

Idaho Snake River Section – AACE International

Section Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 25, 2015

ATTENDEES: John Baker, CEP, Jared Neumeier, PSP, Scott Wasley, CEP, Jacob Goss, Dee Radford, CEP, Jeff Skinner, PSP, Schyler Walker, CEP, Keith Weimer, Gary Dansie, 8 total.

The meeting came to order at 6:45 p.m.

Section President, Jared Neumeier, presented communication topic “Listening Bad Habits Test”, including a handout test queering members on the extent of any listening bad habits they may have and the extent it plays in their approach to listening situations. This is a discussion module prepared by Peter Garber of Amherst, MA. Garber is an accomplished author with many published works in the area of business communications, human resource management and other business topics. Everyone was able to grade themselves and see where they fell in a range of listening skills.

The section congratulated, J.D. Kelly for earning his PSP certification in the previous few weeks. President, Jared Neumeier, then presented some handouts of various locations and information from the AACE web site regarding getting certified and maintaining certifications, including ideas on technical paper writing, etc.

The section discussed (and approved) a partnership activity of a Professional Development day with the local PMI chapter in Idaho Falls. Currently, that Professional Development day will be in March of 2016.

The section briefly discussed section board options and asked for section members to consider joining the board of directors for the section. Current board members talked about how the additional work is well worth the re-certification points as a reward. Section president, Jared Neumeier, officially announced that he would be stepping down, after 3 years, at the end of the current season.

In lieu of a keynote speaker, the section then viewed a “Ted Talks” presentation by Shawn Achor on “The Happy Secret to Better Work”. The presentation focused on taking a “supply side” approach to increasing productivity in the work place.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.