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Society Of Broadcast Engineers
Chapter 59

Minutes of the January 13, 2011 Meeting

The January meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held January 13, 2011 at Zarda Barbeque; 11931 West 87th; Lenexa, Kansas. There were 20 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:05PM. Ben Weiss read the minutes of the December meeting and the treasury report. The motion to accept the minutes and the financial report was by Steve Hendrix and the second was by Chriss Scherer.

Chriss Scherer, chapter certification chairman, indicated that although the application deadline to apply for the February cert exams is closed, he can arrange to proctor an exam almost anytime an applicant is willing to take one. The next regular opportunity to take cert exams will be at the Spring NAB show April 12th. The deadline for applying is March 25th.

Scherer went on to say that a new course was released on the SBE University in early December. It covers audio processing and topics include loudness and the human ear, the basics of broadcast audio processing, the basics of gain control, limiting and clipping, adjusting a wideband processor for voice and multi-band processing.

Two Webinars by the SBE with a focus on networking technology for broadcast engineers are taking place March 3 and 24. Each webinar will last approximately two hours. Topics include TCP/IP and UDP fundamentals, IP addressing, sub-netting basics, an introduction to IPv6, switching fundamentals, VLAN use, routing fundamentals, quality of service (QoS) basics, and networking security concerns.

For every engineer who has ever been asked to plan his next outage, or knew intuitively that he really needed to budget a spare, the tutorial Mathematics of Reliability covers how to apply the statistical analysis of system availability to the design, operation, and budgeting of a broadcast facility. This live Webinar by SBE takes place at 2 p.m. ET on Jan. 20, 2011.

Chris Castro, chapter frequency coordinator, said that NFL game day coordination went well this past season.

Kirk Chestnut, Kansas City EAS chairman, indicated that there were no new EAS issues. Also Chestnut stated that the St Joseph operational area LP1 station (KFEQ) would begin initiating monthly required EAS tests. Previously, they have been forwarding the Kansas City area tests.

Chapter program chairman, John Gray, indicated that the February meeting program would be presented by Davicom Site Monitoring. Programs for the next few months are pending.

The motion to adjourn was by Chriss Scherer and the second by John Gray.

Bruce Robertson, business development manager, of Digital Alert Systems presented the program. He detailed CAP-EAS implementation and included details about what stations must do to comply with the new rules.

Submitted by:
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Secretary