

The General Committee meeting was held at the 2nd Annual Dixy Lee Ray Symposium on September 1st, 1999, in Washington DC.

Attendees:

Karen A Moore, Chair, EED, Conference Committee, Chair Hazardous Waste Committee
Tito Bonano, Secretary/Treasurer EED
Dick Blauvelt, Vice Chair, EED, Mixed Waste Committee, Chair Conference Committee
Steve Buckley, Pollution Controls Committee
Ernie Daman, Conference Committee, Honors and Awards Committee
Alan Moghissi, Conference Committee, Honors and Awards Committee, Chair Environmental Policy Committee
Al Young, Chair Environmental Communications Committee, Conference Committee
Margaret MacDonell
Raymond Bath
Mitch Erickson
Lauren Habegger

Location:

Washington Renaissance Hotel, Washington D.C.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM. The members of the General Committee who were unable to attend were noted:

Anibal Taboas, Past Chair EED, Honors and Awards Committee
Gary Benda, Chair Environmental Remediation Committee
John Steele, Chair Regulations and Standards Committee
Sheldon Meyer, Executive Committee
Paul Plotkowski, Pollution Prevention Committee

The present list of committees and the chairs was reviewed for all present. These are:

1. Environmental Policy Alan Moghissi, Chair
2. Environmental Communication Al Young, Chair
3. Mixed Waste Dick Blauvelt, Chair
4. Hazardous Waste Karen Moore, Chair
5. Environmental Remediation Gary Benda, Chair
6. Regulations and Standards John Steele, Chair
7. Pollution Controls Steve Buckley, Incoming Chair
8. Pollution Prevention Paul Plotkowski, Incoming Chair

9. Honors and Awards Anibal Taboas, Chair

10. Conference Committee Karen Moore, Chair

11. Executive Committee Karen Moore, Chair

- The Regulations and Standard Committee activities were reported by Tito Bonano. It was suggested that John Steele become familiar with the support available from the ASME Center for Research and Technology Development (CRTD). Karen Moore will get the information to John Steele. It was suggested that the similar efforts of the ASTM should be considered. John Steele will get that information from the ASTM.

- All committee chairs were reminded to send update information on their committees to Karen Moore for inclusion on the web page. Tito Bonano offered to help set up discussion groups on the EED web pages in the fall.

- The next Executive Committee meeting will be held Sept 14 at Argonne National Lab. Anibal Taboas will set up the meeting room and time.

- The Environmental Communications Committee will sponsor the Third Annual Dixie Lee Ray Symposium. The date was set for August 29 through August 31, 2000. The location was set for the Washington Convention Center and the Washington Renaissance Hotel. The committee members will work with the Institute for Regulatory Science (RSI) to set up the conference details. Al Young will be sending out a document through e-mail detailing the Symposium topics, brochure information, and the anticipated audience. The brochure information will be sent to Karen Moore and Sharon Jones (RSI) by Sept 22nd. Karen Moore will have the information put into the ASME calendar.

- Discussions were held on the issue of broadening the topics for the Symposium to include

- Methodology for Life Cycle Assessments

- Carbon Sequestration

- Recycling

Concern was expressed that each of these topics is for a different audience and might create confusion. The attendance goal is 200 participants. The conference must be useful enough for the attendees to justify the expense, and it must be international in scope. A decision was made to include these topics in conjunction with environmental communications but a separate brochure will be created for the carbon sequestration sessions.

- Discussions were held on the success of the Second Dixie Lee Ray Symposium. The symposium had 62 attendees and was considered very useful in clarifying the need for balanced information to be provided to policy makers on the important issue of CO₂ Utilization. The award ceremony to Clyde Frank was a great way to start the conference. The symposium was written up by the Electricity Daily (David Wojick). Karen Moore will follow through to get an article into the ASME newspaper and the web page. The EED is very

grateful to Ernie Daman, Alan Moghissi, and all the staff at Institute for Regulatory Science for bringing the idea into reality.

- The Honors and Awards Committee is seeking nominations for next year's Dixie Lee Ray award. Next year the award will go to an outstanding contributor in the field of environmental engineering from a non-technical field. All nominations must be submitted by Sept 30, 1999 to Anibal Tobaos. Karen Moore will request the ASME staff to mail out a postcard to all EED members calling for nominations. The Executive Committee will receive ballots by Nov 1, 1999.
- The EED received a request by the Indoor Air Quality Association for support by the EED. Alan Moghissi will serve as liaison to the organization. Karen Moore will send Alan the information on the upcoming conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM and all attendees were invited to attend a social hour sponsored by the EED.

Minutes by K.A. Moore 9/7/99