

Minutes: ERA Board of Directors Wednesday April 21, 2010

Start Time 6:30 PM CT

Attendees: Larry Hagemeister, Joe Bradish, Henry Henke, Ronnie Charnes, Tom Barrett, Mike Schroeder, Jim Thomas, Chris Thompson, Ken Plourde, Harald Koeber, Daren Roggentien

1: Treasurers Report:

Chris Thompson reported a balance of \$21,715.25 with all bills paid in full

2: Membership Report:

- a. Tom Barrett reported that as of 3/31/2010 there were 433 members
- b. Wes Grueninger has been sending Tom a list of people that had requested guest memberships.
Tom has been contacting them about joining the ERA.
- c. Tom is acquiring a list of rebuilders within a 150-200 mile radius of the ERA Trade Show. He is going to be contacting these rebuilders to make sure that they are aware of the ERA Show.
- d. Chris Thompson wanted to know if anyone has had any complaints on the dues increase.
Tom reported that he hasn't had any complaints.

3: Technical Committee Report:

- a. The technical committee is working on an article on 48 volt Leece Neville Alternators used on John Deere golf course mowers.
- b. Videos to be shown at the ERA Trade Show booth will be Web Site training Videos.
- c. Wes is preparing a newsletter for Polly to announce ERA Global in the ERE Newspaper.
- d. Wes is putting the finishing touches on the Jimco Generator Manual. He should have it finished by the end of April.
- e. Wes will have a Training Video on Denso slip ring collars ready after he finishes the Jimco Generator project.
- f. The technical committee felt that shop owners need to set up user names and passwords for employees to use the ERA Web Site. It was suggested that Larry have this in his Presidents Corner article in the ERE Newspaper.
- g. Tech phone line fees have been increasing.

Motion made by Joe Bradish to increase money paid to Bob Thomas for phone line expenses for current and future increases not to exceed \$50.00 per month.

Seconded by Henry Henke

All ayes motion carried.

4: ERA Trade Show:

- a. There will be a table with odd components, units, tools, etc. Anyone having any items to contribute are encouraged to bring these items with them to the show. If anyone is having questions about getting these items to the show please contact any board member.
- b. Hank has a 36" flat screen lined up for use in the ERA booth.
- c. Show seminars will be released in the next few days. Wes will send out a newsletter to members.

5: Old Business:

- a. Dennis from Lester has given Bob Thomas and Wes Grueninger a password and user name for Lester Kwikfinder in exchange for a membership to the ERA Web Site and a banner ad on the ERA Web Site. This will be an annual exchange.
- b. Dennis will also inquire about discounts for ERA members towards Kwikfinder online subscriptions. Chris Thompson will follow up on this.

6: New Business:

- a. The nominating committee has all the positions filled for elections to be had at ERA Trade Show annual meeting.

NEXT ERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY MAY 12,2010 @ 6:30 PM CT. THIS WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING TO FINALIZE ERA SHOW PREPARATION.

Motion to adjourn by Jim Thomas
Second by Ken Plourde
Meeting adjourned @ 8:00PM

Respectfully submitted,
Daren Roggentien
Secretary