

SSPC – Southern California Chapter

Minutes of Steering Committee Meeting held: **Wednesday, December 7, 2005**
Mimi's Café, Monrovia, CA

In Attendance:

Jim Graham (Chair)	Corrosion Control Products
Pat Sweeney (Secretary)	CSI Services, Inc.
Phil Dooks	Metropolitan Water District
Kerry Saulet	Munters Moisture Control
Jim Spaulding	E.A. Wilcox
Dick Drisko	SSPC
Ben Remley	Techno Coatings, Inc.
Michael Damiano	SSPC

Next Meeting: To be announced

Jim Graham, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:40am. Six main topics were recorded as follows:

Item 1 – Board Transition

Jim Graham noted that this would be the last meeting of which he was Chairman. Jim thanked everyone for their hard work. The new board will be Pat Sweeney, Chairman; Jay Kranker, Vice-Chairman, Jim Bossardt, Treasurer; and Chuck Benesch, Secretary. A side from normal duties, Pat Sweeney will continue with the electronic announcements, and Jim Bossardt will act as Treasurer since his name is listed on the accounts.

Item 2 – Financial Status

Jay Kranker relayed through an e-mail that as of December 10 - our current financial information status is as follows:

Wells Fargo (CD) account balance October 30:	\$10,190.58
Wells Fargo (Checking) account balance November 30:	\$14,368.14
Total (combined) account balance:	\$24, 558.72

Item 3 – Scholarship

Pat Sweeney noted that we should make it a priority to implement the scholarship plan that we have been discussing in the past. Different items were noted as a means of distributing the money to students. Items such as Cal Poly and local trade schools were once again noted. Ben Remley noted that it would be good to use the scholarship as a means to help the local contractors' personnel. Pat Sweeney agreed and noted that our scholarships have not taken

off because we have focused on the universities and the trade schools, he noted that we should pursue the training of the contractor workers personnel as a means for them to not only develop individually, but also help our industry and network develop.

Item 4 – 2006 Sponsorship Request

Pat Sweeney committed to sending a sponsorship request by e-mail, but others in the group would need to follow-up with existing sponsors. We will likely not send a hard mailing this time around.

Item 5 – Future Meeting/Events

We postponed the Concrete meeting next month since the World of Concrete will be in Vegas that same month. We have rescheduled it to February 14. Jim Spaulding would confirm with the General Polymer Speaker. Ben Remley noted that he is the new contact for the classes to be held at Techno Coatings. The group emphasized that we need to throw in some more facility tours. Kerry Saulet noted that he has thinks tht qwe can get in with the Budweiser plant in Van Nuys. However, NACE will be holding their tour their next month. The list of events for 2006 are as follows:

Tuesday, February 14 – Concrete Topic with General Polymers
April 17-21, 2006 C1 and C2 Classes, plus PCS Exam, Anaheim, CA
Tuesday, May 9 - General Meeting – to be held in the Annexed Las Vegas
Tuesday, July 18 - General Meeting
Tuesday, September 19 - General Meeting
Friday, October 13, 3rd Annual SSPC Barbecue, Long Beach, CA

Item 6 – Michael Damiano Visit

Michael Damiano, SSPC Director of Product Development visited our committee to let us know what is happening at the corporate level. The following items were discussed:

- A) Speakers - Recommended two speakers for upcoming events. The first is the State of CA Speaker, Scott McAllister from the talk that was just given at the Northern California Chapter regarding the Bay Bridge. He also noted that Craig Miller may be able to give a talk about NAVSEA's ship coatings maintenance activities.

- B) New Training and Certification Programs – C11, Coating Concrete Inspection week long course. They are working on a (QP8) concrete coating application certification that will be focused on floor contractors. (QP6) metalizing contractors that actually certified personnel. They are also in the early stages of developing a

certification for commercial contractors, as driven by government base housing needs. They are also working towards a 3-day certification for bridge inspectors- much like the FHWA/FHI course. SSPC will not own it, but administer it. SSPC is also in the early stages of developing a wet-abrasive blasting standard.

- C) Misc – SSPC is looking for people to join the Standard Review Committee. These volunteers would typically only be required for e-mail reviews and comments.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am