

WSACE
Board of Directors Meeting
November 13, 2007

Members Present

Kent Cash, Pres.
Derek Pohle, Pres. Elect
Brian Stacy, Sec/Treas.
Ryan Lopossa, NACE Rep.
Ross Dunfee, Past Pres.
Joe Rutan, Western Dist. Sec

Guests

Jay Weber, CRAB
Walt Olsen, CRAB
Steve Hillesland, CRAB
Karen Pendleton, CRAB
Tim Fife, Franklin County
Al King, Lochner
Jeff Monsen, CRAB
Eric Johnson, WSAC

Action Taken

President Cash called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

President's Report – (Kent Cash)

Managing Director's Position

Kent was hoping to have the WSAC/WSACE agreement (MOU) for the Managing Director position available for our viewing and signing but it was not ready yet from WSAC. WSACE share of the cost associated with the new Director, including the split with WSAC, will be \$115,004.00 for 2008. Kent provided a breakdown of the costs including the new WSACE dues per County. Kent also discussed the excitement WSAC had for this new opportunity between the two organizations and they are looking forward to getting this new person on board and moving forward.

WSAC Support

Next topic was a general discussion regarding our support/attendance at the WSAC meetings and the fact that the Commissioners strongly support our ongoing participation with them at these functions. We need to engage membership and the Board in an effort to enhance attendance at these meetings.

Design Standards Committee Vacancy

County Design Standards Committee discussion regarding applicants submitted at the request of Eric Johnson, Assistant Executive Director from WSAC to fill the most recent vacancy. This committee is chaired by the State Aid Engineer from WSDOT. The WSACE Board needs to submit a candidate to WSAC for appointment consideration.

WSACE Annual Conference Attendance Issues

The last topic was what can we do to gain some interests in our WSACE general membership meetings?? If we look into our past there use to be huge turnouts for these meetings for a variety of reasons. We are looking for ideas and suggestions to increase participation in our programs, including making the programs much more beneficial to the memberships by having better educational sessions.

Presidents-Elect's Report - (Derek Pohle)

Membership Committee updates

Past President's Committee, nothing to report

Legislative Committee, nothing to report

Professional Development Committee, Joe Rutan to report later

Membership Committee, Derek sent a welcoming letter to Mr. James E. Voetberg, P.E. from Skagit County requesting his attendance at the Statewide Legislative Conference.

By-Laws Committee, nothing to report

Survey Committee, nothing to report

Storm Water Committee, report from Dale Rancour

Day Labor Committee, this program is intended to stay as is

Eminent Domain, Art will be sending a member to present at our meeting tomorrow.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – (Brian Stacy)

Reported on 2007 Budget Actuals first, and then some discussion on our preliminary 2008 Budget yet to be formalized. Kent and Brian will work on the 2008 Budget more this evening and then report back to the WSACE membership at the Business Meeting.

NACE Report – (Ryan Lopossa)

Registration is open currently for next years NACE program in Portland. We really need to support that event since it is so close to home. Because we are a "100% State" we get one free admission to the NACE event for a NACE member who has not ever gone to the NACE conference. Please bring suggestions as to who might be a good candidate for this free pass. The conference starts on April 21, 2008. Tony Giancola, Executive Director of NACE, will be at our Business meeting tomorrow.

CRAB Report – (Jay Weber/Walt Olsen)

Nothing to report, refer to the electronic report submitted by CRAB previously. CRAB will report at the Business Meeting to the entire membership.

Eastern District Report - (Todd O'Brien)

Absent, nothing to report

Western District Report - (Joe Rutan)

Nothing to report, he is hoping someone who has a strong desire to jumpstart this position will take over for him in the very near future.

OTHER BUSINESS

Joe Rutan indicated the Professional Development Program is still on track for next year at the same location with the topic being "Crucial Conversations", communication enhancements. We need to generate enthusiasm with the membership because we are late for sending out registration to the membership. We hope to be sending out registration notification to the members next week if all goes well.

Adjourned at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian D. Stacy, P.E.
Secretary/Treasurer
WSACE