2010 Fall Conference
Houston, TX

Educational Publications Committee
9 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Tuesday, 16 November 2010

Minutes

Attendance: Bruce Crouse, Nat Faransso, Huidong Gao, Tim Jones, Cindi Leeman, George Matzkanin, Matthew Patience, Mark Pompe, Mary Potter, Mark Sabolik, Ken Starry, Carly Williams

I. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by George Matzkanin.

II. Matzkanin suggested that because the chair of this committee, Thom Schafer, has not been in contact with ASNT in over a year, it might be necessary to elect a new committee chair. After discussion, he opened to floor to nominations. Mark Pompe was nominated by Ken Starry; George Matzkanin was nominated by Nat Faransso. Matzkanin declined the nomination due to his duties as Director of the T&E Council.

Pompe was unanimously elected. Matzkanin turned the meeting over the Pompe.

III. The minutes of the 2010 Spring Conference were approved.

IV. Cindi Leeman presented the following products printed since March 2010:
   • Supplement to Recommended Practice SNT-TC-1A (Q&A Book): Radiographic Testing Method
   • The MFL Compendium: Articles on Magnetic Flux Leakage
   • Nonrelevant & False Indications
   • ASNT Fall Conference Paper Summaries CD-ROM
   • NDE/NDT for Highways and Bridges: Structural Materials Technology Paper Summary CD-ROM
   •ILL-PQ-2005 (2010)

V. Status Report: Method Committee Approval CP-105 References
Leeman reported that ASNT staff has a procedure where they contact Methods Committee chairs and ask them to add new ASNT publications to their reference lists for CP-105. Leeman stated that when looking at the draft of CP-105, it looked as if the procedure was working. Matthew Patience reported that the references throughout CP-105 had been updated and looked current.

VI. Old Business
   • Update Works in Progress
     • Materials and Processes – Leeman reported that because ASNT determined it will not be possible to update Materials and Process with volunteers only, staff wrote a formal Call for Authors. Three proposals were received, though not all of them are complete. It is expected that staff will make a selection after Fall Conference.
     • Leeman highlighted several of the books listed on the attached Project Status Report.
• Five-year Plan

  Tim Jones reported that one of the roles of this committee is to develop a five-year plan, setting goals and projecting future activities for the committee. The plan should include a schedule of new documents, a revision schedule of existing books and recommend new products. This was started with the previous committee chair, but was not finalized. Jones also pointed out that the plan should not be static, with the opportunity to update and revise the direction of the committee as necessary.

  During discussion, products covering the following topics were recommended: time of flight diffraction, phased array (either with TOFD or separate), AUT (either separate or combined with phased array and TOFD), vibration analysis Level II and Level III books, thickness gaging and A-scan Level II book (combined), a book of technical definitions, special techniques in radiography, lasers and remote visual inspection.

• Approval of Proposed Book Outlines – Leeman reported that Bob Conklin continues to have difficulty getting Committee approval of book outlines. Jones added that the main purpose is to be sure the book outline makes sense and seems appropriate for an ASNT product. A technical knowledge of the subject is not necessary. After discussion, it was agreed staff will give an appropriate deadline for response, with e-mail reminder halfway through the review process.

VII. New Business

• Expert Training System Products – Karta

  Leeman and Jones reported that Karta had been selling a training program on CD that used ASNT's copyrighted Questions & Answers Books. After a great deal of research staff could not determine who, if anyone, had given the company permission. During staff research into how to proceed, the company that purchased Karta stopped selling the products.

  Jones asked if it was the type of product that ASNT should create. After discussion, it was agreed that ASNT should look into producing a similar product. Crouse stated that allowing the user to generate his own questions in addition to using the data bank would be a nice feature. Starry suggested that keeping this type of product online with the option to purchase short-term access, such as a few months, would be a nice option. He also suggested that if the product was online, it might make updating it often an option. After discussion, it was agreed to add this type of product to the Committee's five-year plan.

VIII. There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. (Starry, Crouse)