

ASCE Syracuse Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Call to Order - SG: April 21, 2015 at Bergmann Associates Conference Room at 5:35pm

Attendees:

Shaun Gannon – President Chuck White – Pres Elect Kip Wittchen – Vice Pres/Web Dawn Penniman - Treasurer Kelli McArdell - Director/Sec Brian Byrnes – Director Bill Finch Emily Herbst Brad Kubiak - Governor Ray D'Hollander

Approval of March's Meeting Minutes First: CW, Second: BB

1. Spring Membership Meeting (KM): The membership meeting is going to be a Borio's Restaurant in Cicero on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 5:30pm. At the membership meeting we will award any life members and install the new board members. Kelli will post the information to an e-blast. Kip will reach out to the life members and produce the awards/certificates. Kip also created a flyer and produced the online registration form. Emily will post the event to the Facebook page.

SG: Brad was asked to install the new officers at the membership meeting and agreed.

- Treasurer's Report (DP): The current section dues are \$20.00 per year and the Society would like the Board to decide if the section's dues are going to remain the same or change. An increase of \$5.00 was presented by the Board, which would increase the total section's dues to \$25.00.
 First: KW, Second: BB, 6-0-0, Motion Passes
- 3. President's Report (SG): No report.
- 4. Future Events(SG):
 - SUNY Poly Student Chapter Meeting April 23, 2015
 - Earth Day Adopt-A-Highway May 16, 2015
- 5. Website/Member Database (KW): I will work with Kelli and send out an e-blast with an electronic voting ballot for this year's board elections.
- 6. Region 1 Spring Meeting (BK): The meeting was held in Portland, Maine and unfortunately we did not have enough individuals to reach quorum, so no new business or voting occurred.
- 7. **Updates from the Governor (BK):** At the Regional Assembly Meeting one initiative we discussed was the "Raise the Bar" initiative which would require 30 credit hours of a master's degree to sit for the PE exam. This may be a requirement in the future because the amount of credit hours for the engineering bachelor's degree is slowly decreasing over time. This is a controversial issue and will continue to be discussed.

We also discussed the report card for New York State. The report card is to be released September 2015 and officially rolled out at the National Convention in New York City in the month of October during E-week.



We also had a discussion with the regional governor candidates. As a section we could endorse a candidate, but it is not required.

- 8. Scholarship Committee (DP for TH): No report.
- 9. Younger Member Committee (EH): No report.
- 10. **EWB Liaison (LH)**: No report.
- 11. History & Heritage Committee (PR): No report.
- 12. **Geo Institute (RD)**: No report.
- 13. **Golf Committee (DP for LK)**: This year's golf tournament to be held at Timber Banks Golf Club on Friday, June 19, 2015. Please pass around the sponsorship information to individuals and corporations you may know. All sponsorships go into the scholarship fund. We are currently finalizing the contract with the manager of Timber Banks. Kelli will send out a e-blast with the golf tournament information.

Motion to Adjourn - KW, Second: CW at 7:04pm