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**Greetings Section Members-**

For those of you who missed the section meeting, I have great news to announce, we have a Treasurer. Brett Ballavance of Wenck Associates has graciously accepted a role on the Duluth Section Board. Please join me in welcoming him.

However, we are still one person down. We have the Secretary position yet to fill. We have had a few parties that have shown interest but we have yet to get a commitment. Per my previous message and emails, we need a full board to function properly; please let any board member know if you or someone you know is interested.

Moving on, we are still in need of speakers for the year, the section meetings are a great opportunity for you to showcase yourself or your company. Please contact any of the board members if you are interested, or have an idea; we as a board are willing to do the leg work.

Looking forward this year, I would like to document my goals for the section this:,

- Fill the board, and set up the board to be full going forward.
  - Utilize the past president group to inspire new leadership.
  - Build upon our Past President's (Tom DesMarais) goal of improving our "Community Service Events", "Public Services Project", and "Diversity and Inclusion"
  - Strengthen the connection between the UMD Student Section and the membership.

I trust that I have your support in tackling these items. And if anyone is interested in sharing your thoughts, please contact me or best yet, come to a board meeting. I would like to thank our visitors to last board meeting. Your presence and commentary was much appreciated.

Lastly, please see page 5 of this newsletter for a much anticipated membership update. Thanks Tom Donofrio!

Respectfully

Joe Butler
Duluth Section President

Interested in submitting an article for the ASCE newsletter or becoming a Board Member?

Contact Joe Butler (newsletter editor) for information at 218.624.4967 or jbutler@braunintertec.com. Thanks.

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2018-2019

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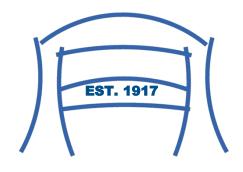
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# Please join us for a Unique Presentation November 13, 2018 at 12:00 pm Radisson Hotel



"Highway 1/169 Improvements; Eagles Nest Project"

Michael Kalnbach, P.E.
Assistant District Engineer Program Development

Please RSVP by responding directly to the electronic invitation you will receive via e-mail.

# Professional rate is \$20. Student rate is \$10.

Costs will be collected at the door or in advance.

ASCE Duluth Section will issue a PDH certificate to members in good standing. It is the responsibility of the individual to determine whether

or not the presentation is applicable to his/her career.

# Membership and Board Meetings for 2018-2019

# **Membership Meetings**

November 13, 2018
December 4, 2018 (UMD)
January 15, 2019
February 19, 2019
March 19, 2019
April 16, 2019 (Awards Dinner)
May 21, 2019

#### **Board Meetings**

November 14, 2018 December 12, 2018 January 24, 2019 February 27, 2019 March 27, 2019 April 24, 2019 May 22, 2019



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### ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes - October 24, 2018

Meeting Attendees were Chris Rousseau, Lisa Karlgaard, Andrew Kilpo, Rose Henkel, Joe Butler, Brett Ballavence, Orion Cannon

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm. A quorum was present.

Motion was made to approve September meeting minutes. Andrew made a motion to approve the minutes and Joe seconded it. Minutes were approved unanimously.

UMD Student Update: No update.

YMG discussion: No update.

**Treasurer's Report:** Checking: \$9,908.13; Savings: \$6,975.39

Tom found checks and contacted national for refund.

Andrew to email Tom to get in contact with the Depot to pay for the room reservations for the ethics presentation.

**Speakers:** October Luncheon Pre-meeting speaker: Mustafa Igdelioglu – MNSEA (Minn Structural Engineers Association) and October Luncheon speaker: Dean Sather and Allison Lange Mueller – Understanding Cultural Resources

- Andrew sent out invites through constant contact.
- Still need November luncheon speaker.

#### Presentation Ideas:

Minnesota Report Card

Incoming president at last meeting in spring (would need to be requested early and be at a nice venue). UMD Engineer's without Borders Guatemala trip presentation. Also have a new project they hope to do. Brett to send Andrew, Jordan's contact info. Possibly have for December luncheon.

**Board Meeting Schedule:** Potentially move all meetings to Wednesday nights instead of Thursday. Will need to confirm that this will work with new board members. Tuesday could also work.

**Newsletter Update:** Submissions due October 30<sup>th</sup>, Joe to send out November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Will include president's message, membership letter (Tom to provide), article about Bob Rhodes (Chris to provide), and other remembrances.

**Membership:** No update.



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# **ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes (continued)**

# **Ongoing Business:**

- Board Member Vacancies
- Board Transition Plan Will transition before next board meeting.
- Past President Meeting Joe has list from Tom. Joe to send out invites soon.
- ASCE Apparel The Section to coordinate with Chris Morris on clothing order forms.
- PE Study Groups decided to leave it to the younger member group to work on this.
- Radisson Contract Tabled.

#### Matrix:

- Needs updating once board members are found.
- Tom to send email to national about current board members.
- Rose updated letterhead. Will need to add new board members when vacancies get filled. Rose to add last year's information to be saved to Higher Logic.
- Lisa provided information for what should be saved to Higher Logic.

#### **New Business:**

 Mentoring Program: Chris would like to get a mentoring program going at UMD. Chris to send board program application example. UMD did start an all major mentor program not too long ago. Could potentially add a civil group to the program. Joe to ask at the next luncheon to see if there would be any interest from the section. Look into a mentoring program for the civil engineering technology students at Lake Superior College.

Next Board Meeting: November 14, 2018 @ Carmody's @ 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned: 5:42 pm.



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ASCE Membership Update (10-31-18)

There 281 ASCE Duluth Section members in the following grades of ASCE membership:

# Distinguished (formerly called Honorary Members): 0

Begun in 1853, Distinguished Membership is ASCE's highest recognition and among the Society's oldest honors. It is reserved for ASCE Members or Fellows who demonstrate eminence in some branch of engineering or in its related arts and sciences.

# Fellow (includes 2 life members): 3

ASCE Fellows have made celebrated contributions and developed creative solutions that change lives around the world. It is a prestigious honor held by 3% of ASCE members.

# Member (includes 22 life members): 157

Licensed Professional Engineers (P.E.) or Professional Land Surveyors (P.L.S.), or those with the appropriate combination of education and experience.

# Associate (includes 1 life member): 62

Primarily graduate engineers.

# Affiliate (includes 3 life members): 5

Individuals who have an interest in advancing the purpose and objectives of ASCE and are not students or classically trained engineers or scientists.

#### Student: 54

Students who are enrolled at least half-time and a member of an ASCE Student Chapter, or enrolled at a school eligible for a student organization that doesn't have one.

# Life Member: 28

An individual who has made a lifetime commitment to ASCE and the civil engineering profession by remaining a member for the full length of their professional career.

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