

**Minutes of the April 8, 2002 Business Meeting
of the
Central States Section – The Combustion Institute**

1. **Time and Location:** The meeting was held from approximately 12:45 to 1:15 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Knoxville in Knoxville, Tennessee.
2. **Election of Treasurer:** Dennis Stocker noted that Roy Primus had moved out of the Central States Section's geographic area to take a position with General Electric in New York, thus was no longer eligible to serve as treasurer. Stocker noted that Tom Briggs (Caterpillar) had been asked to serve in the interim between Primus' departure and the Knoxville meeting, and announced that the Board wished to bring Briggs forward as a candidate for the permanent treasurer of the section. Ken Brezinsky nominated and L. D. Chen seconded Briggs' nomination for treasurer. Briggs was elected unanimously.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Tom Briggs summarized the financial status of the Section. There was an inflow of approximately \$11,000 last year and an outflow of about \$1000. The present total assets of the Section are about \$44,000, which Briggs noted was a good cushion for the increased risk of the Section's upcoming Chicago Joint Meeting. Briggs stated that current indications are that the Knoxville meeting will "come out in the black."
4. **Board Member Nominations:** Jay Gore announced that the Board of the Section was putting forward the following names as candidates for Board membership: David Reuss of GM (to serve a second term), Dike Ezekoye of UT Austin, Robert Hancock of Wright Patterson AFB, Indrek Wichman of Michigan State University, Margaret Wooldridge of the University of Michigan, Steve Wooldridge of Ford, and Wayne Eckerle of Cummins. Gore reminded the Section members that the expectation is that Board members attend at least half of the meetings, and that a member missing a third consecutive meeting would be asked to resign from the Board. Gore also introduced the officers of the Section. There were no further nominations from the floor for Board membership. Following a motion by Norm Laurendeau and a second by Gerry Faeth, the slate of candidates put forward by the Board was elected unanimously.
5. **Upcoming Meetings:** Dennis Stocker announced that the Section's next meeting will be the 3rd Joint Meeting of the U.S. Sections in Chicago on March 16 – 19, 2003. The University of Illinois at Chicago will host this meeting. Stocker noted that UIC is also hosting the International Symposium in Chicago in July 2004. The CSS Spring Technical Meeting in 2004 will be organized by Dike Ezekoye and hosted by the University of Texas in Austin. The second round of joint national meetings will likely begin in 2005, thus there will not be a CSS meeting that year. Stocker asked the Section membership for a show of hands in support of continuing the joint meetings. An overwhelming majority of those present did indicate their support of continued joint meetings. Stocker stated that the Section's Oversight Committee would pursue future joint meetings at the International Symposium in Sapporo. Jay Gore announced that the Section had tentatively decided to hold the 2006 meeting

in Cleveland, to be hosted by Case Western Reserve University and NASA Glenn's Microgravity Center.

- 6. Other Announcements:** Gore announced that CDs are available for student purchase at a cost of \$5. He also stated that the Section's budget is sound and that we wish to help students attend the International Symposium. He announced the availability of the James Peters Fellowship of \$2000 and additional student presenter travel funds of up to \$3000 for travel to the Symposium. Gore noted that applications are due May 1, 2002, and that application forms are available at the registration desk or on the Web. Hukam Mongia, Tom Briggs and Bob Lucht were identified as the selection committee for the Peters Fellowship. Gore also announced that Section bylaws are presently being reviewed for revision. Gore notified the membership that the Combustion Institute's 9/11 Fund is still operational and donations are requested. The fund presently is about \$6000. Gore stated that Combustion Institute president C. K. Law has asked the Section to announce that Taylor and Francis has offered subscriptions to *Combustion Science and Technology* for \$53, and that subscribers must act by April 14 to get all of the present year's issues.

Stuart Daw thanked UT's Ke Nguyen, Cheryl Treese, and Charles Finney for their help in putting together the Knoxville meeting. Session chairs were requested to provide recommendations for outstanding student presentations.

- 7. New Business:** Jay Gore pointed out that members of the meeting arrangement committee are to serve on the Board; consequently, Suresh Aggarwal and Ishwar Puri of UIC will serve. Gore announced that we have also asked Charles Finney of the University of Tennessee to manage our section website and serve on the Board. These appointments bring our board size to 23 members, but the bylaws allow a maximum of 20 board members. Gore asked the Section to increase the maximum board size from 20 to 25. Ken Brezinsky motioned and Hukam Mongia seconded that the maximum board size be increased to 25. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:15 p.m.