

MEETING MINUTES

ASQ SECTION 1412

May 12, 2009

The May 12, 2009, regular meeting of ASQ, Section 1412, was held at 6:15 PM at Cadillac Joe's Restaurant, Amarillo. This was a joint meeting with the Amarillo Chapter of the Project Management Institute (PMI). Karen Taylor, PMI Chapter Chair, called the meeting to order. Cathie Harris, ASQ Section Chair, provided comments about current Section activities.

Attendance:

Kirtland Federal Credit Union

- ❖ Leon Spackman (ASQ Region 1412 Deputy Director)

- ❖ Tom Otto
- ❖ Darla Self
- ❖ Barbaraann Rakestraw
- ❖ Karen Taylor

B&W Pantex

- ❖ C. J. Dickenson
- ❖ James Dickenson (guest)
- ❖ Jim Gallagher
- ❖ Cathie Harris

Sandia National Labs

- ❖ Ron Farmer (guest)
- ❖ Doug Miller (guest)
- ❖ Cary Pratt (guest)

Old Business:

- Cathie Harris informed ASQ Section members that the ASQ Section Volunteer Position Descriptions list for FY 2009/2010 was complete, approved and submitted to ASQ Headquarters on April 30.

New Business/Announcements:

- None.

Program:

Training – Quality Questions – was presented by Bill Faubion, PMI Amarillo Chapter.

Key Note Speaker - Leon Spackman, senior vice president of organizational performance at Kirtland Federal Credit Union, Albuquerque, NM. Leon is a Deputy Regional Director of ASQ Region 14, which includes the Amarillo Section. He has extensive education and experience in quality management systems, project management, logistics management, and process improvement, to list a few highlights of his repertoire. Leon's presentation, 'Project Management and Lean Six Sigma: What we can learn from each other,' provided insight into the benefits of the tools of project management and quality for both projects and quality professionals. The presentation was rich in examples and experience; always a good source for solutions to new problems.

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If you haven't taken the opportunity, don't miss a good read – the cover article in April 2009 Quality Progress by Leon Spackman on making improvements stick!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2009, 6:30 pm. This will be the last meeting of the fiscal year. New Section Volunteers for 2009/2010 will be introduced. Bob Dotson, the Chair-Elect, is attending the World Quality Conference in Minneapolis and will have information to share from that event. Location and other details will be provided in the meeting notice.

Meeting minutes approved:

s/ Cathie Harris

Cathie Harris
Chair

5/18/2009

Date