

## **ND ASCE Board Spring Meeting Minutes (April 19<sup>th</sup> 2022, 11 AM – 12 noon)**

**Prepared by Ravi Kiran Yellavajjala**

**In-person attendance:** Benjamin Kugler, Valentine Djeunger, Michael Evenson, Ryan Callahan, Sam Wilke, Roger Kluck, Yaping Chi, and Ravi Yellavajjala

**Online attendance:** Josh Kadrmas, Alexa Ducioame, Brandon Smith, Tanner Bryantt, Sattar Dorafshan, Jun Yang, David Engelstad, Tom Klabunde, Brett Bailly, Justin Hall, and Melissa Rotzien

The meeting begins at 11:12 AM

### **Yaping Chi – President**

Served the board from 2019 as VP, President-elect, and president in the past 3 years. There is a stagnation in the number of ND ASCE members as we did not have any in-person activities. However, we have several good ideas for the future. Recently, we organized a graduation banquet for NDSU seniors that was attended by both grad and undergrad students. It was successfully co-organized by ND ASCE and NDSU ASCE.

We have several volunteer positions at ND ASCE. Your service will not go unnoticed. Especially we have some vacancies in the Report card committee. We first worked on the ND ASCE report card in 2018 and released it in 2019. This report card was used by the legislature to advocate for infrastructure improvement in ND. Shannon is the current report card chair, and several positions are vacant.

**Approval of Fall minutes:** Ryan Callahan made the motion and is seconded by Michael Evenson

**Treasurer report by Tanner Bryantt:** Ending balance-\$12, 226. Checks were sent to the NDSU Geowall team and the NDSU graduation banquet. Some checks are still outstanding. The NDSU Geowall team stood 4<sup>th</sup> nationally.

### **Committee chair reports**

Continuing education chair: Sattar Dorafshan – no updates.

Volunteer committee chair: Vicki – not available. Few activities were conducted in the past in West Fargo and Fargo public schools. STEM activities will be planned in the future.

Membership Committee: Dylan Dunn – Not available. We had 250 members in 2019, and as of now, we have 248 active members. The 10 free PDHs available with the ASCE membership should be advertised. Also the lunch and learn PDHs should also be advertised.

Social committee chair: Not available.

**NDSU ASCE updates:** we are rebuilding the chapter after the pandemic. Few invited talks have been organized. The steel bridge team tried a new design and participated in the regional competition. Our students also participated in the Mead paper competition.

**UND ASCE Updates:** Our steel bridge team is attending the annual national competition. We plan to organize a UAV workshop to help students get UAV licenses.

**Lifetime membership award:** Kathryn Levihn and Charles Stamer (unreachable).

**Old Business:**

Sattar participated in a leadership workshop virtually, which discussed different aspects of leadership. He applied for a grant and did not receive it.

The election for the vice president has been conducted. Ravi Yellavajjala was elected (17 votes majority)

Sattar Dorafshan was nominated as the next secretary.