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Society Of Broadcast Engineers  
Chapter 59

Minutes of the November 11, 2010 Meeting

The November meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held November 11, 2010 at the studios and offices of Entercom Communications; 7000 Squibb; Mission, Kansas. There were 14 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 12:02PM. Ben Weiss read the minutes of the October meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was by Robin Cross and the second was by Kit Peters.

Regarding EAS, Kirk Chestnut, Kansas City EAS chairman, reported there was nothing new. It was noted that several area stations had installed the new Sage digital Endec that is reported to be CAP ready. The fact that there had been some radio and TV commercials with EAS headers included was discussed. FCC rules forbid EAS tones of any kind to be used for anything other than actual alerts and test. It will be interesting to see if the FCC proceeds with any violation notices to any of the radio & TV stations that aired the commercials.

Chapter program chairman, John Gray, indicated that the December meeting program would be presented by Greg Best and highlight spectrum analyzer use 101. The January program will be presented by RF Specialties and Digital Alert Systems and focus on EAS CAP equipment.

Chriss Scherer, chapter certification chairman was absent but sent a statement that Ben read. Scherer indicated that the next window for taking cert exams would be February 4-14 and the application deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>. Regarding national SBE news Scherer reported that the national board met in Madison, WI at the end of October. One main item of business was dissolving the EAS Committee and creating the EAS Education Committee. Since CAP has been adopted, the SBE's best role in EAS moving forward is to inform and educate our members on EAS. The previous committee was too focused on creating the perfect public warning system well beyond the broadcast role of EAS. Now the new committee has a clearly defined focus.

The motion to adjourn was by Steve Hendrix and the second by Kit Peters.

The program was presented by Rick Sanders, of Benso, Inc. and gave lots of good information and ideas for facility HVAC and mechanical management.

Submitted by:  
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Secretary