ASM Southern Connecticut Chapter
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Molto Bene, Ansonia, CT, September 3, 2015

Attendees: Ron Carun, Dick Chevalier, Jerry Clupper, Tom Doggart, Bob Klancko, George Muench, Nick Sopchak.
Unable to Attend: Peter Baumann, George Bradley, Jack Crane, Robert Guillemette, Phil House, Jim Michel, Bill Michels, Aldo Reti, Dan Rosenthal, Jim Steele.

THE NEXT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015 at 5:30 PM, at Molto Bene (Formerly John J. Sullivan’s and Rapp’s), (203) 735-6417, located at 557 Wakelee Ave., Ansonia (Exit 19, Rte 8).

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 PM by Chairman Tom Doggart. The Minutes of the June 11, 2015 Executive Committee Meeting was approved following a motion by Bob Klancko and a second by Nick Sopchak.

Treasurer’s Report:
- Treasurer George Muench presented his treasurer’s report essentially covering the three-month period from June 1st to August 31st.
- The Expenses were: a $140.00 check to Molto Bene for the June 11th board meeting. The total expenses = $140.00.
- The Income totaled $0.00, except for savings account interest, for the inactive 3 months.
- George reported that as of August 31st, the Total Chapter Assets equaled $14,482.01.
- A motion to accept the monthly treasurer’s report, made by B. Klancko and seconded by N. Sopchak, passed.

Communications:
- The Hartford ASM Chapter will hold its next technical dinner meeting on September 15th, at the Corner Pub in West Hartford, when they will feature a talk on: "Impact: The Dynamic Behavior of Materials". The speaker will be Dr. Kathryn A Dannemann, ASM Trustee, and Principal Engineer at Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, TX.
- The local SME chapter is seeking contact with us for joint meetings.
- On Oct. 1st, NHMA will have a breakfast meeting featuring a panel discussion on the topic: "The Global Impact on Manufacturing".

Attendance & Reception:
- No report since we had no meetings over the summer.

Arrangements and Program:
- We continued our discussion of several meeting options for this year’s technical meetings. We discussed a tour of Schick as well as of Nucor Steel Connecticut. We talked of various types of meetings involving SCSU: involving talks on bio-medical / materials topics, including a tour of their new science building.
- Their will be no September technical dinner meeting.
- For October we will try to schedule a tour / meeting at Central CT State University, in New Britain, with our board member, Dr. Peter Baumann, the head of their of their Engineering Dept.
- For November, we will try to arrange for a plant tour at Nucor or a bio-med company.
- For January we could join the blacksmith display arrangements being made at SCSU.
- For February or May we’ll try to have George Vander Voort.
- Our March meeting will be our annual joint meeting with the local chapter of NASF.
- Our April meeting will also involve our joint participation in CT Materials / Manufacturing Week with the New Haven Manufacturers Assoc. A tour of the new science building at SCSU might be the focus of this meeting.

Materials / Manufacturing Week:
- No formal report from this joint NHMA / ASM committee.

Awards:
- No report.

Education / Student Affairs:
- Bob Klancko discussed and reported on a series of technical education issues, including his attendance at a workforce enhancement committee meeting, the addition of biomedical subjects at Career high school, and the refurbishment progress of New Haven technical high schools in general. He also noted the efforts being made in West Haven to add career and technical education programs.

Historian:
- Bob K. again reminded us that we ought to acknowledge and note, or celebrate that this is the ASM Chapter's 95th year: 1920 - 2015.
- Bob K. reported that on October 8th there will be a meeting to award an historical Hall of Fame prize to historically significant materials manufacturing companies in CT. This is his second year of this awarding this prize. It will honor three companies in Bridgeport. He pointed out that Waterbury will be the focus next year.
- In support of a discussion of the reduced number of Chapter ASM members as well as the increased average ages of members, Bob brought a copy of our chapter's membership directories for 1974-75 and for 1996-97 (the last year we published one.). He passed these two brochures along to Tom Doggart for his 'historical' information.

Membership:
- Dick Chevalier noted that our official chapter membership dropped from 218 in February to 216 to July. He also repeated our need to attract younger members, especially since we have 127 members over 65 years old.

Publicity:
- Tom D. will handle the technical meeting notices / publicity for our October meeting, and will incorporate a skeleton calendar of our events for this year.

Website:
- Our ASM Chapter website is currently being updated by Orapin.

Old Business:
- None discussed.

New Business:
- None discussed.
- We agreed to meet on October 1st at Molto Bene Restaurant in Ansonia for our next official board meeting and made reservations accordingly.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.
Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Caron, Acting Secretary