



American Society of Civil Engineers

**ASCE Nebraska Section Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
March 18th, 2010**

Attendees (in bold)

John Hill *President / Truss Bustin' / Engineering Round Table*
Aaron Buettner *President-Elect / Annual Meeting*
Daren Konda *Vice President*
Marie Maly *Past President*
Ed Prost *Region 7 Assembly Representative / Legislative Affairs Co-Chair*
Mike Sklenar *Treasurer*
Diane Jones *Secretary*
Mike McIntosh *Director*
Tom Strauss *Director*
Amelia Toellner *Younger Member Chair*
Joe Flaxbeard *Younger Member Chair*
Scott Gilliland *Structural Technical Chair*
Wayne Jensen *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 Chair*
Brad Chambers *History & Heritage Chair*
Bill Arneson *Legislative Affairs Co-Chair*
Jeff Kopocis *Membership Chair*
Mike Naccarato *Fundraising Chair*
Andres Torres *Future City Chair*
Aaron Grote *Newsletter Director*
Gopal Allam *Webmaster*
Daren Konda *UNO Student Chapter Practitioner Advisor*
Steve Nickel *UNL Student Chapter Practitioner Advisor*
Loras Klostermann *Governor of Region 7*

- 1) Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions (Hill)
- 2) Approval of January 26, 2010 Minutes (Jones)
 - a) Motion by Prost, Second by Konda, approved
- 3) Recap February Monthly Meeting / GeoOmaha 2010
 - a) GeoOmaha was a success both educationally and financially.
 - b) Online registration was handy
 - c) Keynote speaker spoke remotely. We need to get a better connection if this occurs again.
 - d) We need to have a system in place to handle walk-ins at future conferences. This could include a computer to facilitate Cvent or simply paper registration and a check.
 - e) Attendance was down about 30 people from last year.

- 4) Meetings for 2009-2010 (Hill)
 - a) Board – 1st Tuesday after ASCE Meeting @ 5:30pm at LRA Office
 - b) Tentative Section Meeting Dates (typically the third Thursday of the month)
 - i) ~~September 17 (Structural – Conference on Friday 9/18) – Note Steel Day – Davis Erection and Drake Williams Steel~~
 - ii) ~~October 22 (Construction) 5:30 @ UNL Tour of new residence hall, \$5.00 parking in advance – need good count, \$9.00 meal~~
 - iii) ~~November 19 (Management/Government)~~
 - iv) ~~January 21 (Water Resources – with UNL Chapter) – at 6:00, UNL will give a presentation highlighting their concrete canoe and steel bridge teams.~~
 - v) ~~February 11 (Geotechnical – Conference on Friday, Feb 12) (UNO wants to present Canoe/Steel Bridge info.) (E-Week Banq. Feb. 18)~~
 - vi) March 18 (Environmental)
 - vii) April 8 (Transportation – w/UNO Chapter, Conference on Friday April 9)
 - (1) Dinner will be at Biaggis, family style
 - (2) Truss Bustin’ winners will attend dinner
 - (3) Will Sharp from HDR will talk about Passenger Rail
 - viii) May 13 (Annual Meeting/Banquet) –at Quarry Oaks
 - (1) May have a band for the entertainment

- 5) New Officers
 - a) Need to slate new officers
 - b) Vacancies include:
 - i) Secretary
 - ii) Younger Member
 - iii) Vice President
 - iv) Structures Chair is also available if anyone is interested
 - c) Directors need to be picked by the advisory board 30 days prior to the vote at the annual banquet
 - d) Hill will get a nominating committee together to pick officers

- 6) Newsletter
 - a) Grote needs info by noon 3-29-10

- 7) Newsletter Advertisements Quality (Aaron G, Mike N.)
 - a) Grote has made improvements to graphics, but there is still room for improvement. Most people are not sending quality images.
 - b) May look into new software. It is possible that this may be corrected next year when we move to electronic newsletters only.

- 8) Budget 2010 Items (Sklenar)
 - a) Scholarships need to be paid to Foundation
 - i) Hill will direct Sklenar on where this needs to go
 - b) Distributed monthly budget report

- 9) Audit Committee – Final Report, Mike S. and Mike M are done.
 - a) Information needs to be given to Tom Strauss for his review
 - b) 990ez Form needs to be submitted

- 10) E-week / Truss Bustin' Competition (Hill)
 - a) 170 trusses were entered
 - b) 1st place went to North, 2nd and 3rd went to Gross

- 11) Cvent – Continuing Report on performance – Alternate website/web host
 - a) Contract ends in December
 - b) We will wait until after the transportation conference to evaluate
 - c) We may also want to shop around to see if we can find a bank with reduced fees

- 12) Future City Report
 - a) Torres sent report
 - b) Thomesen had additional ideas and comments
 - c) Torres doesn't think that \$1000 is necessary to hire a consultant

- 13) Other Business – ran out of time, but will address at next meeting
 - a) Revised Section Tax Reporting and Annual Reports (Sklenar)
 - b) Websire sign-in for monthly meetings (any changes needed)
 - c) Other
 - i) Geo Institute Chapter

- 14) Adjourn – Next Meeting April 22nd, 2010 (Hill)

*Submitted by
Diane Jones
ASCE Nebraska Section Secretary*