

Piedmont Section – AATCC Officer’s Meeting

April 18, 2012

A meeting of the Piedmont Section was conducted at the DyStar offices in Charlotte, NC. Officers present included Billy Gardner, Gary Lickfield, Kevin Jenkinson and Len Farias. Conferencing by telephone were Ann Laidlaw and Freddy Miller. The meeting was opened by Kevin Jenkinson, chair at 5:15 PM.

Treasurer’s Report

Billy Gardner, Treasurer, reviewed the financial statements for the section. The section is in good financial shape at this time. Investments have been increasing by a rate of 7%.

Scholarships

The student recipients for scholarships for the fall 2012 were reviewed. A question was raised about the current requirement for student residency. The current requirement states that the student must have permanent residence in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. The schools include North Carolina State University, Clemson University, Virginia Tech and Radford University. There was extensive discussion about residency requirements. The discussion included that the student need to be an AATCC student member in order to apply for a Piedmont Section or a Charles H. Stone scholarship.

A motion was made to require students applying for a Piedmont Section scholarship or Charles H. Stone scholarship be an active student member of AATCC by Len Farias. The motion was seconded by Gary Lickfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to allow students attending either one of the four universities in the Piedmont Section be allowed to apply for a scholarship not requiring permanent residency in the Piedmont Section. Motion was made by Kevin Jenkinson and a second by Gary Lickfield. The motion was unanimously approved.

Technical Program

There was a brief review of the survey taken for the technical meeting in October 2011. Survey results were very favorable with positive comments.

There was discussion about a future technical program that might include a tour of BMW along with two or three technical papers. This would be a one-day program including a social. Kevin Jenkinson will follow up to check on availability and particulars related to a tour of BMW. An additional meeting place suggested is the North Carolina Center for Applied Technology in Belmont, NC. The officers feel that a facility tour might encourage greater attendance for the next program.

Adjournment

The officers meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM. Motion to adjourn made by Len Farias. Second was made by Gary Lickfield.

Respectively submitted,

Len Farias,

Secretary, Piedmont Section