ND ASCE SECTION BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, September 12th, 2019 – 12:00-1:00 PM

Conference Call

Prepared by: Ravi Yellavajjala

In attendance: Beena Ajmera, Yaping Chi, Alexa Ducioame, Dylan Dunn, Shanon M. Fisher, Daba Gedafa, I-Hsuan Ho, Tom Klabunde, Jerod Klabunde, Brandon Oye, and Vicki Schneider.

Call to Order and Welcome: Vice President, Yaping Chi, called the business meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved (Yaping)

Approval of Minutes: Yaping called for approval of minutes. Motion moved by President Alexa Ducioame, seconded by secretary Ravi Yellavajjala. Approved.

Financial Report: Treasurer Beena Ajmera is unable to access the online account. Currently the ND ASCE section account has a balance of \$4297.20. Previous treasurer and current Vice president Yaping mentioned that she would verify the log in details before sharing it with Beena.

Continuing Business

Continuing education chair: Beena talked to Dr.David Steward about the possibility of serving as a continuing education chair for Fargo region. Dr. Steward initially requested more information and up on further thought decided to pass on this opportunity considering the departmental work load in the current and the coming semesters. Ravi proposed Dr. Wei Lin's name for this service position and volunteered to contact Dr. Lin about this matter. Alexa forwarded the position responsibilities to Ravi.

Why Join ASCE flyer: Alexa has no updates on this. She will finish this before the fall meeting. ASCE Website Headshots: Alison Hanslip is not available for the conference call.

Fall meeting: Tom (President-Elect) and Jerod (social events co-chair) Klabunde tried to find a couple of speakers from Grand Forks area but were not successful yet (as reported by Alexa). Alexa mentioned that she would get an update from Tom in the next week.

Alexa was able to get the contact information of ASCE members residing in Minnesota counties adjacent to North Dakota. Chris Rousseau (ASCE Region 3 Governor – Minnesota) helped Alexa get these details. Chris also agreed to attend upcoming ND ASCE events.

Yaping mentioned that Tom would need headcount before reserving a venue and food.

When once the venue and date are fixed, Ravi will send out an email invite to all ND and available Minnesota members 21 days before the meeting and Alison will update the ND ASCE FB page.

Committee Chair Reports

a) Report card chair No updates

b) Continuing education chair

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c) Volunteer committee chair

Vicki Schneider requested for volunteers for Brain STEM workshop that will be held in Concordia on October 25th. Women working in STEM disciplines meet young girls to encourage and educate them about possible future career paths in STEM in this workshop.

- **d)** Membership/ social chair No updates. Social co-chair Dylan Dunn was able to
- e) Webmaster/ social media chair Alison Hanslip is not available.

Announcements

None

Adjourn

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM.