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Society of Broadcast Engineers
Chapter 59

Minutes of the November 8, 2017 Meeting

The November meeting of Chapter 59 of the Society of Broadcast Engineers was held November 8, 2017 at Godfathers Pizza; 7002 Johnson Drive; Mission, Kansas. There were 15 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:08PM. He asked Ben Weiss, secretary, to read the minutes of the October meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was by John Beck and the second by Steve Hendrix. The motion passed.

Kirk Chestnut, KC Metro EAS Chairman, remarked that all stations are required to fill out a new state response form with particular information about each station.

John Gray, program chairman, indicated that he has no programs lined up for the next several meetings. If anyone has an idea for a program or would like to present a program he would be interested in hearing from you.

Ron Rockrohr, chapter certification chairman, reminded us that the next window for taking exams is February 2-12, 2018 and the deadline for applying is December 31st.

Dave Buell reminded us that Tuesday November 14th is National Pickle Day.

John Sims, RF Specialties, told us of the recent passing of Larry Arnold, research & development staff engineer for Kintronics for over 18 years.

Mike Rogers mentioned recent problems with the National Weather Service weather radio system. Several of us had noticed a loud hum/buzz on the audio. The noise caused the Dasdec EAS decoder and maybe others difficulty decoding the weekly RWTs. The problems have been corrected.

Kirk mentioned that the ATC Wallace site had been broken into again. Workers working on the tower to install new antennas for the metro busses had a new rope that was rigged to 700ft removed. Security at the site was briefly discussed.

The motion to adjourn was by Kirk and the second by Ed Treese.

Greg Best, consultant, discussed the current spectrum changes in the Kansas City market regarding the TV repack.
Submitted by:
Ben Weiss
Secretary/Treasurer