

**Buffalo Section Board of Directors Meeting  
November 11, 2008, 2008**

**Attendees:** Jim Bates, Kevin Burke, Jennifer Zirnheld, Norm Schweitzer, Doug Hopkins, Chris Mierzwa, Ashish Shah, Tom Heckmann, Kent Roberts, Pete Capelli, Judy Moskal

**Minutes of last meeting:** Phil moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded by Norm.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ashish reported for Kent. Jennifer asked that the report be e-mailed to us. Kevin moved to reiterate the approval of the motion to approve \$286 for Chris' expenses for the Sections Congress. Seconded by Tom. Approved

**Committee Reports**

**Program and Arrangements** Norm reported that we had two members at the October meeting. Question: How do we pay our share of the speaker's expense? Norm expects the expenses to be about \$287.69. On November 20th Chris will have a meeting about the Canadian Power Tunnel Project at Chef's.

Judy is planning a meeting on Fiber Optics for December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Norm proposed a speaker on Digital TV for January.

Student Night is in February.

WIVB antenna swap possibly for April

Ashish proposed a meeting on MRI compatible devices.

**TSC** Chris reported that there is no speaker yet for the March Dinner meeting. **BEAM** Be Amazing Race at the end of May. Promoters need seed money of \$15,000. TSC has committed to match up to \$3750 of any monies member societies put up. Money will be refunded if it becomes a no go. Kevin wondered if maybe we should go directly to BEAM. Tom said that BEAM has a good record. Kevin suggested that this makes a statement that we support students. Kevin moved that we pledge \$500 to the BEAM TREK Project if and when TSC decides to match funds and make payment to the project. Seconded by Phil. Motion Passed.

**Student Chapters** Jennifer reported that Alfred is now aligned with Rochester.

**Old Business** Judy reported that Mary is poised to go forward with her proposal to run a training course for Patent Reviewers. The Board decided to wait until Mary can present the details herself.

Nominations for Officers for 2009

Chairman Thomas M. Heckmann

Vice Chairman R. Kent Roberts

Treasurer Ashish Shah

Secretary Peter J. Capelli

Judy Moved that the Board nominates the slate as presented. Seconded by Norm. Passed.

**Next meeting is Tues December 9, 2008 at 6pm at 332F Bonner.**