

**Midwest IEC
Board Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2019**

Present: Don Hulse, Gary Dykstra, JB Boender, Jeff Wiers
Absent: Mark Campbell, John Evorik
Others: Pam Evorik, Kevin McNulty

Minutes

The minutes from February were read.

<u>Motion</u> to approve Minutes	JB
<u>Second</u>	Jeff

ED Billing

Kevin presented his billing of February

<u>Motion</u> to approve billing	Gary
<u>Second</u>	Jeff

Old Business

State Licensing

Don sent a note to Rick. All other licenses in the State of Indiana are now under one board committee. Since the state has not had a state electrical license in the past, the next still will be to get electrical contractors under the current state licensing system. Efforts to address these issues were stymied in the past year or so when the Legislature announced they would create a universal license. Now, with all others under one body, efforts can proceed to include the electrical industry.

2018 Foundation Grant The board needs to complete one more piece to file our report with the Foundation on last year's grant. Jeff will make one last attempt to see if CES wants to sell us a megger. Otherwise, we will go forward with another vendor and complete the report which includes the megger device.

Equipment Grant

The deadline for this year's Equipment Grant is tomorrow, March 5. All instructors submitted their request. The board went over final selections and submitted lists to Kevin who will complete the grant proposal and submit to the Foundation tomorrow.

Associate Lead Don indicated he had recent contact with a rep of ExakTime. He believed the rep was from California. Kevin will contact them for membership.

National Office The board discussed a few personnel changes at National and its possible impact on our submission to expand territory. Gary was on a conference call recently and indicated that their staff a liaison was covering for the event person and was on a site visit in St. Louis. Kevin will call again to check status. Gary indicated that we could still reach out to contractors in Newton and Kankakee Country.

New business

Membership Meeting Board discussed the upcoming Membership meeting. Kevin demonstrated the new “Event Scheduler” software being used to invite contractors to meetings using Outlook.

Website/Members Only - Board reviewed the first design of an online Members Only section on the chapter website. They also discussed the use of the apprentice school application to collect data and pre-register school candidates - year round. There was a thorough discussion on “salting” and how to protect our companies and chapter from union infiltration. It was suggested that the best arrangement would be one that allows the chapter to take advantage of online data capturing without 1) not releasing the application to the entire market and 2) protecting any exposure we may have salting or legal actions.

The board directed Kevin to develop an online application that must be fill-out online and has security features. Applicants will still be required to register in person at the training center since other items are required. All applications submitted online will generate an email that sends the application directly to Pam with a copy to Kevin. The program will also include a response to the applicant with information about the program as is done currently. The goal will be to automate the system and capture data year-round.

When we received from the “MyElectricCareer.com, Kevin will direct them to fill out applications online. All responses will include our contact information for answering questions. Jeff asked if the name of the town could be included in prospect lists. Kevin will convert zip code city location when listing inquiries.

Treasurer’s Report

<u>Checkbook Balance</u>	\$33,834.17
<u>Raymond James Portfolio</u>	\$78,372.06

<u>Motion</u> to approve the treasurer’s report	Jeff
<u>Second</u>	JB

Dues outstanding includes:

Big Star, Mark, Voltage Systems, Lansing

Apprentice program

The board discussed National's initiatives to bring online training to the apprentice program. Don and Gary will be participating in the upcoming Digital Showcase webinar sponsored by National on how chapters are using online systems to train through the country.

There were not student issues to report currently. All but one apprentice is employed. Kevin reported that he made a further contract with Atlas Tube and will be visiting with them next week regarding apprentice Lucien Mathews.

Josh's wife is going to help Ryan Ferry with OSHA 10. Josh works for Ryan. Our older applications expired so that new ones will be purchased.

The schedule for hosting sign-up sessions in April was established and will be as follows

April 6	Pam and Don
April 13	Jeff
April 20	Gary
April 27	JB

No instructors have completed certification yet.

We will drug testing for four-year students next.

Pam says very few owe us for tuition to close out the year. Last payment is April.

Next Board set for April 1

Round Table

The Fly-in is in May
Convention 2-5 - October

Adjourn

Motion to approve	Jeff
Second	JB

Minutes: Respectfully submitted by Kevin McNulty on behalf of Jeff Wiers.