



CHAPTER 122 SOCIETY OF BROADCAST ENGINEERS

March 2009

'Serving the Public through Quality Broadcast Engineering'

FEBRUARY CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting started at 12:27 PM with 8 persons present. Wes Boyd accepts the minutes for last month and John Clarke seconds.

Treasurers report. An approximate Savings Dividend of .35 cents is our only income. No Expenses. Wes Boyd accepts Treasurer's report and Jim Hartzler seconds.

Committee Reports. Certification, none. Frequency

Coordination, none.

Old Business, none

New Business, March program: Jim Hartzler has scheduled a visit from our SBE liaison. Jim Hartzler asks that the minutes reflect the passing of Rudy Recklies on February 05, 2009.

Wes Boyd motions to adjourn and John Clarke seconds. Meeting ends 12:32

Meeting & Program

Gary Liebisch. Regional Sales Manager -Eastern U.S. for Nautel and SBE Board Liaison to the Youngstown SBE chapter 122. Gary will tell us about the National SBE activities and answer any questions about SBE. Gary will also give us a program on "Sizing FM Transmitters for higher digital levels"

NAB

Are you planning to attend the NAB ? Look for the SBE booth in the South Hall, 2nd floor concourse, Lobby booth 27. If you attend the NAB be sure to stop and say Hello.

EDUCATION

The Baseball and Broadcast Heritage Museum is a new museum located in the Colonial Marketplace Arcade at 530 Euclid Avenue in downtown Cleveland. Most of you received an email last month regarding an open house on the 28th. If you did not have the opportunity to visit on that day you may want to stop in the next time you are in Cleveland. Check out www.wksu.org/news/story/22708

CERTIFICATION

2008 was a good year for certification and 2009 looks like it could do just as well. There were 432 new certifications and 284 re-certifications. There were 44 applications for Life Certifications. There are also 78 applications waiting for National level approval.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Annual SBE Membership Drive kicks off March 1, 2009 and runs through May 31, 2009. There is information in the February issue of "The Signal" about the membership drive.

JUST FOR FUN

Why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going?

Monthly meeting

The March meeting will take place at noon on March 12th. We will meet at the Youngstown Sports Grille on South Avenue in Boardman. Anyone with an interest in broadcast engineering is welcome to attend our meetings. Bring a friend! The meeting gathers around noon and the business meeting begins just after we order lunch.

Tower Light Outages

The number to call to report Tower Light Outages is 877-487-6867. The FCC requires you to only log outages. Be sure to have your tower registration number handy, your report needs to include time and date of the observed outage, when it was reported to the FCC and the initials of both the person reporting the outage and the person taking the report.

If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?

Chapter Officers for 2009

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Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

Certification Schedule

The SBE Certification Committee has established the following exam dates. Choose the exam period that is best for you. Contact Jim Hartzler if you want to schedule and exam.

Exam Date	Location	Application Deadline
April 21, 2009	NAB	April 1, 2009
June 5-15, 2009	Local Chpt	April 17, 2009
August 7-17, 2009	Local Chpt	June 5, 2009
Nov 6-16, 2009	Local Chpt	Sept. 18, 2009



EAS Test Schedule

Ohio:

March

3/5	1000	RWT	
3/11	0950	RWT	
3/20	1300	RWT	
3/25	0950	RMT	State Tornado ??
4/2	1730	RWT	
4/8	0450	RMT	

The LP1 in Ohio (Trumbull, Mahoning and Columbiana Counties is WMYX (98.9). The LP2 is WYSU (88.5)

Pennsylvania:

April

3/3	1:50PM	RWT
3/13	9:20AM	RWT
3/19	12:35AM	RMT (Via EMNET)
3/23	5:50PM	RWT
3/28	9:35AM	RWT (Weekend)

The Pennsylvania weekly test schedule is now at random times due to changes in the traffic Dept at WWGY.

The Monthly test times are

RMT Via EMNET *

The PA (Lawrence and Mercer Counties) LP1 is WWGY (95.1) and the LP2 is WAKZ (95.9)



DTV DEADLINE HAS MOVED TO JUNE 12, 2009

FCC Issues Nationwide Analog Shutoff Lists

The Federal Communications Commission has issued a Public Notice that provides lists of full-power television broadcast stations that have terminated their analog operations prior to February 17, 2009, and those that have notified the Commission that they intended to terminate analog operations on February 17, 2009.