Nebraska Section January Board Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2018, 5:30 pm

Location:
Schemmer Associates, Omaha, NE

Attendees:
Matt Hubel
Ian Plummer
Shannon DeVivo
Mark Egger
Elizabeth Kreher
Jeremy Steenhoek
Tyler Klusaw
Mike Sklenar
Tyler Schmidt
Greg Seib
Mike Smith
Kristle Beaudet
John Hill

1. Call to Order (Hubel)

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Hubel)
   a. Approved

3. Treasurer’s Report (Kreher)
   a. $69,984 in Checking
   b. $200 to Elizabeth Hunter for E-Week
   c. Invoice from ABC Printing approximately $471
   d. All reimbursements out to board

4. Taxes/Auditing (Kreher)
   a. Taxes are submitted and reviewed by Seib.

5. YMG Update (Younger Member Group)
   a. No upcoming events. Put something together for February

6. 2018 MRLC Update (Younger Member Group)
   a. Meetings Thursday to go over details
   b. Send out email on details for banquet
7. **SEI Chapter Chair Search (Steenhoek)**
   a. Steenhoek moving to Iowa
      i. Search for new chapter chair
         1. Think of possible candidates
         2. Aaron in Lincoln
         3. Smith to talk to Rich at HDR

8. **E-Week School Blitz (Klusaw)**
   a. Contacts out to teachers
   b. Look into Bellevue schools
   c. Mainly for grade schools, but have done up to high school
   d. 7 to 8 volunteers last year, 15 class rooms
      i. Looking to maintain those numbers this year
   e. Swag and bookmarks for event
   f. Call for volunteers in near future

9. **Website Issues (Stamm)**
   a. Issues seem to be cleared and website up and running
   b. Some of the problem was delinquent payment
   c. To change email preferences you need to go to national website
      i. New emails are easier to read

10. **Dream Big Release to Schools (Hubel)**
    a. Donate to 30% of schools in the USA.
    b. During E-Week ASCE will allow people to donate $5 to go to a school
       i. Allows donation to private schools
    c. See feasibility to send a copy to all schools that don’t receive one
    d. Possibly send out an email to sponsor their school

11. **NE Board of Engineers and Architects Decoupling (Arneson)**
    a. NSPE are against the decoupling
    b. The sooner you can take the PE after graduating the greater chance to pass
    c. ASCE National does not have a stance
    d. Reciprocity should be taken into consideration
    e. Recommended to contact other engineering groups to gauge views
       i. Send out survey, John, Tyler, Elizabeth
    f. Motion to stay undecided until after member wide survey and discussion to follow
       i. Passed

12. **New Business/Open Discussion**
    a. No legislature has come through that needs board discussion
    b. Hansen notified that Truss Busting Feb. 24th 2018
    c. Streamline constant contact in order to be efficient with information
       i. Have Tyler, John and Marie to help streamline emails
       ii. Have technical chairs submit information that they want sent out so much time before they want it out
       iii. Send out emails no more than once a week
    d. Denied SAME Grant
    e. ASCE leadership and management award nominations are out
       i. If you didn’t get the email let Hubel know
    f. Klusaw volunteered to take over UNL practitioner advisor
g. Saturday Feb 17th Omaha children’s museum outreach activity
h. MRLC this Friday and Saturday
   i. Geotechnical short course Feb 8th, conference 9th
   i. Transportation conference May 4th

13. Adjourn (Hubel)

Action Item Summary:
- Younger Members Group to put an event together for February
- Mike Smith to reach out to Rich at HDR for possible SEI Chapter Chair
- Klusaw will reach out for volunteer for School Blitz in near future
- Look into how many copies of Dream Big we can send to schools in Nebraska that did not receive one from the National Chapter, or if feasible to send to all
- Send a member wide survey on opinion of decoupling