saghezchi said that the Future of Energy seminar was well attended.



- **License Presentation Ceremony (LPC) (Souhelia Bardakji)**
 - There are 37 license recipients on the WTPEO chapter list at present. This is enough to plan the LPC, and a tentative date is the third week in June subject to facility availability.
 - Polina Glick to contact MPPs to see if they can attend
 - Nanda Lwin to contact the Dean of Engineering at U of T as possible speaker
 - Nick Shelton will contact the regional councillor as possible attendee
 - Andrew Herbst to contact industrial accident survivor/speaker Spencer Beach as possible guest speaker

- **Electronic Media (Mohammad Horriyat)**
 - Nothing to report this month

- **Publications (Hamdy Elarabi)**
 - Can start on next publication now.
 - Need all committees to submit input.
 - Deadline for copy submittals is May 31
 - Each committee chair must contribute
 - Photos need captions and people identified

- **Awards (Mohinder Grover)**
 - At the AGM, Rana Yekta was given the Gordon M Sterling award for service
 - Mohinder Grover was given the Order of Honour Award

- **Engineer-in-Training/ License Assistance Program (EIT/LAP) (Amit Gupta for Maziyar Bolour)**
 - Observer at today's meeting was Nadya Tabachnik, EIT. Mohinder Grover is Nadya's guide (mentor).
 - Amit Gupta noted that the program is going well. There is a social networking event next month for EITs and guides.

6.0 Other Business and Roundtable

- Souhelia Bardakji brought today's food and beverages and queried the group who generally seemed to agree that it was an improvement over pizza.
- Tony Chiu noted that our website has become quite dated. It needs new photos, so a general appeal to everyone to provide them to Mohammad Horriyat



- Motion: to appoint Souheila Bardakji as acting Treasurer effective immediately (due to Vimbai Munyukwi's upcoming move out of WTPEO chapter's boundaries).
 - Moved: Nanda Lwin
 - Seconded: Mohinder Grover
 - Motion carried.

7.0 Motion: to adjourn

- Moved: Andrew Herbst
Seconded: Amit Gupta
- No debate, Motion CARRIED

Next meeting is on June 13th, 2017. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.