

Society of Broadcast Engineers, Chapter 59

Minutes of the September 9, 2026, Meeting

On September 9, 2026, SBE Chapter 59 met at Streetcar Grill; 1580 Main Street; Kansas City, Missouri. Chriss Scherer, Chapter Treasurer, presided over the gathering of five members and two guests.

The meeting was called to order at 11:27 a.m. Meeting attendees had the opportunity to individually read the minutes of the August meeting upon arrival. A motion to accept the minutes was made by John Gray and seconded by Robin Cross, and was approved by acclamation.

Chriss Scherer, Treasurer, gave the financial report for August. John Gray proposed and Robin Cross seconded the motion to accept Scherer's report, which was approved by acclamation.

Chriss Scherer shared news from National (see sbe.org for details):

Upcoming webinars include: "Grant Writing for Engineers" on September 10 at 1 p.m. CT; "Setting Up a Secure Site" on September 24 at 1 p.m. CT; and "AM Directional Antennas: The Care and Feeding of AM Directional Facilities" on October 8 at 1 p.m. CT;

SBE Ennes Workshops will be held in Atlanta, GA, on September 26, and in Wichita, KS, on October 19;

The SBE National Meeting will be held in Middleton, WI, September 15 and 16. Officers and directors will be sworn in on September 16.

SBE Certification turned 50 in 2025, and Cert Connect continues. Scherer also advised people to register by September 18 to take a chapter certification exam in November. Private proctoring is also available;

The FCC released new rules intended to protect against cyber attacks. Broadcasters must be in compliance by September 29, 2026. The new rules apply to any device in the signal chain that is connected to the internet: EAS, automation systems, processors, STLs, RDS encoders, and transmitters. The rules are specific to: 1) password hygiene measures; 2) testing and installation of security patches and upgrades; and 3) remote access limitations via firewalls or "comparable network segmentation."

Programs Committee Chair John Gray said that no future programs have yet been arranged.

There was no old or new business.

Robin Cross proposed a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John Gray, and passed without objection at 11:33 a.m.

Following the meeting, attendees toured the Media Tech Museum at 1600 Baltimore Ave, Suite 102, in downtown Kansas City. The museum explores the history and impact of media technologies through exhibits, multimedia installations, and artifacts. Its wide and deep

collection includes both consumer and professional formats and hardware. The chapter covered the museum's entrance fees.

Submitted by Dave Buell, CEV
Secretary