

## ASCE ND Section Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 8, 2018

Location: Phone Conference between Officers and Chairs

Time: 12:00 PM

### 1) Officer Reports

- a. President (Murali Vegi):
  - i. Murali discussed about the ASCE Dream Big DVD public school distribution. Alexa will look into schools in the state for fundraising.
- b. President-Elect (Daba Gedafa):
  - i. Daba discussed the ASCE Legislative Fly-In.
- c. Vice President (Alexa Ducioame):
  - i. Alexa discussed the ND Constitution and Bylaws. Our Board is scheduled to vote on them on our April 12 Board meeting.
  - ii. We are still waiting on speakers for the Section meeting (scheduled April 26).
  - iii. A nominating committee is in order to help seek out candidates for the Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary roles this year. Tony and Brandon have been selected as our Section's nominating committee.
- d. Secretary (Nick Kalenze):
  - i. Nick discussed the ASCE Legislative Fly-In and that he will send the request to Section members to send nominees for the officer roles to the nominating committee.
- e. Treasurer (Navaratnam Leelaruban):
  - i. Leelan reported that our Section has a bank balance at \$9,621.
  - ii. Our Section is looking at potential fundraising opportunities. Some examples include companies willing to support the report card efforts.
- f. Past President (Tony Eukel): Not present.

### 2) Committee Chair Reports

- a. Report Card Chair (Brandon Oye): Not present.
- b. Continuing Education (Tom Klabunde, Fargo and I-Hsuan Ho, Grand Forks):
  - i. I-Hsuan was present and he will coordinate with Tom to see if a speaker can talk in Grand Forks and Fargo. If not, an ASCE webinar will work. Alexa mentioned that ASCE stopped charging \$30 to non-members, making it more affordable to host webinars.
- c. Volunteer (Vicki Schneider, Fargo and Shannon Fisher, Bismarck):
  - i. Vicki discussed an upcoming volunteer event: "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day". She needs volunteers.
  - ii. Vicki was also contacted by DGF schools to help again with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys. She needs volunteers to break them up into 2 groups. One group could

watch the Dream Big movie while she would work with the other group.  
UPDATE: Brandon has agreed to volunteer.

- d. Membership (Taylor Braaten, Fargo and Iraj H P Mamaghani, Grand Forks):
    - i. Taylor wasn't present for the call. Alexa noted the new life members (William Kirk, Robert Bartosh, Gary Smith), and mentioned she would touch base with Matt Walsvik, the previous Membership Committee Chair, to see how we honor our new life members.
  - e. Social (Jerod Klabunde):
    - i. Jerod wasn't present for the call. He will be moving on from this Fargo position. UPDATE: Dylan Dunn is the new Fargo Social Chair as of February 16.
    - ii. A discussion on a social event (around Feb. 20 was suggested). UPDATE: a Grand Forks hockey social event has been set for March 2: UND vs. St. Cloud State.
  - f. Webmaster / Social Media (Alison Hanslip and Yaping Chi):
    - i. Motion to approve minutes from the last Board call. Minutes were approved unanimously by Board at 12:52 PM.
- 3) Open Forum for Comments
- a. Discussion was made for volunteer activities and helping Vicki (see notes above).
  - b. Brandon needs help with the report card, mostly with regard to gathering the data and to engage our Section to be excited in this opportunity.
  - c. Meeting was adjourned at 12:57 PM.