THE LEEDS ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 5th September 2013 at Headingley Golf Club

- 1. **Attendance.** A. Kibler (President) in the chair with J. Shergill, J. Aldersley, B. Yates, M. Murray, I. Scholes, A. Rogers, J. Bentley, K. Hegarty, J. McClarty and I. Blakeley.
- 2. Apologies for absence. G. Toulson.
- 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, dated 9th May 2013 were read, approved & signed.
- 4. **Matters Arising.** Mr. Hegarty pointed out that that the gentleman who ran the 2013 golf tournament is called Steve Stacey not Kevin Stacey as his name appears in the May 2013 minutes. Mr Scholes said he was not asked to produce the programme card, this was because we are having difficulty filling all the slots so we are unable to commit to print.
- 5. **Treasurers Report.** Mr. Bentley reported the following financial transactions since our last council meeting. Whilst the balance of our accounts is always reported at the council meetings we no longer publish this information (because council minutes go on the website).

Transactions between 20th May 2013 and 23rd August 2013

Credits: -		
Dividends	-	£41.55
T. Aston (Golf)	-	£160.00
Craftsman Tools (Golf)	-	£100.00
C. Burgess (Golf)	-	£40.00
Cash (from Golf Day)	-	£500.00
Subscriptions	-	£55.00

Mitchell Fox (Golf) - £1580.00

Payments: -

Wetherby Golf Club - £2832.00

He concluded by saying that payments of £495.00 and £40.00 are still due to be paid into the golf account and reminded us that the meeting rooms at both the Corner House Club and the Lecture venue at Cleckheaton need to be booked and paid for.

£2476.55

6. **Annual Church Service.** Mr. Shergill read the lesson this year. The service was attended by only seven of our members including their partners, which was disappointing. The possibility of placing a plaque or a commemorative stone in church was discussed with the vicar. He said he was quite favourable but of course permission would have to be sought from the Diocese, we discussed the possibility of getting something made in Yorkshire stone. Mr. Kibler will contact the vicar to find out how we proceed.

Total Credits

- 7. **Correspondence.** We have not received any letters of any importance but Mr. Rogers reported he had contacted Michael Armstrong with a view to him attending this meeting. Michael is now struggling to get around the house using a Zimmer Frame and no longer has the confidence to venture further after dark. Mr Rogers said he and Mr. Yates would go and visit him.
- 8. **Journal.** Mr. Bentley said he had gathered a good deal of information, but it is a time consuming job. We discussed why a journal is needed and decided it is really a historical document. We felt that it would be very difficult to get sponsors in return for advertising because circulation is so limited. We need to discuss this further at a later date.

- 9. **Current Programme.** We have had difficulty getting both lectures and visits for this session, indeed we have nothing booked for September at the moment. Mr. Kibler handed out a sheet of possibilities but at present some of these are subject to confirmation. We agreed to pay £150 for a theatre at Leeds University to host the lecture on the Water Speed Record Challenge, this will also require us to make a donation to the challenge fund. It was agreed that £200 would be an appropriate amount, we will also have to cover the lecturers expenses (possible an overnight stay). It was suggested that we may be able to get a lecture theatre free of charge within the Civil Engineering Block but we felt because time is so short we needed to book a theatre immediately rather than rely on favours. Mr. Kibler will contact the university and ask them to advertise the lecture on the intranet. Mr. Murray will speak to Bradtool to confirm a factory visit on the 28th November and Mr. Yates will deliver a lecture "Zero Point Energy" on the 30th January 2014. Mr. Kibler will try persuading Andrew McMahon to give us a lecture on Computer Software in industry.
- 10. **Membership.** Mr. Kibler hopeful of getting Andrew McMahon to become a member.
- 11. **Next Session.** Nothing to report.

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- 12. **Website.** We need to ask Mr. Toulson if it is possible to redirect mail from a Council Members title email address to their personnel email address.
- 13. **Golf.** Mr. Hegarty said that after this year we should make arrangements to insure the golf trophy (from June 2014).
- 14. **Annual Dinner.** Next years annual dinner will be held on the 9th May, we agreed to continue to invite the Lord Mayor of Leeds.

Any other Business . Mr. Kibler asked council members to provide him with the name of any
engineering company they know within close proximity of Leeds. He intends writing a standard
letter and circulating it to them, inviting them to come and join us. Having no other business Mr.
Kibler closed the meeting.

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