Minutes: ERA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday November 18, 2009
Start Time 6:30 PM CT

Attendees: Wes Grueninger, Henry Henke, Chris Thompson, Ronnie Charnes, Tom Barrett, Joe Bradish, Mike Schroeder, Ken Plourde, Daren Roggentien

1: Treasurers Report:
Chris Thompson reported all bills paid in full with a balance of $23,513.33

2: Membership Report:

- **a.** Tom Barrett reported as of 11/10/09 there are 434 members. There were 16 non renewals, of these 3 forgot about renewing, 3 phone numbers were not current, 2 would return a call, 7 times were bad and they were watching their spending.
- **b.** Tom informed attendees that he had purchased another business and he wouldn't have the time to do the membership directors job the way he feels it should be done. He would like someone else to step forward and take the position as director and he would stay on the committee. He will remain the director until another director is in place.
- **c.** A suggestion was made about contacting suppliers about sharing e-mail lists to contact prospective ERA members. Chris said he would contact some to see if this was a possibility.

3: ERA Trade Show:

- **a.** A conference call was had on 11/14/09 with the trade show committee and Polly. Seminars are in the planning stage. Polly thought that she may have to charge a fee to attend seminars at the ERA Trade Show.

4: Tech Committee Report

- **a.** Wes reported that the e-mail newsletter is up and running and has been well received. He informed that the hard part has been finished designing the format and that he would try to run 1 per month.
- **b.** Training videos are up and running. In the first few days there have been 62 videos watched.
- **c.** Tech committee asked for board approval to purchase a video camera to record training videos. Wes thought a good camera could be purchased for approximately $300.00

  Motion was made Joe Bradish to authorize the Tech committee to purchase a video camera for appoximately $300.00. Seconded by Henry Henke. All ayes motion carried
- **d.** Wes informed all that any tech article could become a training video.

e. Several members e-mail addresses were not current. Mike will have Darlene call these members to get current addresses.
f. Wes has se up automatic meeting notices.
g. Tech help line has been busy.

5: Engineering Form

There was no report on the engineering form.

6: Old Business:

a. Ken reported that the budget committee will meet in November to finalize the budget proposal for 2010. This will be presented to the board at the December meeting for approval.

7: New Business:

a. Wes informed the attendees that he been approached by Lester Catalogue about obtaining access to Prestolite Manual information. He informed that this could be done with CD with PDF files.
b. Motion was made by Henry Henke to approach Lester Catalogue about exchanging information on Prestolite Manuals for information on Kwikfinder. Seconded by Joe Bradish. All ayes motion carried.

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY DECEMBER16, 2009 @ 6:30 pm CT

Motion made by Ronnie Charnes to adjourn
Seconded by Henry Henke
Meeting adjourned @ 7:45

Respectfully submitted,
Daren Roggentien
Secretary