

**NHSPE BOD Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, 16 November, 2006**

**Meeting Attendees**

Phil Decker, PE, esq* (Director)	Veronica Thibodeau Carter, PE* (Director)	
Paul Schmidt, PE* (Past President)	Ben Pratt, PE	
Dan Hudson, PE * (President Elect)		
John DiGenova, PE * (Secretary)		

\* Voting Board Members

**Meeting Location – CLD, Manchester NH**

Dan Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM. A summary of the items discussed is presented below.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Review and approve September 2006 meeting minutes.**

Paul Schmidt motions to approve the September 2006 meeting minutes, Phil Decker seconds and the motion is approved by the group.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Treasurer’s Report (Larry D)**

- Larry Dwyer will send treasurer’s report via e-mail
- Cost for NHSPE Mugs – Dan Hudson report that the cost of NHSPE Mugs is \$4.49 each buying a minimum of 60 mugs. John DiGenova motions to purchase the mugs, Veronica Thibodeau seconds and the motion is approved by the group.

**2. Society Governance**

- Committee Chair Update (membership) – Dan Hudson reports that membership continues to increase. See Attachment No. 1 for statistics.
- Status of state membership application dues – Dan Hudson reports that Roch Larochelle is trying to get membership application forms from National for review.

**3. Professional Development and Continuing Education**

- November DES Update Luncheon-Ridge Mauck/Collis Adams – Dan Hudson reports that the program was great and well attended (about 150 people). This annual presentation continues to grow each year with more and more attendees. The powerpoint presentation by Ridge Mauck/Collis Adams will be posted on the NHSPE website.
- December 12 UNH Meeting - Dan Hudson reports that the tour of the storm water research facility and Greg Hall at UNH will be limited to 50 attendees due to space limitations.

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- NCEES Speaker for UNH – Dan Hudson reports that tentatively a speaker will be set up for early February and he will discuss possible dates with Bob Henry. Paul Schmidt reports that NCEES have speakers who speak on licensure. Roch Larochelle is also looking into a speaker from industry who may be able to give a presentation. John DiGenova has a NCEES presentation notebook that has a video tape, powerpoint presentation, and speaker notes. Paul Schmidt will review the NCEES presentation information.
- March Social with UNH Students – Veronica Thibodeau reports that she investigated a possible meeting location at the Red Hook Brewery in Portsmouth. This event could also include the ASCE Student Chapter. The rate would be \$150 for a non-profit organization. The room holds about 56 people. A \$150 deposit is required to hold the room. A free tour of facility is included. Veronica will set the date based on UNH Schedules.

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

- MATHCOUNTS Fundraising initiatives/Meeting – Dan Hudson reports that he and Roch will meet with Bob Baskerville on 22 November 2006 to discuss fundraising initiatives. Ben Pratt reports that donations are slowly coming in. Lee Carroll is pursuing fundraising in the north country. There is a new seacoast coordinator. Ben also reports that about 20 schools have registered so far.
- Engineers without Borders funding request – Dan Hudson reports that a representative of Engineers without Borders may speak at the Engineers Banquet (e-week) or the March Social. Engineers without Borders is looking for funding. Phil Decker motions to donate \$250 to EWOB, Paul Schmidt seconds and the motion is approved by the group.
- UNH Coordination Initiatives (follow up from October meeting) – Veronica Thibodeau reports that the October meeting was a success. Arthur Schwartz made a great presentation. Veronica indicated that some of her students attended and enjoyed the presentation.
- Teacher's Award Report – Dan Hudson reports that an e-mail was sent on Monday to 600 schools in New Hampshire. Applications are due 5 January 2007. Dan indicated that e-mails also went to co-sponsors (UNH and ASCE).
- Observer – Dan Hudson reports that the next issue of the Observer is scheduled to be issued in January 2007. All articles are due 15 December 2006. Dan indicated that the contract with the printer is about to expire.

#### **5. *Government Affairs***

- Legislative Tracking Initiatives - Phil Decker reports that there is no new legislation that is relevant to engineers. There is a formal public hearing for the Landscape Architects bill on 19 December 2006.
- Government/Public Relations Campaign – Dan indicated that there is no news report on the Public Relations Campaign.

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**6. State Society Collaboration (Joe D/Roch)**

- Joint Society Conference Planning Session (report from 10/24/06 meeting-11/21/06 follow up) – Dan Hudson reports that the Joint Society had a second meeting. They discussed having a day long conference maybe offering 6 PDH's. The next meeting will be on 21 November 2006 to secure revenue and discuss speakers. Paul Schmidt suggests a skill building forum regardless of engineering discipline.
- Joint Committee Chair – Dan Hudson reports that each society is to name one representative. Dan suggests that the President-elect to be named to this position.

**7. Membership**

- Membership Report (Current National Issues~hold delinquents) – Dan Hudson reports that he is working through the delinquent list.
- Statewide Mailing (National Reimbursement/Board Action) – Dan Hudson reports that a membership mailing to all New Hampshire professional engineers would cost about \$1,300 (1600 people). Dan indicated that Roch Larochelle said that we may be reimbursed for the mailing. Roch is investigate reimbursement from National before the mailing.

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

Dan Hudson motions to adjourn, Phil Deckers seconds and the group approves. The meeting is adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,  
John DiGenova, PE