

Board Meeting Minutes November 30, 2017

Board Members:

Christopher Nye (Chris)	(President)
Firat Sever (Firat)	(1 st Vice-President)
Matthew Baxendell (Matt)	(Treasurer) – by phone
Patrick Karnes (Patrick)	(2 nd Vice-President)
Jonathan Sterenberg (Jon)	(Secretary)
Brooks Vogel (Brooks)	(Member-at-Large/Newsletter Editor)

Guests, Past Board Members, Younger Members:

Tom Less (Tom)	(President, Younger Members)
Peter Narsavage (Peter)	(Website Editor, Ohio Council)
Jim Pajk (Jim)	(Ohio Council)
Jason Ross (Jason)	(Student Section Advisor, OSU)
Bob Heady (Bob)	(Student Section Advisor, OU) – Not Present
Carlos Vazquez (Carlos)	(Past Board President)
Daniel Pradel (Daniel)	(OSU Professor/ Geo-Institute)

The meeting was convened at 11:30 AM at S&ME, 6190 Enterprise Ct. in Dublin, Ohio. The participants are listed above.

Secretary's Report (Jon)

Jon submitted minutes from 10/26 meeting to board for review, received comments and revised. Jon posted the finalized meeting minutes to the website.

Treasurer's Report (Matt)

- Matt provided 2-month report – board reviewed; current balance: \$33,122.48
- Reimbursement checks for several people (if you are owed a reimbursement check, e-mail Matt – use gmail)
- US Bank CD coming due – board voted to cash it out and deposit into checking account
- OSU statement – Jason to send to Matt
- Tax exempt form to Embassy Suites – Matt sent it over
- Jim received vendor form from HDR – Jim to send to Matt

Luncheons (Firat)

- November luncheon – COTA CMAX BRT – 11/16 – Went well
- December luncheon – 12/14 – Spaghetti Warehouse / Vets Memorial
 - Tour with Nigel Carter from Turner Construction to follow.
 - Capacity of 45 – about 25 signed up as of 11/30
 - Parking – at restaurant
 - Bring hard hats / vests
 - Meal choices – write on tags
- January dinner meeting – 1/17 – Ohio University Inn
 - \$30/non member; \$25/member; \$20/life; Free for students
- February Engineers Week – 2/22 – Bridgewater / Autonomous Cars
 - ITE in charge (Jared Love w/WSP); ASCE to help man tables
- March – President-Elect Robin Kemper – 2 days
 - Social with students - Wed evening
 - Breakfast Thurs morning – invite only; sponsors, key leaders, past presidents, elected officials
 - Luncheon Thurs – consider ethics topic; may get higher turnout; Schmidt's originally considered

- April – Jeremiah Morrow – w/ACI
 - ASCE Coordinator – Jeremy Lewis
- May – SWWTP CEPT
 - ASCE Coordinator – Greg Barden

Spring Technical Seminar (Patrick)

- April 26th – Hyatt Place at Grandview Yard
- \$1,500 minimum – 50 people needed; shooting for 75
- Reaching out to presenters
 - Stormwater
 - Central Ohio Damage Prevention Council – could contribute up to \$500

Webinars

- N/A

Newsletter

- Sent out advertising renewal forms
- Reference books

Website

- Brooks asked if we could add text to the registration pages that the address for payment must match the address on file for the credit card. Otherwise payment is often rejected.

Younger Members

- Tom sent activity report to the board.
- Jennifer Rivera will attend the Leadership conference in Omaha for the Younger Members.
- Hosting a free Happy Hour at Kingmakers Board Game Parlour on 12/7
 - Toys for Tots donations accepted.
- STEM Expo
 - Planning to hold another planning meeting mid-December.
 - Thomas Worthington is tentative as a venue, but might have an issue. They have a new gym floor that they do not want to put tables or chairs on. Patrick is investigating further.
- Already getting sponsors.

Student Chapter Practitioner Advisors (Bob – OU; Jason – OSU)

- OU
 - OU sent a written request for OVSC support. Section decided at last meeting to support with \$4,000.
- OSU
 - Jason got the accounting spreadsheet to Matt for tax exemption status.
 - Students will be registering soon for Leadership conference
 - Annual report and dues will be happening in January.

Ohio Council

- Jim handed out the dues request from Ohio Council.
- Jim also passed out the Ohio Council budget.
- ASCE has plans to sell the Dream Big DVD soon, with “Buy one, Give one” programs to donate to schools.
- Ohio Report card – goal is to release it in December 2018. Mark Seidelmann is the lead.
- Jim told the board that active participation on the board entitles everyone to 2 hours of PDH for licensing. He will send out an example certificate from another professional organization.

Membership Events

- Tom brought up an AISC webinar that is happening on Dec 13 about changes to the AASHTO bridge design code. It would be interesting to ASCE members. Peter will research and see if ELR would host it.
- UESI tour of vitrified clay pipe plant went well. Attendance was good. Actually made some money.
- Discussion of a Blue Jackets event was tabled for later.
- Golf outing is confirmed for June 22.

Sponsorships / Advertisements

- Calculators for KIPP school. Firat thought we had decided at last meeting to donate, but at lesser amount than was requested. Chris will review meeting minutes for decision.
- 2018 Ohio Construction Conference.
 - Peter will return form agreeing to promote the conference for the BX.

Technical Institutes

- Geo-Institute
 - Upcoming events include the TH Wu Lecture, a lecture by Vaughn Griffith in April, and Daniel will talk about his recent visit to Puerto Rico at a meeting in January.
- UESI (Firat)
 - UESI is hosting a roundtable discussion at the upcoming PLSO conference in Ohio.

Old Business

- Legislative Fly-In – March 13-15
 - Brooks and Jim will attend.
- Brooks has talked with Cornell Robertson
 - Ohio passed legislation allowing counties to impose a \$5 fee during license plate renewals for funding infrastructure.
 - The County Engineer has to request the fee, and County Commissioners have to approve it.
 - Cornell would like for the section to support the fee.

New Business

- LinkedIn account
 - Firat proposed starting a LinkedIn account for the section.
 - Peter will coordinate a request to find a member to set it up and run it.
- Workshop for Section and Branch Leaders, Jan 26-27, Omaha, NE
 - Board approved sending Jon Sterenberg
- ASCE Speakers bureau
 - Chris brought this to the board's attention.
 - Daniel shared that if you want to find a free speaker, it is better to talk to the technical committees. They will often pay for the travel expenses for the speaker.
 - There have been complaints to ASCE national that some of the speakers from the speakers bureau talk too much about their companies – essentially advertising.
- Jim talked about the anniversary of the Silver Bridge collapse on Dec. 15.
- Next meeting will be January 11.