St. Louis Chapter of the Geo-Institute
Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: December 7, 2018, 7:30 am
Meeting Location: Geotechnology, 11816 Lackland Road Suite 150, St. Louis MO
Meeting Attendees: Shari Cunningham (Chair), Jake Schaeffer (Vice-Chair), Pravin Jha (Secretary/Treasurer), Dennis Boll, Chris Mathews, Dr. Abdolreza Osouli, Dr. Ronaldo Luna, Lyle Simonton (Phone)

1. Finance Update:

2. ASCE Section New Website:
   a. ASCE St. Louis section is planning to come up with a new website and is open for suggestions.
   b. Pravin suggested to have a section which showcase the past and future events of the chapter.
   c. Dr. Osouli suggested to have technical links and calendar of events on the website.
   d. It was also suggested to have some sort of notice board.
   e. Dr. Ronaldo suggested to have more interactive website with some sort of forum.
   f. Dr. Osouli suggested to open up a Facebook or LinkedIn page for G-I chapter which can be more interactive.
   g. Chris offered to volunteer for starting and running a LinkedIn page for St. Louis G-I chapter.

3. Webinars in February:
   a. Registration will be opening up soon for 2/1/19 webinar on topic ‘Observation method for scour: A new tool for the bridge engineer’.
   b. Venue will be at the Geotechnology.

4. ASCE Luncheon in March:
   a. Suggestion open for speakers and topics.
   b. Speaker needs to be confirmed by February 1, 2019.
   c. General discussion was held on several possible topics and speakers.

5. Case Histories Night:
   a. It was suggested to set a date which is far from the date of GeoMO and avoid spring break for schools.
   b. Jake to check with Engineer’s Club.
6. **Election:**
   a. It was informed that there will be a general election in spring for the position of Secretary/Treasurer.

7. **Continuing Education – SIUE/SLU:**
   a. Dr. Ronaldo and Dr. Osouli proposed continuing education training program for young professionals in collaboration with SIUE and SLU.
   b. It will be a face to face learning workshop event of 1 or 2 days.
   c. It was decided to send a survey/questionnaire through G-I to consultant/contractors to see if there is an interest in the program.

8. **Next meeting:**
   a. **Date and Time:** January 11, 2018 at 7:30 am
   b. **Location:** THD Design Group, 148 Chesterfield Industrial Boulevard, Suite E, Chesterfield MO 63005