ASCE Nebraska Section Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2010

Attendees (in bold)

Aaron Buettner  President
Daren Konda  President-Elect / Annual Meeting / UNO Student Chapter Practitioner Advisor
TBD  Vice President
John Hill  Past President / Truss Bustin’ / Interim Membership Chair / Region 7 Assembly Representative
Mike Sklenar  Treasurer
Lianne Lau  Secretary
Marie (Maly) Stamm  Director
Tom Strauss  Director
Andres Torres  Younger Member Co-Chair
Joe Flaxbeard  Younger Member Co-Chair
Scott Gilliland  Structural Technical Chair
Douglas Kellner  Construction Technical Chair
TBD  Management Technical Chair
Matt McConville  Water Resources Technical Chair
Brian Havens  Geotechnical Technical Chair
Lara Syrocki  Environmental Technical Chair / Engineering Round Table
Ticha Rohan  Transportation Technical Co-Chair
John Smith  Transportation Technical Co-Chair
Brad Chambers  History & Heritage Chair
Ed Prost  Legislative Affairs Co-Chair
Bill Arneson  Legislative Affairs Co-Chair
Mike Naccarato  Fundraising Chair
Dave Nielsen  Future City Chair
Greg Seib  Newsletter Director
Gopal Allam  Webmaster
Steve Nickel  UNL Student Chapter Practitioner Advisor
Loras Klostermann  Governor of Region 7

1) Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions (Buettner)
   a) 5:40 pm

2) Approval of April 22, 2010 Minutes (Buettner)
   a) Motion by Hill, second by Seib, approved

3) Meetings for 2010-2011 (Buettner)
   a) Board – Typically held at 5:00 before the monthly Section meetings at the same location as the Section meeting.
   b) Tentative Section Meeting Dates (typically the third Thursday of the month)
      i) September 16 (Structural – Conference on Friday 9/17)
      ii) October 21 (Construction)
      iii) November 18 (Management/Government)
      iv) January 20 (Water Resources – with UNL Chapter)
v) February 17 (Geotechnical – Conference on Friday (2/18)
vi) March 17 (Environmental)
vii) April 21 (Transportation – w/UNO Chapter, Conf. on Friday 4/22)  
   *Date likely to change due to conflict with Easter*
viii) May 19 (tentative) (Annual Meeting/Banquet)

4) Newsletter
   a) Greg Seib is new newsletter editor – all information to be included should be sent to him
   b) Nebraska Section is the only Section or Branch in Region 7 that still provides a print version of the newsletter. A motion was made by Hill to discontinue the paper version of the newsletter after one or two months and to deliver the newsletter electronically only unless a member opts-in to having a paper copy delivered. The motion was seconded by Naccarato. The motion was approved.

5) SPAG
   a) Final report delivered to HQ, received letter of acknowledgement from SPAG Committee
   b) SPAG proposals for this year are due October 29
   c) Konda will prepare SPAG application for new outreach displays

6) Hill provided summary of the items discussed at the recent Region 7 Assembly

7) Preliminary review of budget – final budget will be reviewed and approved at September board meeting

8) Audit Committee – Audit of FY2008 is complete and has been submitted

9) Update on website, hosting and meeting signup (Hill)
   a) General discussion on these items including options for future webhosting to increase our available bandwidth.
   b) The Web Services Committee was formed to review effectiveness of Cvent and IT related issues including meal signup, web page design and webhosting. Committee members include Hill, Konda, Rohan, Smith, Havens and Allam. Tentatively scheduled to report on findings at September board meeting.

10) Nebraska Engineers and Architects act – Naccarato provided information on SEAON’s work relative to changing structural license to partial practice act. Naccarato will provide periodic updates as warranted.

11) Still looking for candidates for vice president, management technical chair and membership chair

12) Other Business
   a) In order to make meetings more accessible to members, especially those who have been laid off, the cost for all meetings this year has been set at $15. A motion was made in this regard by Sklenar and seconded by Flaxbeard. The motion was approved.
b) Chris Tuan was elected to Fellow grade. Other Section members who are eligible for this grade should be encouraged to apply.

13) Adjourn (7:40)

Submitted by
Aaron Buettner
ASCE Nebraska Section President