



South Dakota Section Eastern Branch

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ASCE, SD SECTION, EASTERN BRANCH BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, January 25th, 2018

6:00 PM, HDR OFFICE, SIOUX FALLS, SD

Present: Justin Bucher, Jedidiah Reimnitz, Chuck Tiltrum, Mo Phifer, Trent Bruce, Krista May, James Unruh, Steve Hoff, Jason Kjenstad, and Nick Gillen.

President Jedidiah Reimnitz called the meeting to order.

No previous meeting minutes had been recorded to present.

Treasurer's Report

Kent Ode was not present to give a report. Expenditures for year-to-date were listed on the agenda. An ending balance of \$2,080.80 was recorded.

Student Chapter Report

It was noted that the Student Chapter had held the past list of events: Habitat for Humanity roofing a house, Dream Big outreach at the Washington Pavilion, Harvest Table service, Food drive for Trick-or-Treating, Tailgating social with the Branch, and ASME bowling social.

It was also noted that the Student Chapter would be attending the WSCL that upcoming weekend with 6 officers attending, and that the Steel Bridge, Concrete Canoe, and Geo Wall competitions were coming up.

South Dakota Section Report

Matthew Brua was unable to give a report in person as he was traveling to the MRLC. It was noted to members to see the recent newsletter that had been sent out. The Annual Meeting is looking to be kept in September as a stand-alone ASCE meeting. The location and date are yet to be determined. They are looking to possibly hold it in conjunction with the Dakota Cu. It was also reminded to members that the President-Elect position for the State Section is still vacant.

Region 7 Report (Erin Steever)

Erin Steever was unable to give report in person. The agenda noted Society Committees were not well represented by our Region. Looking for interested members to join one. The White Paper is out on the Survey and Utility Technical Institute looking for comments. The topic of the paper is AsBUILTS. The South Dakota legislative bill on Licensure was briefly discussed as an issue the Region Governor has raised to Society's attention. No official stance of the Branch was given.

Old Business

October 20th was the Dream Big Social and Viewing Party. Turnout was good. October 27th was the Washington Pavilion's Action Arts and Science Program that the Branch and Student Chapter volunteered for. Saw a turnout of 168 students and family members. It was noted that there was not much interest from the kids in the competition aspects of the bridge and canoe.

November 11th was Beers with Engineers. Had great attendance and thanks Banner for supplying everything for the social event.

Speed Interviews had been held by the Branch to aid the Student Chapter. The event had a very low attendance by students, with only the officers there. The Branch will try harder next year to boost attendance. Chuck Tiltrum agreed that it may work best to incorporate with Senior Seminar Class or such.

Lastly, it was noted that November 8-17 was the Dream Big Lowell Outreach at the Kirby Science Center. The Branch had a hard time gathering enough volunteers for the Q&A segments and was thus only able to meet half of the desired dates.

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Noted that Matthew Brua will be attending the Fly-In

The Sioux Falls Convention and Visitors Bureau has repeatedly asked to help host the future MRLC in Sioux Falls. No one in the Branch was interested in taking up such a daunting task.

For upcoming meetings, it was noted that the next business meeting would be in March with Dennis Martenson presenting. After that would be the PAC tour at SDSU with the 2018/2019 officer elections to be held.

Infrastructure Week is May 14-21. Looking for event ideas from the members.

Krista May moved and Justin Bucher seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.

Speakers

James Unruh and Jason Kjenstad presented on the Highway 100/Veterans Parkway design and construction from 2015 through 2019.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jedidiah Reimnitz



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