

Minutes ERA Board of Directors September 19th, 2018

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

Attendees: Ronnie Charnes, Jessica Myers, Art Glass, Bob Hopko, Alan Reynolds, Bill Ernst, Gene Kaiser, Stephanie Schroeder, Michele Schroeder, Mike Schroeder, John Prinvale, Kenny Turner, Bob Thomas, Mohammad Samii, Paul Sailon, Mike Dietrich, Ken Plourde, Ted Heywood, Dennis Jacinto, Daren Roggentien.

1: Treasurers Report:

- a. Mike Schroeder presented a Profit & Loss Statement for the month of August 2018.
- b. Mike reported a balance of \$4,650.84 in the ERA Checking Account. Mike added that the next month should be heavy with Membership renewals.

2: Membership Report:

- a. Michele Schroeder informed attendees that the ERA has a membership of 380 at the end of August. Michele added that there were 2 new Rebuilder Members and 1 new Supplier Member.
- b. Michele reported that she has made a lot of calls to delinquent members and has had 6 past members renew with one being from 2017.

3: Technical/Training Committee Report:

- a. Ken Plourde reported that the Technical/Training Committee has been working with the 2019 ERA Trade Show Committee on finalizing the schedule for the 2019 ERA Trade Show.
- b. Ken informed attendees that Bob Thomas and Mohammad Samii have continued to write exceptional articles for the Exchange Magazine and the ERA Web Site.
- c. Ken reported that he has sent a camera kit to Glen McLaughlin.
- d. Ken informed attendees that new videos will be added to the ERA Web Site when the problems are corrected.

4: Exchange Magazine Report:

- a. Bob Thomas reported that the October issue of the Exchange Magazine has been proofed and will be sent to the printer. Bob added that Members should receive their copy the first week of October.
- b. Bob informed attendees that he is running out of topics to do Technical Articles and would like input from ERA Members.
- c. Bob reported that he is doing research on a Technical Article on Delco IMS switches and is having problems gathering information.

5: Exchange Magazine Advertising Report:

- a. Stephanie Schroeder informed attendees that the advertising in the Exchange Magazine has remained the same with a lot of Classified Ads coming in.
- b. Paul Sillon asked if Metropolitan Distributors had contacted Stephanie on advertising. Stephanie informed that they have not. Paul informed that he would contact them on advertising as well as attending the 2019 ERA Trade Show.

6: 2019 ERA Trade Show Report:

- a. Mike Dietrich reported that the 2019 ERA Trade Show Committee had a meeting prior to the ERA Board of Directors meeting this evening. Mike added that the schedule for the 2019 ERA Trade Show is pretty much complete but is still being finalized.
- b. Mike informed attendees that the November issue of the Exchange Magazine will have a tentative schedule for the 2019 ERA Trade Show.
- c. Mike informed attendees that the Vendor Packets for the 2019 ERA Trade Show need to be sent out in November.

7: ERA Web Site Report:

- a. Jessica Myers reported that she has run into a wall getting the ERA Web Site problems corrected and Dustin with Whatcom Electric has been hired to assist in getting the problems corrected. Jessica added that the problems seem to be getting information transferred from the previous Server to Go-Daddy.
- b. Jessica informed attendees that the Forums and Plug Codes are up and running and everything else is a work in progress. Jessica added that PartRef is not working and she will be contacting Dennis and send him information on updating.

8: Technical Advisor Report:

- a. Mohammad Samii reported that most calls on the ERA Tech Line concern testing on Alternators. Mohammad informed attendees that some ERA Members do not have the proper equipment to do the testing. Mohammad added that he will be doing Seminars at the 2019 ERA Trade Show on testing from the calls that he has received.
- b. Mohammad reported that some calls from ERA Members are wondering where to buy parts for repairs.

9: Old Business:

- a. **New Web Site Section:**
 - 1: Tabled

10: New Business:

a. North Central Vice President:

- 1:** Mike Dietrich informed attendees that he has received an email from Bill Ernst informing that Bills role at WAI has changed drastically. Bill informed in the email that with this change he would have to resign his position on the ERA Board effective October 1st, 2018. Mike informed attendees that Bill has done a lot for the ERA organization and thanked him for his contributions. Mike added that the ERA is looking to fill the position of North Central Vice President and anyone that is interested needs to contact him or any other member on the ERA Executive Board.

b. Core Suppliers:

- 1:** Mohammad Samii questioned if anything is being done on contacting Core Suppliers. Ken Plourde informed attendees that he is compiling a list and will be forwarding it to Bob Hopko and Ronnie Charnes. Once the list is complete it will be forwarded to the ERA Office. Once the ERA Office receives the list correspondence will be sent out on 2019 ERA Trade Show information.

Being no further business a motion was made by Ken Plourde to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Ronnie Charnes. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm CT.

THE NEXT ERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 17TH, 2018 AT 6:30 PM CENTRAL TIME.

Respectfully submitted.
Daren Roggentien.
Secretary.