

Meeting Notes

2020-2021 Meeting No. 6 – March 2021

Date: Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Time: 7:15am

Location: Video Conference via Zoom Meetings

Link to Meeting:

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Passcode: 053811

1. Call to Order (Kozak) – Called to order at 7:18

Board Attendees: Kozak, Sandahl, Droze, Matheny, Palazzolo, Burkett, Wakefield, Curtis

Board Absentees:

Others: James Cassel, Ashley Lesser

2. Approval of Agenda (Kozak)

Droze noted that the group would be approving the February board meeting minutes.

Motioned to approve by Droze, Seconded Matheny

The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Droze)

- a. January 2021 Meeting Minutes (Revised to February 2021 Meeting Minutes)

Motion to approve by Matheny and Seconded by Wakefield. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Droze to send February meeting minutes to Lesser for posting to the website.

4. Approval of Treasurer's Report (Matheny)

- a. Approval of February 2021 Treasurer's Report
- b. 2020-2021 Annual Report - Future

No report today due to a printer issue. Matheny noted that there were a few transactions last month from Student Night. These reports will be provided soon.

5. Past President Update/Report (Curtis)

Curtis was not present to report.

6. President-Elect (Sandahl)

- a. Newsletter

February newsletter has been issued. An April newsletter is planned.

- b. Calendar Update

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Drew has been working with Ashley to add the calendar events. Ashley is working to get awards posted. The group discussed that the branch website could use some tweaks to update the MRLC to indicate this was a past event.

7. President (Kozak)

a. Virtual Platform for Meetings & Programs

Kozak stated that the current platforms are working well. It was stated by Wakfield that using the presenter's preferred platform for each presentation is working well.

b. Articles for Michigan Engineering Newsletter – Due March 17, 2021

i. Kirk Steudle Presentation

Burkett has prepared a write-up for the Branch newsletter.

ii. Storyteller Series: Roy Rose Presentation

Kozak has secured Rose for a presentation on April 7, 2021.

iii. Others

1. Student Night, 321 Parking

Action: Burkett and Wakefield to provide write-ups for Steudle and 123 Parking to Kozak for the Section newsletter.

c. Award Nominations

(Branch nominations due March 16, Section nominations due April 1)

Award nominations have been issued. It was reported that none have been received as of yet.

Action: Kozak and Curtis to review Award nominations by April 1.

d. Virtual MRLC: April 7-10, 2021

i. Two-hour sessions for each afternoon

8. Member Services Committee (Palazzolo)

a. Committee Chairs Update

No update. It was stated that Kamran is still interested to function as a chair, but has not yet provided program ideas.

b. Annual Meeting

Likely no annual meeting this year.

c. YMG

i. Inventory of SE Michigan Historic Civil Engineering Landmarks

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All landmark documentations have been completed.

ii. Officer Vacancies

Only vacancy is Treasurer. This is being handled right now by Kevin Brown.

iii. Student Night – Tuesday, March 9, 2021 4pm to 6pm via Zoom

Ashley Lesser stated that Student Night is confirmed for next Thursday 4-6. The event will be held on zoom with Breakout rooms used with each employer rep. The breakout rooms will have small group discussions (not 1 on 1 discussions or interviews). As part of registration, all resumes will be submitted and shared to employers.

Currently 7 employers have registered. Cole Villalobos is organizing the event.

9. Professional Activities Committee (Burkett)

a. Committee Chairs Update

i. Looking for Legislative Affairs Chair

Burkett stated that this chair is likely to go unfilled.

b. Past Programs:

i. AECOM Segment 3 I-75: February 24, 2021

75 people turned out and the program was well-received.

c. Upcoming Programs?

i. Jim Surhigh: March 2021

It was unlikely that this will occur.

ii. HNTB (I-94) or Gordie Howe Bridge: April 2021??

Action: Cassell to reach out to Bridging North America on a possible presentation in April.

iii. Roy Rose – Storyteller

Action: Burkett to issue flyer for the Roy Rose storyteller series.

d. Network 9 Golf League

i. CJ Thompson with GMA is starting this for networking

The board had no issue to post this to membership. It was requested that the Network 9 group provide reciprocal assistance for ASCE events.

10. Technical Activities (Wakefield)

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a. Committee Chairs Update

No update

b. Past Programs:

- i. February 3, 2021: Investigating Unique Failures: Lessons Learned
- ii. February 5, 2021: The Press/321 Automated Parking Jobsite Tour
- iii. March 2, 2021: Federal and Michigan Coal Ash Regulations – Dual Compliance Challenges with Molly Reeves

Approximately 40 attendees and the program was well-received.

c. Upcoming Programs?

- i. Geotechnical (Zach Carr) – Date?

Presentation has been approved by GLWA. There will be a presentation in May.

- ii. April 2021: Transportation (Steve Werling)

A presentation is confirmed for April.

- iii. Other

Matheny suggested that a pilot tube method program could be held in July if there is interest.

Action: Matheny to provide information to Wakefield on pilot tube method program.

11. Michigan Section News

a. Michigan Section Scholarships

- i. Information received and emailed out in early February (due Memorial Day)

An e-mail has gone out for these. No additional action required.

- ii. Other Section Discussion

Curtis stated that Matt Wendling with Lansing/Jackson branch would be interested to share ASCE SE virtual programs with membership and vice-versa.

Droze indicated that he sees Lansing/Jackson programs advertised on LinkedIn. It was stated that individual members could share these programs from ConstantContact messages.

12. National News

No News.

13. Other Items to be Discussed

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- a. Region 3, 6, 7 Multi-Region Leadership Conference in Denver, Colorado – July 22-24, 2021
- b. ASCE 2021 Convention in Chicago, IL – October 6-9, 2021
- c. Other Ideas

ASCE is pushing webinars on new ethics changes. If the group is aware of ethics programs, there will be interest among members. Kent Early (prior Board member) messaged Droze and stated that the Section held a program about 12 years ago and he would be interested to see this revived if possible.

14. Adjourn

**Motioned to adjourn by Sandahl, Seconded Matheny
The motion was approved unanimously.**

Prior Action Items Review

1. **Complete:** Group is to review information for virtual platform services to develop support for a final decision.
2. **Completed:** Droze to send January meeting minutes to Lesser for posting to the website.
3. **Next Month:** Matheny to include a \$2000 budget for continuing education.
4. **Completed:** Burkett to send a write up on the Steudle presentation to Sandahl.
5. **Completed:** Sandahl will issue a newsletter this month (2/14).
6. **Completed:** Kozak to coordinate a Storyteller meeting with Roy Rose.
7. **In Process:** Wakefield to coordinate a Storyteller meeting with Fritz Klinger.
8. **Completed:** Sandahl to send Fall/Winter newsletter to Ashley for posting on website.
9. **Completed:** Kozak to contact Section to see timeline for awards.
10. **In Process:** Group to brainstorm on ideas for possible charitable donations using unused fund balance.
11. **Completed:** Cassel to confirm date with AECOM and prepare flyer for the Segment 3, I-75 project.
12. Sandahl to forward a recent flyer to help with troubleshooting so that events can be posted to the ASCE SE-Michigan website.

New Action Items:

- **Droze to send February meeting minutes to Lesser for posting to the website**
- **Burkett and Wakefield to provide write-ups for Steudle and 123 Parking to Kozak for the Section newsletter.**
- **Kozak and Curtis to review Award nominations by April 1**
- **Cassell to reach out to Bridging North America on a possible presentation in April.**
- **Burkett to issue flyer for the Roy Rose storyteller series.**
- **Matheny to provide information to Wakefield on pilot tube method program.**

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March 8, 2021 from 4pm to 6pm –	ASCE YMG 2021 Student Night via Zoom
March 17, 2021 –	Award Nominations Due to Branch
March 17, 2021 –	Articles due to ACEC for Michigan Engineering Newsletter
March 2021 –	Professional Activities Program: Jim Surhigh
April 7, 2021 at 7:15 am –	Video Conference Board Meeting via Zoom Meetings
April 7, 2021 -	Storyteller Series: Roy Rose
April 2021 –	Technical Activities Program: Transportation
April 2021 –	Professional Activities Program: HNTB (I-94) or Gordie Howe Bridge???
April 1, 2021	Award Nominations Due to Michigan Section
May 5, 2021 at 7:15am –	Video Conference Board Meeting via Zoom Meetings
May 12, 2021 –	Articles due to ACEC for Michigan Engineering Newsletter
May 31, 2021 –	Section Scholarship Applications Due
June 2, 2021 at 7:15am –	Video Conference Board Meeting via Zoom Meetings
July 14, 2021 –	Articles due to ACEC for Michigan Engineering Newsletter
September 15, 2021 –	Articles due to ACEC for Michigan Engineering Newsletter
November 10, 2021 –	Articles due to ACEC for Michigan Engineering Newsletter

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