Secretary’s Report  (Bruce Mulholland)

Minutes from the January meeting were reviewed, and approved with one minor change.

Treasurer’s Report  (Austin Reid)

Retec proceeds from last year were received. Some discussion ensued related to BOD expenses incurred travelling to Retec sites as part of Retec expenses, but this discussion concluded without a motion being made. Austin proposed the 1999 CAD budget, totaling $114,000, and this was approved.

Councilor’s Report  (George Rangos)

The new SPE Executive Committee structure was approved at the January Councilor’s meeting. Several motions were made to increase dues for general membership, which all failed. An Ad Hoc committee was formed to review this issue.

It was reported that the Plastics Certification program was cancelled. The program was losing money and had no industry or government mandate to serve as incentive. Another problem was that the knowledge set required to pass this program was just too broad. The third point is that few people had undertaken this program as there was perceived to be no great benefit to being certified.

The council task force on revenue generation had several recommendations:
- Redirect 5 to 10% of the Antec budget to advertising to increase attendance by 10% over the next two years
- Make Plastics Engineering magazine a separate profit center
- Exploit the SPE logo for profit

Honored Service Member qualifications are being reworked. There will be a point system established with clearer requirements defined. In the future, a similar structure will be developed for qualifications for Fellow of the SPE. As the CAD has had several candidate applications rejected for Fellow, the Board views this as a welcome and positive change.

A motion was made to donate $2,000 to the SPE Student Scholarship Fund. This donation will be made at the next Councilor’s meeting. The motion was approved.

CAD Executive Committee Actions

Student travel stipend of $2,000 was approved prior to the Board meeting, as this was needed to fund student travel to Antec. This will be included on the standard agenda at the Winter Board meeting.
Election Report (Gary Beebe)

Elections to the Board and the TPC produced the following winners:

BOD-Gary Beebe, Barry deSatnick, Gary Conrad, Jamie Przybylski
TPC-Bob Schweitzer, Ed Tucker, Tracy Phillips, Steve Goldstein

A warm welcome to our new and returning members!

Technical Program Committee  (Johnny Suthers)

Nashville Retec appears to be on track. Gil Burkhart was named Chairperson of the Orlando Antec as Phil Neidenzu left the BOD (and the country) when transferred by DuPont. Sandy Davis and Johnny Suthers report no significant problems with the Crystal City Retec next year, and Gary Beebe has scheduled the Winter meeting at Marco Island for January '00. (The BOD typically has its winter meeting at the sight of the Retec two years out to review the site for suitability for our members.) Seed money of $1,000 was needed for the 2001 Retec to serve as deposit for the hotel. Motion was approved.

Newsletter Committee  (Bob Trinklein)

Two issues of the Newsletter have been successfully issued. Every attempt will be made to get a third issue out before Retec. The needed articles and BOD/TPC member list updates for this issue have been solicited and many have been received. There may be a problem with delivery of the newsletter; we have learned how to download the membership address list from SPE so we will now have up to date addresses. The newsletter is mailed bulk mail however, so mis-addressed issues are neither forwarded nor returned. This points out the necessity for members to update their address information with SPE or risk missing issues and other relevant SPE/CAD information.

Membership Committee  (Bill Jarrett)

Current membership is 1,643 total members of the Color and Appearance Division.

Public Interest Committee  (John Copp)

No report at this meeting.

CAD Web-Site  (Joe Cameron)

Information regarding the '99 Retec should be posted by now. The Board approved posting the latest issue of the newsletter on the website. New sponsorships have been received and the "Hot Links" letter discussed at our last meeting is ready to be sent.
**Education Committee**  (Bob Charvat)

The Employment Clearing House information, accidentally left out of the first newsletter, was published in the second. The Clearing House has several resumes on file waiting for a suitable job opening. CAD needs to keep the visibility of the Clearing House at a high level so job applicants and job opportunities can be brought together successfully.

Terra Community College chip molding project was completed. Approximately 500,000 color chips of various pigments and resins have been produced. PVC extrusion is still being performed. A new extruder screw and barrel have been purchased for this and other lab projects. A curriculum advisory committee has been formed to address the issue of updating the Coloring of Plastics program to make it more attractive to industry.

The *Coloring of Plastics, vol. I* project continues to hang on by a thread. 22 of 26 chapters are in the hands of the publisher, two chapters have legal issues, and several authors have been replaced. Bob feels this will ultimately be successful, but this has been a real struggle. Volume II is totally dependent on Volume I being published.

A seminar was presented to students and the local SPE chapter at Northampton Community College. Bob Charvat, Tony Pentz, and Bob Trinklein each presented a segment concerning Coloring of Plastics. Northampton's Plastics Technology program is heavily supported by PMAD (Polymer Modifier and Additive Division of SPE). They have patterned this support after the way we support Terra Community College. To support Northampton, Terra has given one of the spectros donated to Terra by Byk-Gardner to Northampton. Byk has also donated software and a hand held measuring device to Terra's coloring program.

Bob has approached Ball State in Indiana to discuss adding Coloring of Plastics to their curriculum. This meeting is currently scheduled.

**Awards Committee**  (Terry Golding)

Terry reported that he may need more info concerning Brian West's nomination for Honored Service Award. Bill Longley has requested that Ralph Stanziola be nominated for Fellow of the Society. Sponsors may include Frank Fasano, Fred Simon, and Tom Haney. This will be encouraged by the board to occur in the year 2000 as we don't wish to conflict with Bob Charvat's nomination to this honor. Bruce Mulholland was nominated for the Outstanding Achievement award, to be voted on at the summer meeting.

**New Business**  (ALL)

SPE Headquarters has wanted us to avoid using the Retec name. The reason for doing this was to avoid the "regional" implication implicit in the name—since Retecs are no longer regional. Several ideas were discussed as to a new name, but it was established that SPE has no official ban of the name Retec. As our members are familiar with this name, a unanimous vote of the board established that we will not change the name Retec for the time being.
Terry Golding called for establishing committee chairs for 1999-2000. The people and positions listed were established by vote of the Board.

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A request was made to provide financial assistance to the Rotational Molding Division in Formation. A motion was made and approved to donate $1,000.