

Minutes ERA Board of Directors October 18th, 2017

President Mike Dietrich called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm CDT.

Attendees: Art Glass, Alan Reynolds, Ronnie Charnes, Ken Plourde, Jessica Myers, Gene Kaiser, Michele Schroeder, Mike Schroeder, Tom Barrett, Kenny Turner, Ted Heywood, Mohammad Samii, Stephanie Schroeder, Jerry Kieffer, Mike Dietrich, John Prinvale, Mike Tweed, Bob Thomas, Howie Gore, Daren Roggentien.

1: Treasurers Report:

- a. Mike Schroeder presented a Profit and Loss Statement for the month of September 2017.
- b. Mike reported a balance of \$17,183.87 in the ERA Checking Account.

2: Membership Report:

- a. Michele Schroeder reported that for the period of January 2017 - September 2017 31 past members and new members have rejoined or joined as new members and breaks down as:
 - 2 - Suppliers
 - 24 - Rebuilders
 - 5 - New RebuildersMichele added that this has brought in \$7,260.00 to the ERA. Michele informed that this goes back 3 years and delinquent members that have not joined will be taken out of the system.
- b. Michele reported that at the end of August the ERA had 390 members and at the end of September 398 members.
- c. Michele reported that she is working on an ERA Member Trend Report that she will be implementing by January 2018.

3: Technical/Training Committee Report:

- a. Ken Plourde reported that the ERA Technical/Training Committee held a meeting on October 4, 2017. Ken informed attendees that the minutes can be viewed by ERA Board Members on the ERA Forums Web Site. Ken added that nothing has been added to the ERA Web Site do to ERA Web Site problems.
- b. Ken informed attendees that he has produced a second video and sent it to Helen for editing. Ken added that Helen is working on the first video he produced. Ken informed attendees that after Helen completes the video's she returns the video to the Technical/Training Committee for review before they are added to the ERA Web Site.

4: Exchange Magazine Report:

- a. Bob Thomas reported that he is finishing up the November issue of the Exchange Magazine.
- b. Bob informed attendees that he is working on an article on Bill Ernst's son passing for the Industry News section of the Exchange Magazine.

5: Exchange Magazine Advertising Report:

- a. Stephanie Schroeder reported that she is finishing the November issue of the Exchange Magazine. Stephanie added that she will be adding 2018 ERA Trade Show information as well as the 2018 ERA Trade Show schedule of events.

6: 2018 ERA Trade Show Report:

- a. Mike Dietrich reported that the 2018 ERA Trade Show Committee met on October 11th, 2017. Mike informed attendees that the Vendor Booth Fees were set up as well as the Rebuilder Registration Fee. Mike added that the Bundle Fee for Rebuilders will be \$15.00 higher for the 2018 ERA Trade Show but with the Schedule of Events it will be well worth the money. Mike informed attendees that He, Mike Schroder and Gene Kaiser had a conference call with Dr. Sai with Mobiltron/Regitar on their involvement for the 2018 ERA Trade Show. Gene Kaiser reported that the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce along with Regitar has negotiated a VIP Tour for the Hyundai Manufacturing Facility on Thursday April 12th, 2018. The tour is limited to 50 people. Gene informed attendees that Hyundai does not usually do a daytime tour on Thursday's. Gene reported that the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce will provide Charter Buses at no cost to the ERA for the Hyundai Tour. Gene informed attendees that Dr. Sai and the Mobiltron/Regitar Family has donated to the ERA a Saturday evening April 14th, 2018 Riverboat Dinner Cruise aboard the Harriot II Riverboat. The Cruise is 2 hours long and includes Dinner, Dining and Entertainment on all 3 levels and is exclusive for the ERA. The Riverboat Cruise is limited to 120 members of the ERA but Gene informed no one will be turned away. Mike Dietrich expressed his gratitude from all ERA Members for the generosity that the Mobiltron/Regitar Family has provided to make the 2018 ERA Trade Show a very special event.

7: ERA Web Site Report:

- a. Jessica Myers reported that with all the problems with the ERA Web Site she is making progress. Jessica informed attendees that the ERA had to purchase a new server and will be using Go-Daddy as a host. The Plug Code Program is in the final testing process and she go live in the next week.

8: Technical Advisor Report:

- a. Mohammad Samii reported that there has not been a lot going and he is receiving 5 - 6 calls per day. Mohammad informed attendees that some callers do not have computers and some claim they just do not have the time to research the information.

9: Old Business:

a. Global Subscriptions:

- 1: Tabled to November.

b. Plug Code Program:

- 1: Already discussed.

c. Exchange Magazine Online Subscriptions:

- 1: Tabled to November.

d. Online Video Contest Announcement:

- 1: Jessica Myers reported that the Video Contest is on the ERA Web Site.
- 2: Jessica reported that she has received a phone call from Mike Mackey that he will be sending a Video.
- 3: Jessica reported that she received information from Alan Melton on a Video but needed to contact him.

e. Exchange Magazine Video Contest Announcement:

- 1: Stephanie Schroeder reported that the announcement will be in the November issue of the Exchange Magazine.

10: New Business:

a. ERA South West Vice President Vacancy:

- 1: Ken Plourde reported that ERA South West Vice President Matt Wight has left IMI Performance Products. Ken reported that he had contacted Jack Isom at IMI and Jack did not think Matt was in the industry any longer. Ken informed attendees that Matt has not sent in a letter of resignation as is outlined in the ERA By-Laws. After discussion Mike Schroeder made a motion to remove Matt Wight as ERA South West Vice President as he is no longer with IMI which his ERA Membership was through. A second was made by Ronnie Charnes. All ayes. Motion approved. Ken informed attendees that there is 1 ½ years left on the term. Mike Dietrich will make some calls as well as notifying Larry Hagemeister as Larry is the Chairman for the ERA Nominating Committee for 2018. Bob Thomas commented that Mike should call Jim Richer with Richer Auto and Truck Electric to see if he would be interested in the position.

b. Honorary Member Position:

- 1:** Mike Dietrich reported that he had received a phone call from Rob Buksar questioning why he is not listed as an Honorary Member for the ERA. Rob informed that Polly Shea had made him an Honorary Member when she owned the Electrical Rebuilders Exchange before it was purchased by the Electrical Rebuilders Association. Ken Plourde read the ERA By-Laws on being an Honorary Member with the ERA. After discussion a decision was not made because of a lack of motion. Ken informed attendees that this matter can be brought back up at any time in the future for discussion.

c. 2018 ERA Budget Meeting:

- 1:** Ken Plourde informed attendees that a 2018 ERA Budget meeting needs to be set up for November 2017. Mike Dietrich will contact Mike Schroeder and set up a meeting for the ERA Budget Committee.

Being no further business a motion was made by Mike Schroeder to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Ken Plourde. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm CDT.

THE NEXT ERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 15TH, 2017 AT 6:30 PM CST.

Respectfully submitted.
Daren Roggentien.
Secretary.