



New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers

A state society of the National Society of Professional Engineers

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: Feb. 17 th , 2015 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Location: CMA Engineers, Inc. Langer Place 55 S. Commercial St. Manchester, NH 03101	X	Jason Beaudet, PE (President)*		Matt Low, PE (Teachers Awards)
	X	Ted Setas, PE (Past President)*		Ben Pratt, PE (Mathcounts)
	X	Dirk Grotenhuis, PE (Pres. Elect, Scholar.)*		Bill Straub, PE (QBS Representative)
		Carl Thunberg, PE (Vice President)*		Bob Rotier (Student Outreach)
	X	Julie Whitmore, PE (Secretary)*	X	Larry Dwyer, PE (JES & Eweek Chair)
	X	Chuck Gregory, PE (Treasurer)* (Phone)	X	Scott Carter, PE (Webmaster)
	X	Roch Larochelle, PE (NH - Delegate)*		John Martin, PE (NE - Director)
	X	Gregg Comstock, PE (Director)*	X	Paul Schmidt
		Corey Dietrich, EIT (Dir., Mem. Chair)*		
	X	Nita Patel, PE (Director)*		
Voting Board Member	X	Thalia Valkanos, EIT (Director) (Phone)		

OLD BUSINESS

- January 21, 2015 meeting minutes approval (Julie) – **Voting Item**
 - E-mail vote later this week
 - Jay to initiate vote
 - Approved 3/5/2015

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Treasure's Report (Chuck)*

- Acceptance of Treasurers Report
- Chuck provided an overview of financials
- Jay to provide Chuck reimbursement info from National for mailings. Chuck can then seek reimbursement from National.

2. *Society Governance*

- Next Observer Issue (Ted)
 - a. Issue No. 3 (3/20/2015)
 - b. Articles due 3/13
 - c. Ted to contact previous advertisers
 - d. Include flyer for Seattle National Meeting
 - e. Articles:
 - NSPE National Meeting
 - UNH Stormwater article (Dirk)
 - E-week (Larry)
 - Legislation (Roch)
 - Word from President (Jay)
 - Pulp Mill (Julie)
 - Solicitation for legislative monitor
 - Scholarship (Dirk)
 - Licensure series
 - MathCounts (Gregg/Ben)
 - f. Ted to continue Observer
- Website Update (Scott)
 - Missing Minutes back to 2011 list distributed to Jay
 - E-calendar getting more traffic
 - Potential future E-week registration tweaks
- 2015/2016 BOD Election (Issued 4/1/2015, return by 6/1/2015)
 - Need VP candidates and NHSEE
 - Any potential candidates?
 - Brian Vincent?
 - 2016/2017: Need Teacher's Awards, MathCounts, and Treasurer
 - Need candidates to assume these roles
 - Spread the word!
 - Jay to provide Nita information regarding responsibilities with roles
 - Ballot duties
 - Carl to complete ballots
 - Potentially use electronic vote
 - Conflict between by-laws and operating procedure, which governs?

- Survey monkey?
 - Free version allows up to 10 questions, up to 100 responses
 - \$26/month version allows unlimited questions
 - Seems like free version is the way to go for the first electronic BOD elections
- Ballots due 4/1/15
- Use Constant Contact to solicit potential candidates

3. *Professional Development and Continuing Education*

- Upcoming Meetings
 - a. E-Week
 - Thursday February 26, 2015
 - 130 dinner attendees, another notice to be sent soon
 - Sponsors looking good, some additional coming in, try for some more
 - 40+ seminar attendees
 - Raffle items
 - Photo-op with governor
 - Pictures - Julie
 - b. June Annual Meeting: Officer Inductions (Roch)
 - Thursday June 11, 2015, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Fratellos
 - National confirmed Kodi-Jean Verhalen attendance
 - c. Other potential options (April, May (New PE))
 - Event with IEEE, Planetarium (Nita)
 1. \$900 minimum!
 - Chris Clement New PE Dinner (Thalia)
 1. Mid-May, May 14th or 21st
 2. Thalia to follow-up with Chris this week
 3. Focus on ethics
 - Aerial data for solar and energy in April (Dirk)
 - September meeting (14th to 25th timeframe)
 1. Paul Schmidt to follow-up
 2. Berlin bio-mass facility, converted pulp mill to mass-burn generating plant, consider adding a tour?
 3. Secondary topic potentially
 4. Meet in Portsmouth?
 - Linked-in webinar
 1. April 8th
 2. 20% discount for affiliated members
 3. Another potential member benefit
 4. Roch to find out cost for NHSPE to become affiliate member
 5. Provide e-mail blast and Observer article

4. *Public Image and Student Outreach*

- MATHCOUNTS (Ben /Gregg)
 - Regionals completed
 - State contest to be held on March 7th, snow date is March 21st
 - Looking for volunteers and administration for state competition
 - Send message to membership
- Teacher's Award (Matt L.)
 - 7 applications received
 - At least 2 per school level
 - Rankings distributed to other societies
 - Rankings to be completed and sent back to Matt by March 31st
- NHSPE John Alger Memorial Scholarship (Dirk)
 - Solicitations for students to be distributed
 - NHDES raised about \$200 for scholarship
 - Any other fundraising ideas?
 - Add box to registration to contribute funds for scholarship?
 - Solicitations for fundraising
- New Hampshire Science and Engineering Exposition (NHSEE) (Julie)
 - Sponsorship contribution?
 - Determine how e-week performs
 - Check in with Chuck March 1st

- Soliciting for judges
- Julie to send e-mail to board regarding judging
- UNH Capstone Project (Roch)
 - February 19, 2015 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Gregg Hall (UNH)
 - No snow!
 - Gregg Hall Room 320
 - Roch, Jay, Dirk and Thalia (maybe)
- Freshman Engineering Course EBOK assignment (Paul)
 - Should we consider presenting this to UNH?
 - Reactions?
 - NHSPE could follow-up after course assignment
 - Create it as a tracking tool to continue follow-up
 - What is the purpose of this information and how will it be used?
 - Approach Associate Professor Henry about becoming involved?
 - Report reaction back to national
 - Could reach out to other schools as well

5. *Government Affairs*

- Good Samaritan Law (Roch/Carl)
 - AIA pushing law
 - House vote (2/17/15) delayed
 - NHSPE was never approached to be involved in this bill
 - Law would exempt engineers who volunteer their services in the event of an emergency
 - ACEC trying to get involved in the development of the bill
 - NHSPE submitted letter in support of legislation
 - “Emergency” is vaguely described, wording needs to be improved
 - Jay to send letter of support to Nita to distribute to IEEE

6. *State Society Collaboration*

- NHJES (Larry)
 - Early October for next year’s conference
 - Working on theme
- E-Week (Larry)

7. *Membership*

- Membership Report (Corey)
 - Delinquent members dropped
 - Gained 1 member
- Mail Campaign (Jay)
 - Postcard mailed

8. *National/Regional & Other Issues*

- State Delegate Report (Roch)
- Fellow Member Nomination (Dirk)
 - Completed Roch’s nomination package
 - Package was received and is up for consideration
- 2015 National Meeting: July 15 – 19, 2015, Bellevue, WA
 - Dirk potentially available
 - Roch would likely attend
 - Keep an eye on early-bird registration

Next board meeting, either CMA or Terracon
 Meeting adjourned 8:50pm