

Richard Gillis giving the glad news to members about SLP's performance in 2005/6



15th Annual General Meeting

It seems such a short while ago that a small group of SHE professionals in the oil, chemical and process industries got together and formed SLP. This year SLP is into its 16th year – the second half of its second decade. Yet a good number of these veterans are still active members and are contributing their share to running SLP and its technical and professional growth.

2006 has been special in several ways. Firstly we honored one of our distinguished founder members, John Lockwood, at our Members' Night on May 27. He joined three other people (Professors Trevor Kletz, Dan Crowl and Ching Chi Bun, who incidentally is our Founder President) in becoming an Honorary Fellow. The Honorary Fellow list is exclusive indeed.

Secondly, we recognised Andy Choi at the AGM by giving him the first SLP Recognition Award for members who have contributed significantly to SLP. Andy is an SLP pioneer. In his acceptance speech, Andy said that he had enjoyed and benefitted greatly from his association with SLP. As a member he had gained from SLP's technical activities – technical talks, plant visits, training courses, seminars and conferences. He had also had many opportunities to exercise his leadership qualities by serving on the Executive Committee and its sub-committees. He was especially proud of being a member of the organising committee for the 1st. International Conference on Loss Prevention. This set the benchmark for subsequent conferences. He was glad to see so many younger members at the AGM. He encouraged them to come forward and serve in sub-committees and eventually the

Executive Committee. He would do it again. The benefits far outweigh any sacrifice of time and effort that he had put in.

Thirdly, the AGM marked the stepping down of Richard Gillis, another SLP pioneer. He served 6 years (3 terms) as our President. Prior to being President he also served in the Executive Committee and its sub-committees. Like Andy, Richard was on the organising committee for the 1st International Conference. Richard not only contributed to the management of SLP, he was a regular contributor to our technical activities – speaker for technical talks, workshop leader, paper author and others. Fortunately, Richard has agreed to remain on the Executive Committee as an Advisor.

At the AGM on June 22, members voted for the whole Executive Committee. This happens every two years. Another interesting event this year was that an election was held for the Committee Member positions. This is a good development because it shows that more members are coming forward to serve. Our

leadership renewal is going at a good pace. Three executive committee members are new.

The Executive Committee for 2006/8 is shown below:

President:

Ong See Hee

Vice President:

Tay Cheng Pheng

Hon. Secretary:

Ngiam Tong Yuen

Hon. Treasurer:

Teng Chong Seng *(for one year only)*

Committee Members

Reginald Tan	Praveen Arora
Lam Kit Wing	Jacob Soh
Sam Tsen	Dennis Tay

Two Honorary Auditors were also elected. They are Michael Yan and Ngiam Bo Han.

At the Executive Committee meeting on July 27, the committee unanimously co-opted Richard Gillis and Gregory Poi into the committee.

Apart from the special items described above, the AGM also dealt with normal business. A piece of good news from this is that SLP managed to achieve a small surplus for 2005/6. This arose from the successful training courses that were held during the year. This happy state can only continue if SLP is able to put on training courses, seminars and workshops that are relevant to practicing professionals.

SLP, as always, is as good as its members want it to be. So the ball is back where it always should be, at the members' feet. Let's take it and play.

By Ngiam Tong Yuen



Richard enjoying a well earned dinner



Election 2006 - Richard and Tong Yuen counting votes



Members enjoying each others company while enjoying dinner