



New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers

A state society of the National Society of Professional Engineers

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: March 18 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)
		Ted Setas, PE (Past President)*		Ben Pratt, PE (Mathcounts)
		Dirk Grotenhuis, PE (Pres. Elect, Scholar.)*		Bill Straub, PE (QBS Representative)
	X	Carl Thunberg, PE (Vice President)*	X	Bob Rotier (Student Outreach)
	X	Julie Whitmore, PE (Secretary)*		Larry Dwyer, PE (JES & Eweek Chair)
		Chuck Gregory, PE (Treasurer)*		Scott Carter, PE (Webmaster)
		Roch Larochelle, PE (NH - Delegate)*		John Martin, PE (NE - Director)
	X	Gregg Comstock, PE (Director)*		
	X	Corey Dietrich, EIT (Dir., Mem. Chair)*		
		Nita Patel, PE (Director)*		
Voting Board Member	X	Thalia Valkanos, EIT (Director)		

OLD BUSINESS

- February 17, 2015 meeting minutes approval (Julie) – **Voting Item**
 - Jay motions to approve
 - Gregg seconds
 - Carl abstains
 - Motion passes

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Treasure's Report (Chuck)*

- Acceptance of Treasurers Report
 - E-week just about wrapped up, looks to be a successful event
 - Chuck summarized the accounts and noted financial trends compared to last year
 - In general, meetings were less profitable and NHSPE donated more money this year
 - Carl noted that we still need to pursue reimbursement from national for the membership mailing

2. *Society Governance*

- Next Observer Issue (Ted)
 - a. Issue No. 3 (3/20/2015)
 - Articles received
 - To be released on time
 - b. Issue No. 4 (articles 6/19/2015, distributed 6/26/2015)
 - Articles for membership meetings
 - Scholarship award
 - Board members
 - Word from the President
 - Open position descriptions
- Website Update (Scott)
 - No updates
 - Corey to look into member registration on national website
- 2015/2016 BOD Election (Issued 4/1/2015, return by 6/1/2015)
 - Bios to be included in e-mail as separate document with link to survey monkey
 - Jay requested that the e-mail also include a hard copy of the mail-in ballot
 - Dirk mentioned in an e-mail if we should provide a write-in on the ballot and suggested we add a deadline
 - The board decided not to include a write-in on the ballot
 - Carl set up survey monkey account, which means results will be directed to Carl
 - The board decided this is an acceptable situation, but Carl to look into an alias e-mail to use that will direct e-mails to Shelley
 - Otherwise, Carl will just forward results to Corey
 - Need VP candidates and NHSEE
 - Pursuing VP candidates
 - If candidate not selected before vote, will need to bring in candidate early next year
 - Otherwise, carry-over may need to be considered
 - 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

3. *Professional Development and Continuing Education*

- Upcoming Meetings
 - a. E-Week
 - Thursday February 26, 2015
 - Successful event!
 - Great seminars and keynote speaker
 - Passed hors d'oeuvres was different this year, but ok
 - Continuing to focus on technical sessions and sponsorship will make the event successful
 - Need attendance sheet to follow NSPE guidelines
 - 1. Need to include location and instructors
 - 2. Need signature on attendance sheet, too
 - Week of February 21st – 27th next year
 - Should we consider hosting it outside of e-week?
 - Revisit next meeting
 - b. April Meeting: Drones (Dirk)
 - Thursday April 16, 2015, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Puritan Backroom
 - Flyer to membership by the end of the week
 - Suite, \$500 food minimum, \$50 bar fee, buffet
 - Dessert – plated dessert or table dessert
 - 1. Table dessert with assorted pieces
 - Buffet menu selected
 - c. May Meeting: New PE Dinner/ Chris Clement (Thalia)
 - Thursday May 14, 2015, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Fratellos
 - Modified buffet, prices will be changing after this event
 - Need to create flyer to distribute
 - Thalia to pull together flyer, Jay to complete logistics
 - d. June Annual Meeting: Officer Inductions w/ Kodi Jean Verhalen (Roch)
 - Thursday June 11, 2015, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Fratellos
 - Jay coordinated with Kodi and VT
 - Jay will mention the event to ME and MA
 - e. Future Meetings
 - September – Berlin Project (Paul)
 - 1. Pull together meeting information now to be ready for release in August
 - November – UNH Stormwater
 - 1. Coordinate the event earlier
 - 2. Different than previous events, but would like to pursue this type of event again
 - October – JES
 - December – DES
 - February – E-week

4. *Public Image and Student Outreach*

- MATHCOUNTS (Ben /Gregg)
 - State competition completed
 - Went well
 - Switched up target and sprint rounds, which helped graders to be more efficient
 - Peter King spoke and promoted NHSPE and STEM careers
 - Larry to reach out to Len to consider coordinating the competition
- Teacher's Award (Matt L.)
 - Rankings due from societies by March 20th
 - Rankings compiled and checked next week
 - Winners selected, then presentations in May/June
 - \$600 collected for this year's program
- NHSPE John Alger Memorial Scholarship (Dirk)
 - E-mail for request of application went out a couple weeks ago
 - Updated application uploaded to website this week
 - Applications due April 30th
 - Thalia to help review applications and determine winners
 - Need to update previous winners on website
 - Will send out donor/pledge requests in April

- New Hampshire Science and Engineering Exposition (NHSEE) (Julie)
 - Sponsorship contribution?
 - Carl moves to donate \$100
 - Jay seconds motion
 - Will move to electronic vote
 - Larry amended motion to \$200
 - Science fair tomorrow (3/19)
 - Sponsorship growing, crowdrise website setup to accept donations
 - Will likely be able to send student to Inetl ISEF (international science fair)
- UNH Capstone Project (Roch/Jay)
 - Jay and Roch attended presentation
 - Students found local solar producer
 - \$500 presented from NHSPE and \$500 from NHJES
- Freshman Engineering Course EBOK
 - Jay, Roch, and Paul to talk with Professor Henry about incorporating into engineering program
 - 1 day assignment incorporated into existing class
- NH Public Television
 - Approached NHSPE to donate or be involved with the cause
 - Annual live TV spring auction in April
 - Looking for volunteers to answer phones or for donations
 - Board decided this year does not work for financial support
- Need to determine philosophical endeavors as part of the budget
 - Who/what organization to contribute to annually and how much

5. *Government Affairs*

- Good Samaritan Law (Roch/Carl)
 - Passed the house, moving to senate
 - Committee established to evaluate language of House Bill 292
 - Regardless of wording, NHSPE supports it
- Legislative Monitor
 - Carl expressed interest in monitoring legislature
 - Carl noted that there are actually 3 bills on the table that include legislature
 - Merging boards is an example of a current bill moving through legislature
- Maryland HB 752 & SB 738
 - There was an exemption that allowed unlicensed engineers in responsible charge to practice
 - NSPE does not support this and issued a statement as such

6. *State Society Collaboration*

- NHJES (Larry)
 - Meeting at UNH next month
 - 1st week of October for annual event
- E-Week (Larry)
 - See above for updates and overview
 - Start thinking about keynote speaker
 - Should we consider themed topics again?
- NHQBS Dues
 - Talk to Bill Straub about the organization and its function

7. *Membership*

- Membership Report (Corey)
 - Membership issues continue, which Corey is still trying to work through
 - Student numbers growing

8. *National/Regional & Other Issues*

- State Delegate Report (Roch)
 - No updates
- 2015 National Meeting: July 15 – 19, 2015, Bellevue, WA
 - Registration not open yet
 - Dirk and Roch to determine financial commitment
 - Carl on deck if Dirk cannot make it

Meeting adjourned 8:40