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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

1. **Call to Order.** President Chris Nixon called to order the Executive Committee meeting in Building 22, Eglin AFB, FL, on Tuesday, 08 July at 12:00PM.
2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Minutes of the 10 June 2008 meeting were approved.
Members in attendance: Chris Nixon, Jeri Ghosh, Arissa Hodges, Buff Tibbetts, Michael Buck, Neil Christianson, Ron Higdon, Rob Crist, Doug Davis, Dale Bridges, Harry Strittmatter, Tim Swope.
3. **Reports:**
 - A. Treasurer – Buff Tibbetts reported the chapter has \$676.05 in checking and \$13,905.85 in money market account. We are waiting for a \$544.19 reimbursement check from nationals. Upon receipt of that check, that will bring checking total to about \$1,200.
 - B. Education Chair – Mike Buck reported scholarship info had been received and checks sent out to the schools of the awardees. There is about \$8,000 left in the scholarship fund after the six scholarship disbursements. Still waiting for scholarship monies from the C4ISR Symposium.
 - C. Membership Chair – Neil Christianson had no report.
 - D. Programs Chair – Donna Self sent email stating the Enlisted Club had been reserved for our next guest speaker luncheon on August 19 at 11:00AM. Col Arnold Bunch has agreed to be our guest speaker. A topic idea is needed for the luncheon. Dale Bridges took an action item to email Col. Bunch on luncheon topics.
 - E. Awards Chair – Harry Strittmatter reported there were no ITEA nominations for the first quarter. There will be nominations for the second quarter from the 53rd Wing and the 46th TS. It was noted that the Range Group needs the ITEA awards on their recurring schedule.
 - F. Symposium Chair – Mark Erickson was not in attendance. **SEEK EAGLE:** Jim Brock will be the Seek Eagle Symposium Chair. Seek Eagle decided on the theme “Full Spectrum Asymmetric Warfare Compatibility: A Joint Approach for Next-Generation Solutions”. Advertisements for the Seek Eagle Symposium should be in the September issue of the ITEA journal. The Call for Papers, which would include technical and policy issues, is the next issue to work out. The Symposium will be held at the Emerald Coast Convention Center. **T&E Conference:** General Eichhorn is only available to speak on Sept. 3rd or Sept. 4th. Buff Tibbetts took an action item to get with POC and inform Dale Bridges of best date. Dale Bridges took an action item to get with Col. Plumb and line up speakers. Several locations to hold the conference were discussed, with the Eglin Conference Center being the first choice, and the Base Theater being a back-up.
 - G. Publications Chair – Rob Crist stated that the quarterly award winners and T&E Forum information will be submitted to the ITEA Journal under Chapter News. After discussion, it was decided that the T&E Forum information should go into the Journal after it occurs due to a restriction on the number of attendees.
 - H. Election Chair – Tim Swope reported that 3 Board of Directors positions and 1 President Elect position needs to be filled for the upcoming year. Michael Buck, Dale Bridges, Tim Swope, and Chris Nixon will be members of the nomination committee. Chris Nixon will stay on the Executive Board as Symposium Chair and liaison to other groups wanting to partner with ITEA.

4. **Old Business:**

A. Chris Nixon and Arissa Hodges completed the Private Organization Letter and Recertification information for the Emerald Coast Chapter.

B. Chris Nixon proposed that we use \$9,000 from national scholarship fund and \$6,000 from local chapter funds to fulfill requirement for endowment OWC Foundation scholarship. The proposal was moved and seconded. The proposal needs to get the ITEA National Ways and Means Committee which meets on August 8, 2008.

5. **New Business:**

A. There was discussion on setting up a committee to organize and run the golf tournament for the Seek Eagle Symposium. Buff Tibbetts suggested that this "team" could be used to organize golf tournaments for all ITEA Symposiums. Chris Nixon took an action to put out a volunteer letter to gauge interest.

B. It was moved and seconded that the ITEA Executive Board meetings be moved to the first Tuesday of the month in order for Seek Eagle representatives to attend the meetings and give updates on Symposium planning progress.

C. The Air Armament Symposium will be October 7-8th. More info TBD.

Next Board of Directors Meeting: Tuesday, 05 Aug 08, in Bldg 22, Room 107 conference room. The meeting will be at 12:00 PM.

6. The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Arissa Hodges, ITEA ECC Secretary