Section Meeting Minutes ASCE ND Section Spring Meeting May 3, 2012

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The 2012 Annual Spring Meeting of the ND Section of ASCE was held at the Doublewood Inn in Fargo on Thursday, May 3, 2012. Vice-President Tony Eukel commenced the business meeting at about 7:20 pm.

### 1) Previous Minutes

a. The minutes from the 2011 Fall Meeting held on September 22, 2011 were reviewed and approved.

# 2) President's Report

a. No report.

# 3) Treasurer's Report

- a. Brandon Oye presented the treasurer's report for review. The total expenses were \$2,951.32. The total deposits were \$3,516.66. The ending balance as of May 3, 2012 is \$8,083.27. The financial report is attached to the minutes. The treasurer's report was reviewed and approved. Moved by R. Anderson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Klabunde.
- b. Brandon reported that the North Dakota Section received a \$1,000 check from ASCE National for the 2011 Section Renewal Race Winner.

# 4) Old Business

### a. Continuing Education Committee Report

- i. The committee chair, Matt Walsvik, is currently looking at ideas for a continuing education event to plan. He stated he will email the group when he has an event to pursue.
- ii. It was mentioned that ASCE National will help host a speaker.

#### **b.** Public Relations

- i. Jodi Jorjorian stated that she would be able to assist with the creation of the ND Section website. Joni stated that she could assist in creating a blog for the website. She said she will get in contact with the Jerod Klabunde to develop.
- ii. Brandon Oye stated that he has started a Facebook group called "ASCE North Dakota Section" and asked members that are on Facebook to join the group. It will be used as another source to keep members updated.

#### c. Awards Committee

- i. Eakalak Kahn stated that he would select a student member for the NDSU Student Chapter Outstanding Student Award. This amount has previously been \$100.
- ii. Charles Moretti stated that he would assist on selecting a student member for the UND award.

### 5) New Business

# a. Officer Election

- i. Ballots were counted with the following results
  - 1. President: Don Anderson
  - 2. President-Elect: Dean Rasmuson
  - 3. Vice-President: Tony Eukel
  - 4. Secretary-Treasurer: Brandon Oye
- ii. There was a discussion on changing the Bylaws to have sliding officers, with the exception of Secretary-Treasurer. The group was in favor of making this change. The changes will need to be approved by ASCE National.

The business portion of the meeting was closed at about 8:00 pm.

### 6) Presentation

- a. Jim Brown of Whiting Petroleum Corporation gave a presentation about the oil and gas production taking place out in western North Dakota, what technical methods they use to find and extract oil and gas, what new technology they are implementing, what engineering obstacles they encounter in the field and where the future of the oil and gas business is headed.
- b. Jim stated that the Bakken has one of the best sources of quality oil in the world. Over 558,000 barrels of oil per day are currently being created.