

SAVE Cascadia Chapter
Minutes of January 9, 2008 Meeting

The SAVE Cascadia Chapter meeting was held at the Rock Salt Café in Seattle, January 9, 2008 and attended by 11 chapter members. Gene Haba, outgoing president, called the meeting to order.

- The election results were discussed and Gene introduced the new Chapter officers for 2008-2209.
 - Steven Paget - President
 - Blane Long - Vice President
 - Andrea Ball – Secretary
 - John Langer – Treasurer
- The election committee was thanked preparing and getting the vote out. The election committee members were:
 - Harvey Childs
 - Hank Ball
 - John Langer
- Puget Sound Area Directors were then introduced.
 - Randy Barber
 - Tricia Butler
 - Rahul Nagalkar
 - Ken Smith
 - Gene Haba
 - Lori Brasse – Distant Director
- Following introductions, Steven Paget presided over the remainder of the meeting and began with an overview of past ideas and opened discussions of new goals and objectives of the chapter. Items discussed included frequency of meetings. After much discussion, it was decided that the monthly meeting format was the most desirous, settling on the second Wednesday of the month.
- A lengthily discussion ensued regarding the election process and the requirement of the bylaws. Confirm spring election pr bylaws that all elected members continue without a re-vote, change the director's time in position so that two members terms are staggered. Also, amend the by-laws to add the distant director. As there was a quorum of officers, the vote was taken and the directors terms were changed as follows:
 - Randy Barber and Tricia Butler will serve a 1-1/2 year term
 - Gene Haba will serve a 1-1/2 year term
 - Ken Smith and Rahul Nagalkar will serve 2-1/2 year term
 - Lori Brasse will serve a 2 year term
- Email list update ~ Hank Ball has the latest list which contains a few errors. Please forward any corrections to him for incorporation.

- Blane Long chapter webmaster discussed the new improved Cascadia Chapter website. We are still working on getting the .com suffix. Please forward any articles, links, etc. Thanks, Blane!
- Discussions then centered around championing the VE methodology at the Sate level. We all need to promote VE and it benefits to the legislature. There are now no requirements for reporting VE results. Need to develop a matrix that can be posted to the website, providing a vehicle for tabulating results for information and education to clients, potential clients and VE practioners. Gene Haba handed out a form to be used by study teams. This form is to be part of the implementation phase and forwarded to the webmaster for inclusion in the matrix.
- Future meeting locations, presentations, web/video meeting capabilities were all discussed. It was determined that 2-3 meetings per year would be hosted in Tacoma or other locations to allow attendance by members outside the Seattle area. It was decided that the next meeting would be held in Tacoma. Andrea Ball will organize the location and it will be posted to the website.
- John Langer, treasurer, presented the financial report. As of November 22, 2007 the chapter had \$2,805.50 in the checking account with no debt. Because the account is semi-dormant, the chapter gets statements every two months.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

John L. Langer