



The AusIMM Illawarra Branch Committee Meeting

**Room 124, Building 4, University of Wollongong
Wednesday, 26 August 2009, commencing at 5.30 pm**

Minutes

Item 1:

Attendance and Apologies

Present

Ray Tolhurst (Chairperson), Ernest Baafi, Kevin Marston, Colin Seaborn, Kate Lennox, Ben Dowling, Suzie Blom, Leah Gamble and Roderick Haselden.

Apologies

Chris Harvey and Ross Seedsman.

Item 2:

Minutes:

The minutes from the previous monthly meeting on Tuesday 28 July 2009 were moved to be accepted by R Tolhurst, and seconded by E Baafi, carried.

Item 3: Business Arising

- Christmas Function – C Seaborn.
- Presidents visit, Greg Chalmers was shown around the Science Centre.
- Food School dinner, numbers confirmed as 44, only 38 attendees.
- Scholarship winners were invited to dinner, 2 of 3 attended.
- Long Service certificates, hold over to Christmas function.
- Membership list circulated.
- Congress outcomes circulated.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

The current balance is \$29,429.06 as of the 26th August 2009, this includes a \$690 from the proceeds of the Presidential Dinner.

Cheques were made out for \$66.50 for R Tolhurst for Congress, \$1400 for S Blom registration costs for the Paris International Institute of Women in Engineering Conference, \$500 for Bossley Park High School for work done for the Mining Engineering focus for 2 unit HSC engineering science course, and \$300 to cover expenses for Monograph 12.

The Treasurer's Report was moved to be accepted by E Baafi, and seconded by C Seaborn, carried.

Item 5: Student Chapter Report

Student meets industry night was held in the last month with good attendance. The event also doubled as the student chapters AGM. Ben Dowling was voted president and Suzie Blom voted vice president.

The Illawarra Branch is also assisting Suzie Blom with the registration costs out the Paris International Institute of Women in Engineering Conference.

Activities for the remainder of the year include a football match with UNSW and an end of session BBQ. The mining games are held earlier next year and some fund raising activities are also being considered for the end of the year.

Item 6: General Business

6.1 Monograph 12

E Baafi provided a presentation on the final version of Monograph 12 ready to be sent to the printers. Chapters and indexing finished. Central services provided three options for the cover. The committee has left the decision of the cover to E Baafi, B Kininmonth and C Harvey. Angie Sprie has also left AusIMM.

- ACTION:**
- E Baafi to get entire final copies of Monograph 12 backed-up.
 - E Baafi to convene with B Kininmonth and C Harvey on cover for Monograph 12.
 - R Tolhurst to follow-up business plan for Monograph 12 following A Sprie's departure.

6.2 Under Black Skies

Beneath Black Skies Launch was held the night before the meeting. It was well attended. Stuart Saywell spoke on behalf of the AusIMM Illawarra Branch Heritage Sub-committee – many Illawarra AusIMM members acknowledged, especially Chris Harvey. It was agreed to purchase six copies for the branch, include one copy to be sent to head office.

- ACTION:**
- K Marston to purchase 6 copies of the DVD for the branch.
 - R Tolhurst to contact AusIMM publications, AIW and Blackwater International Coal Centre for marketing of the documentary.

6.3 Joint Canberra/Central West Branch Meeting

The venue has changed to Moss Vale Services Club. Attendees are meeting at the TAFE car park at 4:30, to leave at 4:45 to arrive at 6:00 for a 6:30pm start. Kate Lennox – Mining, Nick – Materials and Angela Marshal (Geology) are the UOW speakers. Judges are to be organised. 14 are expected to attend from the Illawarra branch. \$1,800 received from central services for the event.

6.4 Program for the remainder of the 2009

ACTION: - R Tolhurst and C Harvey to discuss after session.

6.5 Technical Session Cadia East Newcrest/Fluor

To be held March/April 2010.

6.6 Presidential Visit

Greg Chalmers wrote a letter of thanks to the Branch and offered to hold a Business Leaders lunch next year.

6.7 Paris Presentation

Suzie Blom thanked the Illawarra Branch for assistance in funding for her Paris presentation.

6.8 Mineral Heritage Sub-Committee

R Tolhurst tabled the minutes of the Mineral Heritage sub-committee.

6.9 Technical Presentation

R Tolhurst was presented with a certificate of appreciation by Northwest Queensland Branch for his technical presentation last month. R Tolhurst suggested we do the same for our presenters.

6.11 Next Meeting –Tuesday 22 September at Room 124, Building 4, University of Wollongong commencing at 5.30pm

ACTIONS LIST

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4. K Marston to purchase 6 copies of the DVD for the branch.
5. R Tolhurst to contact AusIMM publications, AIW and Blackwater International Coal Centre for marketing of the documentary.
6. R Tolhurst and C Harvey to discuss the program for the remainder of the year after session.

Minute Secretary – R Haselden
26/8/09