

**Kansas City Society for Coatings Technology**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**May 13, 2004**

President Keith Starling called the April 8, 2004 meeting of the Kansas City Society for Coatings Technology to order at 7:28 pm at Cascone's Restaurant.

**Program**

Our speaker for the evening was Dr. Jamil Baghdachi from Eastern Michigan University. His presentation was titled "Improving Durability and Performance of Coatings" and is part of the FSCT Distinguished Lecture Series.

Abstract: Durability and service life of all commercial coatings are affected by many variables, including weathering variables, and those associated with the service, materials manufacturing, and design of the product. The relationship among these variables and the service life of the coating is seldom understood. The reasons may include multiplicity of coatings and formulations, lack of standardized test methods, variability of intended and unintended mechanical damages and of the weather itself. Despite these obstacles, significant advances are being made in improving coating durability and service life prediction. In this lecture, a qualitative overview of the effects of various elements and parameters on the durability of coatings and several methods of evaluating the effects of weathering and performance were discussed. In addition, methods of improving coating durability and performance were presented.

**Dinner**

President Keith Starling invited our guest speaker, members and guests to enjoy the buffet dinner and indicated we would begin our business meeting as we dined.

**Business Meeting**

Secretary Jennifer McGreal read the minutes from the March meeting and they were approved as read.

Former Treasurer Jennifer McGreal read the Treasurer's Report and it was also approved as read.

**Society Director's Report**

Nick Dispensa reported that he would be attending the May 12, 2004 FSCT Board Meeting. Nick indicated that this meeting would have the second reading of the proposed change to the FSCT By-Laws allowing for an elected Alternate Society Director to vote at FSCT Board Meetings.

**Committee Reports:**

No report from **By-Laws, Environmental, Program, Publicity/History or Technical.**

**Education**

Gary Bennett shared that we had received an acknowledgement and thank you from UMR for our scholarship donation. He said the judging of the Science Fair went well and we have only one First Place winner this year, Austin Minor. Austin along with his teacher and parents has been invited to join us at our May meeting.

**Membership**

Alisa Duncan shared that we have 10 renewing members, seven are Active members, three are Retirees and two people have signed up for our meal plan.

**Web**

Jeff Richerson reported that he has updated FSCT with our new web address: [www.geocities.com/kccoatings](http://www.geocities.com/kccoatings); our society web page may now be accessed from the FSCT's web page. Additionally, Jeff has been contacting sites such as Coating World and Ink World to see if we could have a link on their sites to our web site. He is also looking into the possibility of having coating news updates from these sites scroll on our web site.

**Old Business**

Jim indicated we were finalizing the Committee descriptions and responsibilities.

**Announcements**

The next Executive Board and our Annual Meeting will be held May 13, 2004 at Cascone's. We will be honoring our Science Fair winner and awarding 25- and 50-year pins.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer McGreal  
KCSCCT Secretary