Nebraska Section
Board Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2014, 5:00 pm

Location:
Storz Trophy Room, Omaha, NE

Attendees:
Joe Flaxbeard
Josh Frank
Brandon Gardels
Matt Hubel
Tyler Klusaw
Daren Konda
Ticha Rohan
Mike Sklenar
John Smith
Marie Stamm
Jeremy Steenhoek
Andres Torres

1. 5:05 PM - Call to Order (Torres)

2. Approval of Previous Minutes (Torres)
Flaxbeard motioned to approve; Klusaw seconded; all in favor.

3. Grant Proposals Update (Torres)
   a. Region 7 Grant: Funds for new Truss Bustin’ device
      i. $750 was requested in grant proposal
      ii. Full amount has been granted
         iii. Action Item: R. Hanson to coordinate with Dr. Moussavi and UNO students for help with construction of new device and help at Truss Bustin’ event
   b. SPAG Grant: Funds for student outreach program
      i. $1,000 was requested in grant proposal
      ii. Still awaiting decision from ASCE HQ
   c. NEASCE has received a proposal from the UNL Student Chapter for funds to build a new Shaker Table
      i. Proposals requests $300
      ii. Torres proposed granting $500; additional $200 for Student Chapter to produce a blueprint of the table and an operating manual
      iii. Flaxbeard motioned to approve grant of $500; Klusaw seconded; all in favor.

4. Treasurer Update (Klusaw)
   a. Total Assets as of October 31, 2014: $61,639.71
5. **Review Action Items (Torres)**
   5.1 Lobbyist Status (Konda/Klusaw)
      a. Current status:
         i. One (1) payment was made to lobbyist in 2013
         ii. NEASCE will not make past payments, as no information/services were received
         iii. E. Prost recommends retaining lobbyist
      b. Future:
         i. NEASCE will retain lobbyist and develop payment schedule
         ii. **Action Item: Konda/Klusaw to determine invoice schedule and amount**

5.2 NEASCE Displays (Konda/Stamm)
   a. Konda provided handouts of mockups for displays
   b. **Action Item: All to send comments to Konda by 11/26/14**

5.3 Finance Audit (Klusaw/Flaxbeard)
   a. Klusaw is working to finalize taxes; once done will send to Flaxbeard to review
   b. **Action Item: Flaxbeard (as Pres-Elect) to provide audit by 2/17/15**

6. **K-12 Outreach Efforts & School Blitz (Smith)**
   a. In need of specific teachers/schools who would host presentations
   b. Planning a kick-off event the Saturday before E-Week (2/21/15), possibly at local mall
   c. Email blast going out to members in next couple weeks asking for volunteers

7. **NEASCE Website (Stamm)**
   a. Stamm has made progress cleaning up website
   b. Is using free alternative to Dreamweaver software
   c. Stamm will continue to update and maintain website
   d. Notify Stamm of issues found on website
   e. **Action Item: All to get award info to Stamm for data missing on website**

8. **LB 665 (Torres)**
   a. LB 665 is proposed legislation about changes to A/E regulations
   b. Would lobbyist be willing to give a presentation to summarize proposed changes?
   c. Could we send proposed changes to ASCE HQ for further review?

9. **New Business and Open Discussion (All)**
   a. Upcoming Meetings:
      i. M. McConville to set up UNL joint meeting
      ii. Rohan to set up UNO joint meeting
   b. Award of Concrete Canoe and Steel Bridge grants
      i. Student chapters should send request letter to NEASCE board for funds
      ii. Concrete Canoe funds: $600/school
      iii. Steel Bridge funds: $600/school

10. **5:45 PM – Adjourn**
    Stamm motioned to adjourn; Flaxbeard seconded; all in favor.
Action Item Summary:
- R. Hanson to coordinate with Dr. Moussavi and UNO students for help with construction of new device and help at Truss Bustin’ event
- Konda/Klusaw to determine lobbyist invoice schedule and amount
- All to send NEASCE display comments to Konda by 11/26/14
- Flaxbeard to perform audit by 2/17/15
- All to get award info to Stamm for data missing on website