

Indiana Section Board Meeting Minutes  
June 1, 2002 at 10:00AM  
ATC Associates Inc.  
7988 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 100  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Call to Order

1. Introduction of Attendees:

Ali Abufares  
Tim Wells  
Ward Martin  
David Kollmeyer  
Dave Warder  
George Blandford, Director, District 9  
Marvin Obermeyer

3. Review/Additions to Agenda: The Agenda was approved, with the addition of the following items:  
6g - Darrel Baaken's Book, 6h - Section E-Room, and 7d - District 9 Council replacement for  
Giavonni Puccini were added

4. Minutes of January 19, 2002 Meeting: Dave Warder and Marvin Obermeyer will review these minutes and distribute them at the next Board meeting.

5. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report –Tim Wells gave a verbal report and will submit a written report at the next meeting with an annual summary. We have approximately \$29,000 in our Merrill Lynch Money Market account.
- b. Secretary's Report –Marvin Obermeyer had no report. He and Dave Warder will assemble the minutes from the previous meeting of January 19, 2002.
- c. Newsletter – Ward Martin distributed a copy of the June newsletter, which will be mailed on approximately June 17. The next issue will be in November. Ward is not receiving much information from the branches. Ali said he will see that Ward is placed on the email address list of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Branch. Ward is also looking for assistance in obtaining sponsors for the newsletter. He asked that leads be conveyed to him at 574-254-0813.
- d. Correspondence: No correspondence was distributed.

6. New Business

- a. Status and use of Section monetary reserves: Dave Kollmeyer will assemble a group to discuss what, if anything, should be done at this time with the Section monetary reserves. The Board discussed the possibility of setting up a scholarship fund. This will go on the agenda for the August meeting
- b. Travel reimbursement for Section officers and District 9 delegates: The following limits were decided upon for the expenses: Mileage at \$0.30/m (or plane fare) plus Per Diem of \$75.00/day and the registration cost for District 9 Council meeting. The President's expenses to the National meeting are to be reimbursed in full. Airline tickets are to be scheduled at least 2 weeks in advance for Coach Fare.

- c. 2002 – 2003 officers will be: Ali Abufares, President; Tim Wells, Vice President; Marvin Obermeyer, Secretary. Ken Herceg is to nominate a candidate for the Treasurer position. The Board was in agreement it would be best to find someone from a branch other than the Metro Indianapolis Branch.
- d. Archiving Section history: The Board decided the following information should be maintained: Board meeting minutes, photographs, newsletters, annual financial reports, and annual meeting reports. Dave Kollmeyer said he will address this and contact Brad Spring to convey the information.
- e. Indiana Structural Engineers Association: This group is organizing and is separate from ASCE. The Board agreed that no action is necessary.
- f. ASCE Mini-Management Conference: There has been some interest in this event, which will tentatively be Monday, September 23, at the Caesars Indiana Hotel near New Albany, Indiana. George Blandford said he will contact each branch president regarding this. Dave Warder will email information to the branch presidents and other Section Board members.
- g. Darrel Baaken has written a book about the Indianapolis Water Company Canal that focuses on the history of the canal. The Board agreed that a news article regarding the book could be included in the Section Newsletter and that branches would be free to invite Darrel as a speaker at branch meetings. However, it would not be a good precedent to promote the book further.
- h. ASCE E-Room: The Board was in agreement that the Section does not wish to participate in the E-Room at this time. Dave Warder will notify ASCE National of this decision.

## 7. Old Business

- a. Annual Section Meeting Report – While financial results are not yet final, Ali Abufares reported that the Section meeting income exceeded expenses by approximately \$2,200. Ali's distributed a meeting summary report. The meeting, which was held at the Fountains banquet hall in Carmel, was considered by all to be a success. Tim Wells will be chair the 2003 annual meeting. Tim said he will send Ali a summary of expenses from the 2002 meeting.
- b. ASCE 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Jay Fredrich, the champion for the Indiana Section, was not present to make a report.
- c. Joint Society Governmental Affairs Committee: Dave Warder will call Ken Herceg to determine whether he has been participating.
- d. District 9 Council – We have 3 delegate positions open at the time, these being replacements for Mike Wenning, Giovanni Puccini, and Tom Descoteaux. Matt Crane has expressed an interest in replacing Mike Wenning. Dave Warder will contact Matt as well Chris Gwaltney regarding a replacement from the Southwest Branch for Giovanni and Robert Houghtalen at Rose Hulman regarding a replacement for Tom Descoteaux.

## 8. Next Meeting – 08/24/02 @ ATC Associates Inc. @ 10:00AM

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin Obermeyer, Secretary