

## **Minutes ERA Board of Directors Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.**

President Henry Henke called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm CDT.

**Attendees:** Art Glass, Alan Reynolds, Ronnie Charnes, Howie Gore, Henry Henke, Bob Thomas, Wes Grueninger, Gene Kaiser, Mike Schroeder, Mike Dietrich, Lynn Gross, Bill Ernst, Bill Skillings, Jerry Kieffer, Ken Plourde, Daren Roggentien.

### **1: Treasurers Report:**

- a. Mike Schroeder reported a balance of \$11,188.18 in the ERA checking account with all bills paid in full.
- b. Mike informed that the ERA opted to purchase a new computer for the ERA Office instead of paying the ransom fee to get rid of the virus that infected the old computer.

### **2: Membership Report:**

- a. Mike Schroeder reported that the ERA Office would be attempting to use the QuickBooks program to run the associations business instead of paying the \$600.00 plus fees to reinstall the association software. Mike added that with the computer problems there wouldn't be any membership information to report.

### **3: Technical/Training Committee Report:**

- a. Howie Gore reported that the Technical/Training Committee conference call was well attended with 8 members on the call.
- b. Howie informed that the committee discussed topics for seminars for the 2015 ERA Trade Show and that they plan on having the seminars set by the end of July or the first part of August.
- c. Howie informed attendees that Bob Thomas will be closing his shop at the end of the year and wouldn't be able to man the ERA Tech. Line as he has in the past therefore the ERA needs to come up with a plan for the Tech Line.
- d. Howie added that the committee discussed sources on where to obtain antique parts.

### **4: Exchange Newspaper Report:**

- a. Bob Thomas reported that the July issue of The Exchange Newspaper went out on time and they are working on the August issue and plan on having it out on time.



**5: ERA Trade Show Report:**

- a. Wes Grueninger reported that everything is running on time and contracts have been signed. Wes added that the ERA would have online registration available for the first time for the 2015 ERA Trade Show. The online registration will debut in August.

**6: Old Business:**

**a. Labels For Units: Henry Henke.**

- 1. Henry asked if anything was in the works for a label that states  
“ **START ONLY FROM THE SEAT**”  
“ **DO NOT JUMP START**”

After discussion Wes Grueninger informed that he would mock something together and post it on the ERA Web Site along with a questionnaire to find out if there would be interest in this label.

- 2. Wes commented that when the current labels were announced that they could be ordered online there have been 3 new orders. Mike Dietrich asked about possibly sending out samples? Bob Thomas thought that adding samples with the renewal notifications would be a good idea.

**7: New Business:**

- a. Bill Skillings informed attendees that an ERA Supplier Member has posted unit pricing on their web site which can be accessed by the general public that is the same price as they extend to rebuilders.

Ken Plourde added that there isn't much that could be done other than rebuilders that do business with this supplier voicing their opinion when they make purchases.

Being no further business a motion was made by Ronnie Charnes to adjourn the meeting. Ken Plourde made a second to the motion.  
All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm CDT.

**THE NEXT SCHEDULED ERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS  
SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2014 AT 6:30 PM CDT.**

Respectfully submitted.  
Daren Roggentien.  
Secretary.