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Society Of Broadcast Engineers Chapter 59

## Minutes of the December 9, 2010 Meeting

The December meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held December 9, 2010 at Don Chilito's; 7017 Johnson Drive; Mission, Kansas. There were 19 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:10PM and he asked Ben Weiss to read the treasury report and the minutes of the November meeting. The motion to accept the minutes and the financial report was by Chris Castro and the second was by John Gray.

Chapter program chairman, John Gray, indicated that the January meeting program would presented by RF Specialties & Digital Alert Systems.

Chris Castro, chapter frequency coordinator, stated that the Nascar Racing season went well for the Racing here in Kansas City and that the NFL game coordination is winding down but if the Chiefs make the playoffs it will be extended a bit more. Also he is waiting to see what will come out of the white space ruling from Congress.

Kirk Chestnut, metro area EAS chairman, updated us on EAS matters by saying that the modification of the Missouri State EAS Plan is on hold until clarification of Part 11 rules by the FCC. Lloyd Collins, State EAS Chairman, floated the idea that stations may want to band together in securing group rate discounts on the purchase of new CAP compliant EAS equipment. Questions may be directed to Lloyd at <a href="mailto:lloydc@regionalradio.com">lloydc@regionalradio.com</a>

Chriss Scherer, chapter certification chairman, noted that the February cert exams will be given February 4-14 and that the deadline for signing up is December  $31^{\rm st}$ . The April exams will be given April  $12^{\rm th}$  at the spring NAB convention. The deadline to sign up is March 25.

Regarding national SBE news, Scherer reported that the FCC had extended the deadline for the new CAP EAS compliance to September  $30^{\circ}$  2011. The FCC agreed with the SBE, NAB, MSTV, and almost all state broadcaster associations that the original 180 day deadline should be extended.

Finally Scherer remarked that the FCC Self-Inspection Checklist Webinar presented by Dennis Baldridge November  $18^{\rm th}$  is now available on demand at the SBE website.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was by John Beck and the second by Kirk Chestnut.

The program was presented by Greg Best and covered the practical uses of spectrum analyzers for radio and TV measurements.

Submitted by: Ben Weiss Secretary