Section Meeting Minutes ASCE ND Section Fall Meeting September 27, 2012

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1) Previous Minutes

a. The minutes from the 2012 Annual Spring Meeting held on May 3, 2012 were reviewed and approved. Motion Khan, 2nd Gross.

2) President's Report

- a. Don stated that 20-30 years ago he was President. He asked all attendees to do introductions.
- b. He stated that ASCE National has all officers on their website, so we need to get a website set up to have link.
- c. He said we should encourage students to attend the Section meetings.

3) Treasurer's Report

a. The treasurer's report did not copy on the backside of the Meeting Agenda as intended (forgot 2 sided copy option). Approval of the Treasure's Report was tabled until the Annual Spring Meeting.

4) Committee Reports

- a. Continuing Education Committee Report
 - i. Matt Walsvik was no longer going to be able to head this committee.
 - ii. Dave Sethre recommended doing a monthly Lunch & Learn. He just needs someone to set up the meetings and get things going. Discussed charging a fee for non-ASCE members. He is not opposed to doing presentations in Grand Forks. Could also do a web broadcast.
- iii. ASCE has archived continuing education programs. John Frauenhoffer will get us info on these.
- iv. Our organization can focus on Civil Engineering topics rather than general engineering topics. This is an important part of what we provide.

b. Membership Committee Report

- i. Don Anderson stated that we need to pursue new members. We should have 50 people attending meetings.
- ii. Need to develop what we offer new members.
- iii. Could call newer members and make sure they renew their membership.

c. Volunteer Committee Report

- i. FM Engineer's Club volunteers with pizza at the FE test and toothpick bridge competition
- ii. Bison Best Robotics needs volunteers, Space Theme
 - 1. Middle school and High School students
 - 2. Nancy Rossland is NDSU contact
 - 3. Two day event, Friday and Saturday
 - 4. Not a big commitment from volunteers
 - iii. John Frauenhoffer will get us info on other possible ideas

d. Public Relations

- Website Update
 - 1. The members were agreeable to pursuing purchasing a website.
 - 2. Brandon Oye will look at pricing for professional development
- ii. Engineer's Week
 - 3. Fargo Forum previously did a section on Engineers during Engineers Week. Newspapers will work with non-profits.
 - 4. Need to make a contact to a newspaper
 - 5. Look at putting in an advertisement about ASCE with other company's ads during this time
 - 6. Try to collaborate with other societies
- iii. Brandon Oye stated that he has set up a "ASCE ND Section" Facebook page to provide updates to members on.
- e. John Frauenhoffer ASCE Region 3 Governor Report
 - i. The Governor job is to help the Section in any way possible
 - ii. He plans to meet with the ND Section officers in late November to do a brainstorming session
- iii. Don Anderson said he appreciates him getting involved at the local level

5) Old Business

- a. Awards Committee
 - i. Student Chapter Outstanding Student Award
 - 1. Dr. Khan recommended that the NDSU Student Chapter Outstanding Student Award should go to Brian Knorr. He said Brian is very involved in the student chapter and Concrete Canoe.
 - 2. UND will pick a student member to receive the award. Dan Landrus? UND Student Chapter Graduate Student
 - 3. There was discussion to increase the student award amount from \$100 to \$250. Motion Sukhvarsh, 2nd Mamaghani
- b. Discussion of Sliding Officers, with exception of Secretary-Treasurer
 - i. The members were in agreement of changing to sliding officers. Motion Gross, 2nd Khan.

6) New Business

- a. ASCE ND Student Chapter Support
 - i. Discussion was to provide UND and NDSU Student Chapters \$500 each of financial support. Motion Khan, 2nd J. Klabunde
- b. ASCE UND Student Chapter Update
 - a. Starting to discuss the Steel Bridge Competition over Spring Break
 - b. May do the Concrete Canoe instead due to schedule

Don Anderson stated that we should plan for an April spring meeting.

The business meeting was closed and turned over to the speakers Hank Hauge to present on "Solutions with Self Consolidating Concrete" and Dave Sethre to present on "Construction Issues with Concrete Flatwork".