

# American Society of Civil Engineers Central Ohio Section

# **Board Meeting Minutes** February 16th, 2017 (February Meeting)

**Board Members:** 

A.J. Smith (AJ) (President)

Christopher Nye (Chris) (1st Vice President)
Firat Sever (Firat) (Treasurer) (Not Present)
Matt Baxendell (Matt) (2nd Vice President)

Zach Stolarsky (Zach) (Secretary)

Brooks Vogel (Brooks) (Member-at-Large/Newsletter Editor)

Carlos Vazquez (Carlos) (Past President)

Guests, Past Board Members, Younger Members:

Peter Narsavage (Peter)
Jason Ross (Jason)
(Student Section Advisor, OSU)
Patrick Karnes (Patrick)
(President, Younger Members)
Jim Pajk (Jim)
(Ohio Council) (Not Present)

Bob Heady (Bob) (Student Section Advisor, OU) (Not Present)

Mark Seidelmann (Mark) (Past President)

Dave Pritchard (Dave) (Past President) (Not Present).
Daniel Pradel (Daniel) (OSU Professor/ Geo-Institute)

The meeting was convened at 11:30 AM at the Hull & Associates office (Dublin, Ohio). The participants are listed above.

#### Secretary's Report (Zach Stolarsky)

Approved meeting minutes were posted online.

#### **Treasurer's Report (Firat Sever)**

There is still a service charge on the account, Firat will continue to request that the bank issue a refund. The check for the STEM Expo was received by Patrick. Check #1166 is listed twice the treasurers report.

Firat will file an EZ tax return this year.

#### **Luncheons (Christopher Nye)**

A chart with the total attendees, total revenue, total cost, cost per attendee, and profit was prepared by Chris to better see our luncheon costs.

Chris needs to get ahold of Bob Kolling for the UAV drone luncheon in April.

#### **Webinars**

March 8 - Rain Gardens (at American Structurepoint); March 21 - Traffic Signal Design (at Korda)

ASCE national has a new program that will give 20% of the gross cost of a webinar to the Section for all those who sign up for a webinar from that section. The Section just needs to help advertise for that webinar. The only advertising the board will do, is continue to promote webinars that are purchased by the board. No additional emails will be sent to members. AJ will reply back that we accept.

# **Technical Seminar (Matt Baxendell)**

Speakers and venue confirmed. Matt will reach out to other organizations to see if they have any members interested and if they would like to promote the event.

Email has been sent to Central Ohio ASCE members.

The date for the seminar is April 11<sup>th</sup> and the topic is Alternative Transportation.

# Newsletter (Brooks Vogel)

To be sent out.

# Website (Peter Narsavage)

The website is up to date. Some members have indicated that they are still not getting emails. Peter will look into this.

# Younger Member Group (President – Patrick Karnes)

STEM Expo is on February. 25<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm at COSI. Approximately 436 students have pre-registered as of the board meeting. This is right on pace with the 2016 expo. Approximately \$3050 has been raised from 12-15 corporate sponsors and including the grant from ASCE. OSU students will be asked to help with parking. COSI is not charging a venue cost for this first year there. COSI has given us 22 tables, we will however need to rent 40 tables. COSI will charge us a reduced cost for those. ASCE board will subsidize Dream Big costs for ASCE members and their families. There will be three different wristbands the day of the event to differentiate people at the event, volunteers, ASCE members, and normal attendees. A slide for the STEM expo included in the Eweek luncheon. Carlos will follow up about speaking at luncheon

OSU CAD classes being run by Younger Member V.P. Tom Less are going well. The computer lab over at OSU is overflowing and people are bringing their own laptops.

Joint meeting with OSPE Franklin County Young Members was on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> at Zaftig Brewing.

#### E-Week's ASCE Dream Big film at COSI, released on Feb. 24 (Carlos)

Dream Big Website is http://www.dreambigfilm.com/about/

# Student Chapter Practitioner Advisors (OSU – Jason Ross, OU - Bob Heady)

OSU OVSC website is <a href="https://u.osu.edu/ovsc2017/">https://u.osu.edu/ovsc2017/</a>. They are still looking for judges for the events, but doing well with their planning right now. OVSC is April 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> with concrete canoe on Friday and steel bridge on Saturday.

A conference call was held to discuss the issues with the student chapters' tax filings situation. OSU ASCE students have their own tax id number and have been filling as a for-profit. During the conference call, the decision was made to have the students pay their 2016 taxes with that number as a for-profit. Going forward, starting in October, their taxes will be filed through the Central Ohio Section board. All money will fall into sections accounts as revenue.

The questions was brought up, who do we address the checks to when we send money to the student chapter? The student chapter is separate from the College of Engineering. There are still questions about how OU has been filling. Chris spoke with the OU student's advisor at the presentation dinner and he thinks that they are going through the college.

The student dinner went well. EWB gave a good presentation.

The OSU student chapter sent 5 students to the workshop in MN. At least three of them will be officers next year.

# **Ohio Council (Peter Narsavage)**

Spring meeting on March 31st at Franklin County Engineers Office to be attended by Jim and Mark. Let Jim know if you have topics.

#### **Membership Events**

CBJ Hockey Game on March 16, we have sold 80 tickets and we won't be buying more.

Annual golf outing is June 23

Trap shooting event will be looked into by Chris for late April, early May possibly at Blackwing. The event will be kept to 30-40 people. Only a few booths will be going as to encourage members to socialize. Chris will reach out to other sections that do this event. ASCE national's legal counsel stated that there is no insurance for this event. Chris will try and add ASCE to the waivers provided by Blackwings. Chris will get together costs.

#### **Other Items of Business**

#### **2017 Board Elections**

The board will start to think about this. Peter will look into the ability to run this through StarChapter. The board will start to look at awards next meeting. We will need nominations.

#### **GeoInstitute Chapter / TH Wu Lecture**

First informal meeting was held on January 27<sup>th</sup>. About 15 people attended. A survey was passed along possible topics and meeting dates. The group will look into having a meeting a quarter.

TH Wu lecture is on March 24th.

# 2017 Multi-Region Leadership Conference (WSBL, CRYMC, WSL) wrap-up (Chris Nye, Patrick Karnes)

Attended by Chris, Patrick, and Tom Less. A few key notes and ideas include ASCE key contactors list, ASCE collaborates on the main page as a place to post questions to all ASCE members, ASCE Foundation as possible source of money for centennial celebration coming up, Membership appreciation events, social, technical, and community volunteer event.

Region 3 assembly is in Detroit.

2018 MRLC will be held in Omaha.

# Legislative Fly-In March 14-15 in Washington DC (Brooks Vogel, Jim Pajk)

Brooks has attended pre-event webinars. The ASCE national report card will be released in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of March

# Ohio Construction Conference advertising, March 15 at OSU

Will include in newsletter.

# **President-Elect Swallow visit planning**

Chris will get a list of local businesses to invite to the breakfast with the President Elect in May. Chris will look into holding the breakfast at the Blackwell. The breakfast has been approved by OSU and Daniel will relay date to them.

# **New Ethics Requirements for PE renewals**

"Beginning with registrations expiring on or after the last day of December 2017, a person registered as a professional engineer or professional surveyor shall complete at least two of the thirty hours required under division (A) of this section on professional ethics or rules relevant to the practices of engineering or surveying."

Current registrations expire on 12/31/17,

Information on the PEPS is not updated as of the board meeting. According to Dean C. Ringle, a member of the PEPS Board, the two hours of ethics requirement will need to be earned beginning with the 2018-19 cycle. If you earn enough CPD hours this year to have carryover hours, then some ethics hours this year could be used for the 2018 year.

The next meeting will be on March 30, 2017 at 11:30 AM at the Hull & Associates office (Dublin, Ohio).

This meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

Submitted, Zach Stolarsky Secretary – Central Ohio ASCE