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Present: Jacob Rushlow, Ron Brenke, Brad Ewart, Tim Bradshaw, Andrew Rossell, Lucas Porath, Therese Kline, Chris Owen

Absent: None

Dial in:

- 1. Meeting called to order at 9:02 am J. Rushlow
- 2. Agenda (tabling 5a to February meeting) approved unanimously with motion by B. Ewart and second by T. Bradshaw.
- 3. December meeting minutes approved unanimously with motion by T. Bradshaw and second by B. Ewart.
- 4. Correspondence
  - a. Branches
    - U.P. Branch
      - working on getting active
        - (a) Drafting bylaws
        - (b) Planning first meeting Feb 19
        - (c) Planning the NHCEL dedication ceremony for Portage Lake lift bridge (June 19, 2020) - working to line up speakers - National President Kancheepuram Gunalan (Guna) will be attending. Project manager from initial bridge design/construction will also attend.
    - ii. Western Branch leadership change (need to update on the website)
    - iii. L/J Branch Dream Big viewing at Celebration Cinema on March 3, 2020 at 5:30 PM

## b. National

- i. MGAM referral program
  - Discussed ongoing efforts with Michigan colleges/universities
- ii. Phishing scam using Branch and Section officers, Region Governors and Directors e-mail addresses claiming to need gift card purchases. Report to ASCE General Counsel, Tara Hoke (thoke@asce.org), to report any issues
- c. Region 3 Update Therese Kline, Region 3 Governor
  - i. Region 3 Assembly being planned for July 23-26 in Cleveland
  - ii. Region 3 Assembly will be in Michigan in 2021
  - iii. Potential for Michigan to host 2021 Region 3 Assembly looking into Grand Rapids

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- d. Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (Joseph Johnson)
  - i. Joint social/technical event or gathering with ASCE
  - ii. Looking to work with SE Branch and/or Western Branch
- 5. Treasurer's Report
  - a. LPL Financial Mike Dagher
    - i. M. Dagher cancelled because of illness, so tabling this until February meeting
  - b. Section Financials
    - i. Dec 19 Financial Report
  - c. Review of Financial Statements
    - i. J. Rushlow will reach out to M. Dagher with questions about Mackinac Fund we will discuss in person at our February meeting
  - d. Payment of Bills
- 6. Committee Reports
  - a. Scholarship
    - i. Selection process guidelines Chris Owen
  - b. Awards
    - i. Nomination due April 1
  - c. QBS Coalition Meeting J. Rushlow
    - Next meeting is scheduled for 2/18
    - ii. Sending information quarterly to different groups (2,500 county commissioners last month)
  - d. Legislative updates
    - i. SB/HB updates/discussion
    - ii. R. Brenke provided update regarding Certificate of Merit bill
    - iii. J. Rushlow reminded that lead copper rules comment period ends February 13th
  - e. Communications/Publications Newsletter
  - f. Webpage updates
    - i. Approved meeting minutes (pdf format)
    - ii. Branch leadership contact with links to e-mail addresses

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- g. Infrastructure Conference: May 12, 2020, Kalamazoo J. Rushlow
  - i. Planning Committee met 1/8
  - ii. Working to line up speakers
    - Working with Doug Cartland leadership speaker
  - iii. Next meeting TBD
- 7. Old Business
  - a. MRLC for Regions 3,6,7: January 9-11, 2020 Detroit
    - i. Report will be forthcoming
- 8. New Business
  - a. None
- 9. Upcoming Events
  - a. Legislative Fly-In Washington DC, March 11-12, 2020 Tim Bradshaw
  - b. AESLC Legislative Day Lansing, March 17, 2020
  - c. Construction Science Expo Detroit, May 19, 2020
- 10. Next Section Board meeting dates (conference call) at 9:00 AM
  - a. Rescheduled for February 18, 2020 in person
  - b. March 31, 2020
  - c. April 28, 2020
- 11. Adjournment at 10:22 am with motion by B. Ewart and second by A. Rossell