

## MEETING MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: March 21, 2018 12:00 PM AST

Location of Meeting: Mat-Su College, JKB 108

Purpose: Monthly Meeting

### Meeting Summary / Comments:

The purpose of this meeting is to update the membership on ASCE activities and give an opportunity for continuing education credit.

### Discussion Items:

#### 1) Branch Items:

##### a) Member Introductions

- i) Volunteer: *Scott Adams*
- ii) Next month volunteer? *None*

##### b) Pizza

- i) Pay \$7 at the meeting or purchase a punch card for the year. The punch card is \$50 dollars and is good for the 9 meetings in Fall 2017/Spring 2018.
- ii) You have the option to pay with cash, check, or card.
- iii) Remember to RSVP

##### c) VP Report – Nicole Yount

- i) None.

##### d) Treasurer Report – Kiana Eller

- i) Current Balance is \$2,260.47
- ii) Anticipated Expenditures:

| Item            | Budget  |
|-----------------|---------|
| Golf Tournament | \$2,500 |

##### e) Secretary Report – Matthew Coburn

- i) None.

##### f) Subsidiary Organization and Committees

###### i) Program Committee

- (1) We are looking into presentations for next fall. If you would like to present or have an idea for a presentation contact Nicole Yount at 746-5230.

###### ii) Outreach/E-Week

- (1) Project Build – NSF funded program (\$1,000 awarded to Branch, we are 1 of 10 selected) to present 4 engineering programs per year to children grades 2-5 at local libraries. Minimum of 3 engineers needed per program; exact schedule TBD by library.  
*Outreach company (not ASCE) has failed to find host Mat-Su library; searching for Anchorage host library.*
- (2) “Dream Big” DVD to be provided to remaining MSBSD schools, total cost ~\$200. If you would like to donate contact Kiana Eller at 746-7600.  
*ASCE will match for middle schools, due April 15<sup>th</sup>. Tor A. suggested opportunity to provide DVD’s to rural schools outside Branch area; these schools were not included in the High Schools already receiving copies.*

- (3) Scholarship Fundraiser Golf Tournament – Volunteer Signup
- (4) *Scholarship applications are due April 2. Volunteers needed to help review applications and select winners; Tor A. volunteered.*

## 2) National/Regional/Section Items of Interest Report-Tor Anderzen

*ASCE [National] budget is being cut by 10%, which will likely eliminate SPAG. Voting could help keep SPAG in place.*

### a) Regional

- i) Elections – May 1 to June 1 online, paper ballots optional

- (1) Governor Candidate – Jessica Smith

### b) Section

- i) *None.*

## 3) Other Business

- a) Draft By-Law revisions made, restructure standing committees to increase PDH/CEU credit. Waiting on National approval, then Section approval.

### b) Road Bond Update – Jessica Smith and Ben Coleman (MSB)

- i) *Joint Assembly Meeting March 27 at 6pm – Opportunity for public comment/support of road bond package. Suggested talking points include name and credentials (licensure, company, ASCE, etc), why/why not in support, benefits of road bonds (technical), and professional opinion.*

- ii) *Mat-Su Borough Website – Property & Maps [Open Data]  
Highlight: Long Range Transportation Plan, Road Project Survey, & Road Bond Presentation*

- iii) *Link to Road Bond Presentation will be forwarded to membership.*

### c) Member Comments

- i) *None.*

## 4) Presentation

Eklutna River Dam Removal Project by Brad Meiklejohn (The Conservation Fund).

*Patagonia has provided grant to create documentary of dam removal. Film will be available Fall 2018. Member suggestion to coordinate ASCE Mat-Su showing film at Glenn Massay Theatre.*