

ND ASCE SECTION BOARD MINUTES

Thursday, November 14th, 2019 – 12:00-1:00 PM
Conference Call

Prepared by: Ravi Yellavajjala

In attendance: Beena Ajmera, Yaping Chi, Alexa Ducioame, Dylan Dunn, Tom Klabunde, Vicki Schneider, and Ravi Yellavajjala.

Call to Order and Welcome: Vice-President, Yaping Chi, called the business meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved with a couple of changes (Alexa Ducioame)

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved (Alexa Ducioame)

Financial Report: Treasurer Beena Ajmera has no new updates.

Continuing Business

Continuing education chair: Nick Moore from Sandman SE was requested by Ravi to serve as the continuing education chair for Fargo region. Nick inquired about the term length of this ervice position. The officers wanted someone to serve in this role for atleast 2 years with the possibility of renewing for one more year.

Why Join ASCE flyer: Alexa has no updates on this.

ASCE website headshots: Alison Hanslip is not available for the updates.

NDSU and UND student representatives: Ravi nominated Zackary Nellermoe from NDSU and his contact details were sent to Alexa. Alexa agreed to provide Zack with conference call details. Immediate past President Daba Gedafa is not available for updates.

New Business

ASCE fly-in: Alexa announced that there is one vacant spot for both January ASCE multi-region leadership conference and march legislative fly-in. Beena accepted to attend the January leadership conference. No other officer is available for the March legislative fly-in. The board collectively decided to pass on this opportunity to report card members. Alexa agreed to communicate this opportunity to the report card members.

ASCE/ NDSPE joint spring meeting: Alexa announced that the ND Society of Professional Engineers will organize their annual meeting in Fargo next spring. A proposal is made to organize a joint ASCE/NDSPE spring meeting to attract more ASCE members, reduce the burden of finding speakers and providing more value to the ASCE members (price per PDH). Alexa, Yaping and Beena will meet NDSPE members to discuss the possibility of organizing this joint meeting.

NDSU ASCE: Ravi requested the board members to help him organize a UND vs. NDSU event. He proposed steel versus concrete structures debate. Beena suggested a Jeopardy style competition that involves all civil engineering disciplines. Ravi mentioned that the final call will be made by the new officers and the future ASCE adviser.

UND ASCE: UND is organizing regional steel bridge competition this year (March 27th and 28th). UND may require help with finding judges and organizers. ND ASCE section board members agreed to either volunteer or suggest volunteers for organizing this event.

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Committee Chair Reports

- a) **Report card chair**
Brandon Oye has no updates
- b) **Continuing education chair**
I-Hsuan Ho is not available
- c) **Volunteer committee chair**
Vicki Schneider has no updates
- d) **Membership/ social chair**
Dylan Dunn has no updates.
- e) **Webmaster/ social media chair**
Alison Hanslip is not available

Announcements

None

Adjourn

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:40 PM.