



**MSORV Business Meeting
Fall 2011**

The Fall 2011 MSORV Meeting was held at Tech solve in Cincinnati, OH on October 25, 2011. There were 8 vendors present representing our Corporate sponsors and 44 attendees present. The afternoon began with registration and a reception sponsored by IXRF Systems and MSORV. During the reception, attendees networked and visited with vendors. MSORV President, Matt Chestnut opened the meeting with the welcoming remarks. The talks began at 4:05PM with the first speaker, Scott Sitzman from Oxford Instruments giving a talk "Enhancing User Productivity and Efficiency in EBSD". The second talk of the afternoon was given by Arno Merkle, product manager in research at Xradia, Inc. His presentation was titled "3D X-ray Microscopy-Extending Synchrotron Optics to the Materials and Life Sciences Laboratory".

After the first two talks, another opportunity was given to attendees to meet with vendors, network with colleagues and enjoy the bountiful reception.

The business meeting was called to order by our President, Matt Chestnut at 6PM. Minutes of the Spring 2011 meeting were not read but duly noted to the members that they were on-line at the MSORV website, www.msorv.org. The Treasurer's report was given by the interim Treasurer, Dave Tomlin. We currently have \$11,080.69 in our combined savings and checking accounts prior to this meeting with all bills paid to date. We have 14 Corporate members, 41 Professional members and 18 student members.

Under old business, Matt explained the delay of the elections for officers for 2012. Dan Kremser has made a .pdf ballot that will go out to all regular and student members by Friday October 28th, 2011 with an instant e-mail return back to Dan Kremser by November 10th. He also said that the next election in 2013 will be completely electronic.

Also under old business, we discussed the need to update the by-laws and the executive council has promised to bring forward to the membership proposed changes prior to the spring meeting.

Under new business, Dave Tomlin was appointed by the Executive Council to fill in as interim treasurer until this meeting. According to the by-laws council has brought forward his name

and asked for any additional nominations from the floor to have membership vote on a permanent interim treasurer until the new officers take office January 1, 2012. No nominations were brought forward, so the membership unanimously voted for Dave Tomlin to serve as treasurer until January 1st.

Matt asked for possible hosts for the Spring 2012 meeting. According to our alternating schedule, it should be held someplace around Dayton or Columbus. However, if no one from that area volunteers a site, Frank Platek had graciously offered the services again at Tech Solve. This was a very nice meeting space, and easy to access from the main highways as well as plenty of parking. We will take that into consideration.

A reminder that the MSA annual meeting for 2012 (M&M 2012) is going to be in Phoenix, AZ from July 29, 2011 through August 2, 2012.

Our final talk of the meeting was our MAS Tour Speaker, Dr. Janet Woodward, from Buckman Chemical/Paper Co. Janet is the current President-elect of MSA. She gave a brief overview of the benefits of being an MSA member, and explained how MSA is doing a lot to help students in order for them to participate in the annual meetings. She also gave a plug for the upcoming M&M 2012 in Phoenix, AZ and brought brochures "hot off the press" for the call for papers. It was very beneficial for our members, who are not currently members of our National society to see what MSA is providing for its membership. Finally, to end our program, Janet gave her keynote talk for the evening, "Real World Microscopy: Problem Solving in the Paper Industry". Janet gave a very informative talk on getting back to the basics of microscopy to start solving problems in the field, when you don't have access to the big scopes with bells and whistles.

Closing remarks were given by Matt Chestnut and the Fall meeting concluded at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Lloyd
Secretary