



# New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers

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## Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 16, 2015 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  Location: <b>CMA Engineers, Inc.</b> <b>Langer Place</b> <b>55 S. Commercial St.</b> <b>Manchester, NH 03101</b>	X	Dirk Grotenhuis, PE (President)*		Matt Low, PE (Teachers Awards)
	X	Jason Beaudet, PE (Past President)*		Ben Pratt, PE (Mathcounts)
	X	Carl Thunberg, PE (Pres. Elect, Scholar.)*		Bill Straub, PE (QBS Representative)
		Vacant (Vice President)*		Bob Rotier (Student Outreach)
	X	Julie Whitmore, PE (Secretary)*	X	Larry Dwyer, PE (JES & Eweek Chair)
		Chuck Gregory, PE (Treasurer)*		Scott Carter, PE (Webmaster)
	X	Roch Larochelle, PE (NH - Delegate)*		John Martin, PE (NE - Director)
	X	Gregg Comstock, PE (Director)*	X	Ted Setas, PE (Observer)*
	X	Corey Dietrich, EIT (Dir., Mem. Chair)*	X	Katerina Messologitis (UNH)
		Nita Patel, PE (Director)*	X	John Goudreault
*Voting Board Member	X	Thalia Valkanos, EIT (Director)*		

### OLD BUSINESS

- Dirk read NSPE's mission and vision to open the meeting.
- Carl noted the phrase "assist and promote individual licensure" as an item that NHSPE should focus more on.
- Approval of June 2015 minutes:
  - Roch motioned to approve minutes
  - Thalia seconded
  - Unanimous vote in favor

### NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. *Treasure's Report (Chuck)*

- Chuck provided a summary report, but very little activity at this point
- NHSPE to develop and adopt a budget

#### 2. *Society Governance*

- Next Observer Issue (Ted)
  - a. Issue No. 1 (article deadline 10/16/2015)
    - JES conference (Larry)
    - National meeting (Dirk)
    - HB 292 (Carl)
    - EOY/YEOY (Jay)
    - Teacher's awards (Matt)
    - MathCounts (Ben/Gregg)
    - Southside Middle School Program (Thalia)
- Website Update (Scott)
  - No updates
  - May want to revisit some items and update/refresh
- Board and Subcommittee Positions
  - Need VP candidates
    - Review member list for potential candidates
    - Need to bring someone onto board now for smooth transition
  - 2016/2017: Need Teacher's Awards, MathCounts, and Treasurer
    - Position descriptions
    - Need to start pursuing candidates now to start mentoring and grooming
    - Will include article on position candidates in next Observer
  - NHSEE liaison also needed

#### 3. *Professional Development and Continuing Education*

- General
  - a. Develop and schedule meetings as early as possible
  - b. Based on list of annual meetings, only two additional meetings needed: November and January
- Upcoming Meetings
  - a. October
    - NHJES
    - Thursday, October 1, 2015

- b. December
  - NHDES
  - Tuesday, December 8, 2015
- c. February
  - E-week
  - Thursday, February 25, 2016
- d. May
  - New PE dinner
  - Date TBD
- e. June
  - Officer Inductions
  - Date TBD
- Potential Ideas
  - a. Extended Ghana Project Presentation
    - Consider presenting in November
    - Katerina to determine available dates
  - b. Climate change presentation
    - Unsure if subject is technical enough to offer PDH
    - Consider using this as a social presentation held jointly with UNH
  - c. Next Step Bionics
    - Jay to look into

#### 4. *Public Image and Student Outreach*

- MATHCOUNTS (Ben /Gregg)
  - No updates
- Teacher's Award (Matt L.)
  - Nominations due in January
  - Forms mailed to schools in October
- NHSPE John Alger Memorial Scholarship (Dirk)
  - Announcements out in December
  - March deadline
  - Fundraising needed
    - Suggested donation now on NSPE renewal forms from National
    - Consider a mailing campaign to raise funds
    - Potentially provide raffles at meetings
      - Need list of item raffle items
- New Hampshire Science and Engineering Exposition (NHSEE) (vacant)
  - Position is vacant, but NHSPE will continue to support
  - Katerina may be interested
- UNH Presentation
  - Considered many ideas, including Ghana presentation and/or climate change
  - Katerina suggested including Tau Beta Pi, which is an interdisciplinary group on campus
  - If possible, NHSPE could provide a technical presentation to offer PDH and entice member attendance
  - Would like the event to be free for students
  - To keep costs down, but also entice students, offer Chipotle instead of pizza and if food can be brought in, host in Huddleston
  - If successful, this could become an annual event
  - Plan event for March (?)
  - Charge nominal fee (\$5)
- Middle School Technical Program
  - Thalia and Bob to present at Southside Middle School
  - Thalia will take pictures and write an article
- Environmental and Water Resources at UNH
  - Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> event
  - Panel presentations
    - Requested NHSPE board member
    - Dirk offered to attend

#### 5. *Government Affairs*

- Nothing new to report

#### 6. *State Society Collaboration*

- NHJES (Larry)
  - October 1st
- E-Week (Larry)
  - Keynote needed
  - Technical speakers needed
  - EOY/YEOY announcements
  - Have not yet determined theme or no theme
- NHQBS Dues
  - Article to be provided in Observer

#### 7. *Membership*

- Membership Report (Corey)
- High number of dropped members
- Corey to look into dropped members and may contact
- Standard letters distributed to delinquent members dropped
- Corey will provide names
- Any specific member campaigns?
  - Ask national for funds for membership campaign
  - Redistribute postcards

#### 8. *National/Regional & Other Issues*

- State Delegate Report (Roch)
  - Policy Revisions to be discussed via e-mail
  - 3 Groups
    - PPs (Policy and Position Statements) recommended for renewal as currently written
    - PPs recommended for renewal with amendments shown
    - PPs and PSs recommended for member outreach and input under NSPE OP 2.14 prior to final action
  - New group formed – policy and advocacy committee
- 2015 National Meeting: July 15 – 19, 2015, Bellevue, WA
  - Dirk provided and overview of National meeting
    - 2 leadership tracks offered (entry and advanced)
    - Improvement to previous meetings due to new presentation
- 2015 Northeast Regional Meeting: October 8-10, 2015, Galloway, NJ
  - Carl and Jay to attend
  - NH to host regional meeting in the near future!
    - Need to be cognizant of NY CPC's
    - Need to verify commitment for 2018
    - Start committee now!

Meeting adjourned 8:20