

**NH Society of Professional Engineers
Board of Directors Meeting**

DATE: October 21, 2009 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Location: Terracon Consultants, Inc. Hesser Bldg Manchester, NH *Voting Board Member	Larry Dwyer, PE (Pres)*	Ted Setas, PE (Dir)*
	Matthew Low, PE (Past Pres)*	Walter Durack (Membership)
	Josh Bouchard, PE (Dir)*	Roch Larochelle, PE (E-Week Chair)
	Peter King (Vice Pres)*	
	John DiGenova, PE (Sec)*	
	Dan Hudson, PE (Treas)*	
	Paul Schmidt, PE (Hse. of Delegates)*	
	Gregg Comstock, PE (Dir)*	

OLD BUSINESS

- Sept 16, 2009 BOD minutes approval - Dan make a motion to accept the meeting minutes, Paul seconds the motion is approved by the group.

NEW BUSINESS

1. UNH Student Projects

- Larry talked to Associate Dean Bob Henry on Oct 3, 2009. Bob indicated they had no qualms about the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sent in spring 2009. Based on his recent conversations with Kevin Gardner, who runs the senior project courses, they are looking for NHSPE to see if there are PE's who can come up with projects the students can use for their course. Bob said he would forward me a list of the projects they have going within the next month to see if there is any support NHSPE can lend.

Larry suggested a signature block be incorporated into the MOU. Roch discussed the UNH projects with ACEC. Matt L. to send Mark Zydel of ACEC a copy of the MOU for review and comment.

2. Treasurer's Report (Dan H.)

- Brief update – Acceptance of Treasurers Report – Dan presented the Treasurer's report to the group for review and discussion. Matt L. motions to approve the 2010 budget, Paul seconds and the motion is approved by the group.
- Larry indicated that the Income Tax Return is due in October.

3. Society Governance

- October Observer edition due – October issue of the Observer will be issued shortly. Transition of the Editor from Erin Wood to Ted Setas for the December issue of the Observer.
- Webmaster status – Josh Bouchard – Craig referred a new web vendor to Josh. Josh will draft a letter to the vendor so another firm could potentially run the NHJES and/or NHSPE website. Josh will be looking into several firms to provide this service.

4. Professional Development and Continuing Education

- **November 5** – UNH Stormwater Seminar – Paul indicated that 16 people are registered for the seminar. A second notice of the event will be issued in the near the near future. Larry suggested sending to ASCE.
- **November 17** - Combined NHSPE and SENH dinner and tour of Pandora Bldg and presentation by the architect. – Ted indicated that the invitation for the event was issued today. Ted said that we have 2 speakers for the presentation. Matt L. suggested sending to AIA. Dan suggested sending to DHR (Matt L. will follow-up).
- **December 15** – DES Alteration of Terrain Update. – Gregg reports that arrangement and the speakers are all set. Larry indicated that the announcement of the meeting has not been sent out yet.
- **February 18, 2010** – E-Week Dinner. Roch indicated that the speaker will be Kelley Aoyette. The EOY and YEOY nominations are forth coming. Roch will coordinate with Erin to get an announcement in the Observer.
- **March tbd** – Possible LEED topic - John will follow-up with Lavallee Brensinger concerning a speaker for this event. Larry suggested a joint meeting with Massachusetts Society of Professional Engineers.
- **April 14, 2010** – New PE Luncheon and Order of the Engineer ceremony - Larry to begin coordinating this event.

- *May 12, 2010* – Possible wind farm topic with Lempster as the focal point. - Larry to coordinate and make arrangements for a speaker.
- *June 16, 17, 23, or 24* - Annual Meeting w/ neighboring SPE (Maine or Vermont). Request into NSPE for participation. – Larry indicated that VSPE has interest in a joint meeting similar to last year.

5. *Public Image and Student Outreach*

- NHSPE John Alger Memorial Scholarship – Larry indicated that a letter is being drafted for the scholarship and MATHCOUNTS (one letter). Dan suggested having a raffle at all events to supplement the award budgets.
- Teacher Award - Matt L. indicated that the application package will go out in the next few weeks. Matt L. asked for donations from 8 to 10 donors so far.
- MATHCOUNTS – Gregg indicated that there is nothing new to report from Ben. Bob Baskerville is not going to be involved with MATHCOUNTS this year. Larry indicated that the state competition will have some help this year.
- NH TechFest at Pinkerton Academy, Nov 14 – Larry spoke with Craig and indicated that this will go on-hold for the time being.
- NH Public Television – MESY Project – Larry indicated that NHPTV is looking for sponsors of the program. Larry will send out email to the group for further discussion.

6. *Government Affairs*

- ACEC Summary – Matt L. has been in touch with Louis Leverta to discuss possible changes in the Joint Board status.

7. *State Society Collaboration*

- October Joint Societies Planning Update – Roch indicated that the next Planning Committee Meeting will be on 5 November 2009. This is a meeting to discuss how the conference did. Next planning meeting will probably be in January. Roch indicated that they need a proposal for the use of the funds (potential use in MATHCOUNTS) by the time of the planning meeting. Gregg agreed to draft the proposal for funding. Roch indicated that next year's topic will be forensics.
- JES Calendar – Roch indicated that the Joint Society Website will be incorporated into the NHSPE website. Proposals from website vendors should distinguish between NHSPE and The Joint Society.

8. *Membership*

- Membership Report – Walter presented the membership report. See Attachment No. 1.
- Fellow membership submittal for Paul Schmidt – Larry indicated that he will put together the application nominating Paul Schmidt.

9. *National/Regional & Other Issues*

- State Delegate Report – Paul will send out written report as follow-up. He indicated the following issues:
 - NSPE is trying to make a better effort to promote NSPE – what they do and why they are important
 - National membership continues to drop
 - Some states have lost 30% of their members in the past 7 years
 - Controversy over whether some states could offer just state membership without national membership
- Northeast Regional Manager Report – Larry indicated that the NE regional manager is J. Duncan from Vermont and the NE secretary will be J. Martin from New York. Ballot are due the end of December. Nominee screening committee consists of B. Gould and P. Schmidt. Next meetings will be in Vermont in 2010, Massachusetts in 2011. Matt L. spoke of getting rid of email lists and using Facebook, Twitter, and Linked-In for distribution of information.

Peter motioned to end meeting, Matt L. second, and the motion was carried by the group.

Respectfully Submitted,

John G. DiGenova, P.E.