



Huntsville Regional Chapter of INCOSE Officers' Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2005

1. Rick Leonard, President of HRC INCOSE, welcomed the attendees who had gathered at the Tokyo Restaurant for a special Christmas Meeting with our families.
2. Rick Leonard introduced the HRC Officers for 2005/2006 to the family members. He also introduced two guests in attendance at this meeting, xxx and yyy.
3. Rick went over the Chapter's accomplishments for CY2005. These included a Bronze Circle Award at the National INCOSE meeting last July, the development of an outstanding web site for the Chapter, the inception of a monthly Newsletter and some very outstanding speakers as evidenced on our website. He also announced that we would be starting a new HRC Quarterly Journal, to be patterned after the National INCOSE's Insight Quarterly issued each calendar quarter by INCOSE National.
4. The Officers informally discussed the Chapter's plans for a new HRC Quarterly Journal to be published in each Quarter in lieu of monthly Newsletters. The Officers unanimously approved that the Secretary, Walter Hammond, serve as the Chapter's Journal Editor for the time being.
5. Walter Hammond entertained suggestions for the format and content of this HRC Quarterly Journal. Jerry Wocken suggested that additional artwork be included on the front cover besides NASA-related space hardware. In particular, it would be nice to have pictures of US Army products involved with AMRDEC. Walter agreed, and will make it so in the first Quarterly Journal.
6. Rick led an informal discussion of when the Chapter should issue its first Quarterly Journal. In the ensuing discussion, Bob Robertson voiced the opinion that we had enough information and recent briefings on the Chapter website to draw material from for a first Fall 2005 Quarterly Journal. Rick agreed, along with Jerry Wocken. Rick said this would greatly enhance the Chapter's chances of earning an award for the National INCOSE Chapter competition for CY2005. Walter reluctantly agreed to implement such a Journal in a rush to meet the January deadline for Chapter Competition submittals.
7. Additional discussions ensued over a leisurely Japanese Christmas dinner as to the best name for the Quarterly Journal. By majority count of hands vote, it was decided to name our HRC Quarterly Journal as "The Huntsville Rocketeer". Again, Walter is to implement this name starting with the first issue.
8. Finally, several suggestions were brought forward for adding standard items to the Quarterly Journal, including a Chapter News section, a National News section, and any employment news of interest to the readership. Also, Rick Leonard corrected Walter on his email address due to a recent change of employment. It is now "Ricky.Leonard@us.army.mil."
9. Rick concluded this delightful meeting by announcing that plans were being drawn up for the January 2006 meeting to be held as usual on the third Thursday at SAIC on . He announced that the topic and speaker for January 19, 2006 chapter meeting would be xxx and yyy. Thanks to Jerry Wocken for lining up a February speaker, Rick also announced that the topic and speaker for February 2006 would be Tom Satterly from Robust Decisions Inc. Tom would speak on Feb. 16 on the topic of decision support management tools for making complex team decisions. would be xxx and yyy. Rick wished everyone of the departing members and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and that we would have a delightful and challenging year ahead.