

NH Society of Professional Engineers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

DATE: October 24, 2011 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Location: CMA 55 So. Commercial St. Manchester, NH 03103 <i>*Voting Board Member</i>	X	Pete King, PE (Pres)*	X	Corey Dietrich, EIT (Dir)*
		Steve Lehman, PE (Past Pres)*		Josh Bouchard, PE (Dir)*
		Ted Setas, PE (Pres Elect)*	X	Paul Schmidt, PE (Hse. of Delegates)*
	X	Jason Beaudet, PE (Vice Pres)*		
	X	Jen Fisher, EIT (Sec)*		Walter Durack (Membership and State Director)*
	X	Dan Hudson, PE (Treas)*		(E-Week Chair)
		Joe Duncan, PE (NE.Dir.)		Bill Straub (QBS Rep.)
	X	Gregg Comstock, PE (Dir)*	X	Ben Pratt, PE (MATHCOUNTS)
		(scholarship)		Judy Houston, PE (Student Outreach)
		Mark Condodematraky (guest)	X	Larry Dwyer, PE (Interim Past Pres.)

OLD BUSINESS

- BOD minutes approval 28 September 2011 email votes – see email summary attachment

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Guest Speaker:*

Mark Condodematraky, PE (licensed in NH and VT) - spoke to the board regarding “flood zone determination” and federal law – lenders for mortgages have to determine risk of flooding for homes – no regulations on who performs flood surveys and other engineering tasks (unlicensed practitioners). People may be/have been forced to purchase insurance where not needed or may not/did not have insurance that should have it due to incorrect determinations from unlicensed professionals. Incorrect determinations are affecting public welfare and public safety. In several cases, professional determination is not recognized vs. that of an unlicensed person. Looking for assistance with education to advocate for the importance of licensure for determinations. Occurs for storm water management and flood determination. VT and MA law similar to NH. No ASTM standard or FEMA regulation. FEMA only requires guarantee of work.

NHSPE members responded that since there was no law prohibiting unlicensed flood zone determinations and the lenders did not appear to be concerned with the difference between licensed and unlicensed, then there appeared to be two avenues for Mr. Condodematraky to pursue. One was to work with lenders to educate them on the value of using licensed engineers and the second was to work with local state representatives to change the law. Mr. Condodematraky was invited to prepare a short article for the next Observer.

2. *Treasurer’s Report (Dan H.)*

- Acceptance of Treasurers Report (attached)
 - Joint societies conference – will be close to breaking even; may make \$1500-2000
- Review Draft Budget for FY11 – similar to FY10 numbers
 - Need balance on teacher’s awards account over \$500 so we don’t pay monthly fee –

Motion to transfer money from general account to teacher awards fund by \$500 – P. Schmidt; J. Beaudet second; vote all in favor

- Meetings generally breakeven but lose money if attendance is poor. We need to work harder to boost attendance to increase our cash reserve and allow us to provide better support to our program.

Motion to adopt budget as proposed – P. Schmidt; second by J. Beaudet; vote all in favor

3. *Society Governance*

- Pending Observer Issue, Next Observer Issue (Ted S.) – final draft Friday
- New Observer Issue before the end of the year:
 - Regional conference – J. Beaudet
 - JES conference – C. Dietrich
 - DES lunch – G. Comstock
 - EWeek info – save the date – L. Dwyer
 - Pending legislation – P. King
 - Mark C. (guest speaker) – survey position ?
 - Upcoming meetings – save the date/a look ahead
- Web Site (Josh B.) – Not in attendance.

4. *Professional Development and Continuing Education*

- Oct/Nov – Michie Corp Precast Tour (Dan H/Matt L) – D. Hudson said not going to happen
- 7 Dec 2011 - NHDES Update (G. Comstock) – Puritan 11:30-2:30 – 4 speakers are lined up– representing the Wetlands Bureau, Commissioners Office, Drinking/Groundwater Bureau, and Alteration of Terrain Bureau – 2 PDHs – cost \$25 members; \$45 non-members – G. Comstock needs new contact info for Martha (L. Dwyer to provide) – J. Bouchard needs to get website set up for registrations**
- January – NHDOT response to natural disasters (T. Setas) – hasn’t talked to anyone yet – maybe change to another month
- L. Dwyer – new idea for January – Mike from IEEE – tour for local robotics manufacturer – MakeItLabs – Thursday Jan. 19

- 16 February – E-week Dinner/Education sessions/volunteers – need speakers and sponsors – L. Dwyer already sent out request for nominations for EOY/YEOY
- March – Engineering and Law (Pete) – working on it – may need to be bumped to other month
- 19th April – Site Tour: NHBB – Ben P. – yes, possibility for tour and speaker with meal – also massive remediation going on for VOCs – hopefully 30-50 people maybe include UNH students
- Northern Pass (Pete) – called and didn't get response; will call someone else – maybe in March?
- May – New PE Dinner (Ethics - Pete King) – tentative date May 17th
- June – Annual Meeting (VTSPE?) Possibly June 20 – maybe do something in Dartmouth area?

5. *Public Image and Student Outreach*

- NHSPE John Alger Memorial Scholarship – P. King will coordinate
- Teacher's Award (Matt L.) – request from M. Lowe for donation of \$100 – see motion in budget; National doing national award – M. Lowe will forward our winner for submission
- MATHCOUNTS (Ben /Gregg) – registrations already started for upcoming year; B. Pratt needs address list for Manch/Concord/Seacoast area – maybe get list from Chambers of Commerce – J. Beaudet will make database of local companies from Chamber lists and compile in Excel – before end of November at latest
- NHSPE Job Board
- NHSEE – need new liason – monthly meetings at Manchester Community College – meeting next Tuesday – C. Dietrich will go
- UNH Outreach – Corey – met with them last week – combo group ASME/ASCE meeting in early February focused on Soph/Jrs.

6. *Government Affairs*

- Pending Legislation of Concern-see draft bill attachment - regulation to study business in NH – 2 changes – (1) SPCC plans currently required to be certified in NH not be required to be certified (2) don't want engineer to certify AST tank designs
 - ACEC wants our opinion on issue –

L. Dwyer makes motion to prepare email response to this draft bill; D. Hudson second; vote – all in favor. Potential UST design rules change – P. King to respond to ACEC that NHSPE does not support this rules change.

- Potential Mechanic's Lien Change – currently labor and materials but not design work – wants to add design work to lien – should we support this? (P. King) – Not licensure issue – more item for ACEC (LD) but is issue – D. Hudson – should make members aware of issue

7. *State Society Collaboration*

- November - 4-6 - NE Regional Meeting; Sturbridge, MA – P. King, P. Schmidt, T. Setas, and J. Beaudet are going

8. *Membership*

- Membership Report (Walter D.) – Not in attendance

9. *National/Regional & Other Issues*

10. *Other*

B. Pratt – ASME flyer for Nov. meeting at Dartmouth – P. King will scan flyer and get it on website

EOY/YEOY – discussed and nominated candidates for each category as well as persons to spearhead the submittals

D. Hudson nominate XXXX for EOY; L. Dwyer second; vote all in favor

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L. Dwyer motion to adjourn at 8:22; all in favor

Next meeting: November 16 6-8 pm at CLD.