Society Of Broadcast Engineers Chapter 59

Minutes of the February 10, 2011 Meeting

The February meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held February 10, 2011 at Zarda Barbeque; 11931 West $87^{\rm th}$; Lenexa, Kansas. There were 16 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:10PM. Ben Weiss read the minutes of the January meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was by Kit Peters and the second was by Chriss Scherer.

Kirk Chestnut, KC Area EAS Chairman, reported that the FCC plans a nation wide test of the EAS system some time later this year. Various means will be used to inform and educate the public in advance of the test. The White House has yet to determine the date but an attempt will be made to avoid high revenue periods. Non participating stations will not have to sign off during the test as they are required to do in times of real alerts. Regarding the new CAP requirements, Kirk stated that although FEMA has approved the CAP protocol, the FCC has not type accepted any equipment.

Chriss Scherer, chapter certification chairman, indicated that he can arrange to proctor an exam almost anytime an applicant is willing to take one. Due to the change in ownership of Radio Magazine Chriss is now working out of his home office so the venue for a proctored exam will have to be changed, perhaps to a local library. The next regular opportunity to take cert exams will be at the Spring NAB show April 12th. The deadline for applying is March 25th. Additionally, Chriss commented that the monthly meeting notice card will no longer be mailed to members. Adequate notice will be placed on the chapter's website and e-mail notices will go out at least two times prior to the meeting.

Chapter program chairman, John Gray, indicated that the program for the March meeting would be presented by Rhode and Schwartz and cover mobile DTV. The April program will be presented by Kit Peters and will cover security for IP based equipment. Due to the NAB meeting in Las Vegas, the April meeting will be shifted to April $21^{\rm st}$.

The motion to adjourn was by Kit and the second by Chriss.

Guy Fournier, regional sales manager, for Comlab presented the program. He detailed the Davicom series of site monitoring remote control systems.

Submitted by: Ben Weiss Secretary