

ASCE ND Section Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, April 2, 2015

Location: The Biltmore, Fargo

Time: 12:00 PM

Attendees: Murali Vegi – Vice-President
Tony Eukel – President-Elect
Brandon Oye – Secretary-Treasurer
Jerod Klabunde – Volunteer Events Chairperson
Tom Klabunde – Continuing Education Chairperson

1) Report on ASCE Legislative Fly-In

- a. Jerod Klabunde and Chris Gross attended on March 24-26 in Washington, D.C.
- b. Got briefed on federal issues, 3 different bills being discussed in legislature
 - i. Fixing the Highway Trust Fund: The UPDATE Act
 - ii. Water Resources Reform & Development Act implementation
 - iii. Fixing the Highway Trust Fund: Surface Transportation Reauthorization
- c. Held meetings with Senator Hoeven, Senator Heitkamp, and the Chief of Staff for Representative Cramer
 - i. Each office was supportive of infrastructure
- d. Jerod and Chris recommended to continue sending an Officer member with a non-Officer member.
- e. More info on Fly-In can be found at <http://www.asce.org/fly-in-attendees/>

2) Continuing Education Committee

- a. Will be providing 4 PDHs at Annual Meeting

3) Volunteer Programs Committee

- a. Held Firm Crawl on February 5th
- b. Did 2 locations with 45 minutes at each location
 - i. Houston Engineering
 - ii. City of Fargo
- c. Had 2 groups of 5 attend, total of 10 attendees
- d. Students wrote Thank-You letters to companies
- e. Talked about doing 2nd Firm Crawl this school year
 - i. Look at asking Sandman Engineering for structural
 - ii. Could also talk to Architect company
 1. Possibly LJA, JLG or Zerr Berg

4) Membership Committee

- a. Need to look at acknowledging the Life Members at the Annual Meeting
- b. Need to engage the ASCE student members and keep them in ASCE as they start their career

- c. Encourage each member to bring one guest to the Annual Meeting
- d. Encourage attendees at Lunch & Learns to attend the Annual Meeting
- e. Need to talk at Annual Meeting about how ASCE is involved at a larger National level and our Section needs to be more involved at the State level
- f. We should reach out to the FM Engineers Board about collaborating on some events with them. Jerod will talk to Chris Gross who is the FM Engineers Secretary.

5) Spring Meeting

- a. Will be held at the Baymont Inn on Thursday, April 16
- b. 4 speakers to be presenting
 - i. Chris Gross and Andrew Aakre – Oxbow Ring Levee
 - ii. Karla Olsen – Dickinson water Reclamation Facility
 - iii. Brad Shaffer – Effective Drainage Solutions – Corrugated Steel Pipe and Bridges
 - iv. John Frauenhoffer – Sewer Rehabilitation
- c. Murali will provide PDH Certificates for speakers
- d. Increase registration fee to \$35 to cover additional costs of drinks and snacks
- e. Brandon Oye needs to get Constant Contact going for the Fall Meeting to assist with registration and payment

6) EWRI Chapter

- a. Brandon Oye will talk to Kurt Lysne about getting an update on interest from members of FM Engineers to start the Board for the Chapter

7) Website

- a. Tony is still having issues updating information. Need to contact National technical help.

8) ASCE Region 3 Assembly

- a. Will be held on August 14-15 in Chicago
- b. We will ask the new Vice-President to attend the Assembly

9) ASCE Shirt

- a. Will get Golf polos with ND Section on the logo if possible
- b. We will order for officers and chairpersons with some extras – 10 total