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Society of Broadcast Engineers
Chapter 59

Minutes of the January 11, 2017 Meeting

The January meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held January 11, 2017 at Godfathers Pizza; 7002 Johnson Drive; Mission, Kansas. There were 11 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:22PM. He asked Ben Weiss, secretary/treasurer, to read the minutes of the December meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was by Robin Cross and the second by Ed Treese. The motion passed.

Kirk Chestnut, KC Metro EAS Chairman, remarked that several of us had recently missed the weekly EAS tests from the National Weather Service. Finally, a spokesman at the NWS admitted that one test was missed when the KID77 transmitter was off the air. Others tests may not have been received because the phone line link between the NWS Pleasant Hill office and the transmitter site was being upgraded from the old AT&T land line to a cellular digital service. Apparently they are aware of some problems that have been created.

John Gray, program chairman, indicated that he has some program possibilities in the works but nothing firm.

Chriss Scherer mentioned that the national SBE office has a list of members that are willing to travel to present programs.

Ron Rockrohr, chapter certification chairman, commented that certification exams will be given at the NAB convention April 25th and the deadline to register is March 17th.

There was a brief discussion about the pending change of the satellite that most broadcast networks use. The bird used for over 35 years, AMC8, has reached the end of its useful life and users are going to have to reposition their dishes to AMC18. The deadline is June 30th.

There was no old business.

The motion to adjourn was by Robin and the second by Kirk.

There was no formal program but a general discussion of engineering topics.

Submitted by:
Ben Weiss
Secretary/Treasurer