

Minutes ERA Board of Directors May 16th, 2018

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

Attendees: Art Glass, Ronnie Charnes, Alan Reynolds, Al Steadman, Tom Barrett, Jerry Keiffer, Jim Richer, Jessica Myers, Mohammad Samii, John Prinvale, Mike Schroeder, Mike Dietrich, Bob Thomas, Paul Sillon, Bob Hopko, Larry Hagemeister, Ken Plourde, Stephanie Schroeder, Michele Schroeder, Ted Heywood, Daren Roggentien.

1: Treasurers Report:

- a. Mike Schroeder presented a Profit and Loss Statement for the month of April 2018.
- b. Mike reported a balance of \$14,070.99 in the ERA Checking Account.
- c. Mike informed attendees that a Profit and Loss Statement has been forwarded to the ERA Executive Board for the 2018 ERA Trade Show. Mike added that the final profit for the 2018 ERA Trade Show is still being updated as some of the invoicing from the Embassy Suites is in question. Mike reported that with the City of Montgomery providing Bus Transportation and the Sai Family and Regitar providing the Saturday evening Riverboat Dinner Cruise attributed to the profit for the Trade Show. This also attributed to the outstanding attendance by ERA Members. Mike Dietrich commented that a fantastic job was done by all Committee Members and Seminar Presenters.

2: Membership Report:

- a. Michele Schroeder reported the ERA has 375 current members. Michele added that there were 5 new Rebuilder Members and 1 new Supplier Member for the month.
- b. Michele informed attendees that she will be back calling expired members.

3: Technical/Training Committee Report:

- a. Ken Plourde reported that he received a lot of great comments on the Seminars and their Presenters at the 2018 ERA Trade Show. Ken thanked Mohammad Samii on the great job of setting up the Seminars for the 2018 ERA Trade Show.
- b. Ken reported that there will be new Technical Articles and Videos added to the ERA Web Site in the upcoming months. Ken reminded everyone that the Committee is always looking for new ideas for Technical Articles as well as Videos.
- c. Paul Sillon asked if any of the Seminars from the 2018 ERA Trade Show were videotaped. Mike Schroeder explained that videotaping could possibly take away from ERA Members attending the Trade Show.

4: Exchange Magazine Report:

- a. Bob Thomas reported that the May issue of the Exchange Magazine went out late due to the 2018 ERA Trade Show. Bob informed attendees that the June issue will be back on schedule.
- b. Bob reported that he had a 55 SI Delco Alternator that had a bad regulator. Bob informed attendees that no parts are available at this time.

5: Exchange Magazine Advertising Report:

- a. Stephanie Schroeder reported that she has received the material for the June issue of the Exchange Magazine and will have it to the printers by Monday.
- b. Paul Sillon informed attendees that he has spoken to Metropolitan Rebuilders on advertising in the Exchange Magazine. Paul reported that they would like to have the previous 2 months of the Exchange Magazine mailed to them. Paul will contact them on getting emailed copies sent to them and contact Michele.

6: 2018 ERA Trade Show Report:

- a. Mike Dietrich informed attendees that reports have been given and the monthly Agenda needs to be changed to 2019 ERA Trade Show Report.

7: ERA Web Site Report:

- a. Jessica Myers reported that the ERA Web Site has been running smooth with a few problems with Go-Daddy.
- b. Jessica informed attendees that there will be a lot of Technical Articles and Videos added in the next month.

8: Technical Advisor Report:

- a. Mohammad Samii reported that regular calls have been coming in. Mohammad added that some calls are somewhat disturbing as the questions can be answered on the ERA Web Site. Callers are asking where they can find this information.
- b. Mohammad reported that there have been calls with questions on the Seminars that he presented at the 2018 ERA Trade Show. Mohammad added that he plans on doing articles to cover these questions.
- c. A question was asked on doing Technical Articles on Hybrid Vehicles. Mohammad informed attendees that this possibly could be a Seminar Topic for the 2019 ERA Trade Show.
- d. A question was asked on doing Technical Articles on Start/Stop Technology. Mohammad informed attendees that he has no hands on experience with these systems at this time.

9: Old Business:

a. New ERA Web Site Section:

1: Mike Dietrich informed attendees that a motion was made and approved at the 2018 ERA Trade Show to add a section to the ERA Web Site of deceased ERA Members dating back to 2003 when the ERA Organization was formed. Mike Schroeder informed attendees that an Excel file could be generated and forwarded to ERA Members that could research the information. Mike Dietrich and Ronnie Charnes would like to have this list forwarded to them and also forward the list to Alan Melton. Discussion was had on developing a form for researches to fill out. Bob Thomas volunteered to develop a form to use. Discussion was had on developing a section on the ERA Web Site. Jessica and Stephanie will research adding the section to the ERA Web Site. A motion was made by Ken Plourde to table further discussion to the June ERA Board of Directors meeting. A second was made by Art Glass. All ayes. Motion approved.

10: New Business:

a. 2019 ERA Trade Show:

1: Mike Dietrich reported that the 2019 ERA Trade Show Committee will possibly hold their first meeting in June. Mike Schroeder added that the Conference Center has been confirmed and the Springfield area will have to be visited before much planning can take place.

b. Emails Attached to Articles:

1: Paul Sillon would like to have emails added to the ERA Members articles in the Exchange Magazine. Jessica informed that she could do this.

c. Industry Information:

1: Bob Thomas reported that BBB Industries has purchased Turbo Diesel and J&N will be opening a Distribution Center in Las Vegas. Bob added that this would be good information to add to the ERA Web Site as well as to the Exchange Magazine.

Being no further business a motion was made by Ken Plourde to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Art Glass. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm CT.

THE NEXT ERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 20TH, 2018 AT 6:30 PM CENTRAL TIME.

Respectfully submitted.
Daren Roggentien.
Secretary.