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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2016

12:00 PM

Stantec, 901 Ponce De Leon Blvd., 9th floor, Miami, FL 33134

Attendees:

Voting Board Members

Dave Clarke – President
Victor Herrera – President-Elect (not able to attend)
Brenda S. Rivera – Treasurer (attended by phone)
Belinda Bacon – Secretary (attended by phone)
Sam Gonzalez – Publications/Communications Director (not able to attend)
Tommy Ruiz – State Director
Lin Li – Past President
Fernando Gomez – Director (not able to attend)
Joe Gomez – Director (attended by phone)
Gus Quesada – Director (attended by phone)
Debora Rivera – Director
Eddie Suarez -- Director
Chaddi Jurdi – President, FIU Student Chapter
Maria Giraldo -- President, MDC Student Chapter (attended by phone)

Additional Student Liaisons

Orianna Caschetta – FIU

Additional Attendees

Jeff Easley

I Welcome/Quorum: President Dave Clarke welcomed attendees. A quorum was present.

II Meeting Minutes Approval

a) Minutes from Prior Board Meetings (June, July and Sept.) to be circulated via email.

III Treasurer Report

2016-17 Budget circulated via email. Budget was reviewed with certain items discussed and changes recommended; plan is to re-submit with revised budget line items to formally approve. Fiscal year is from Oct. 1 – Sept. 30. Still need to clarify pdh cost/income relationship and annual sponsorships.

School Budgets reviewed, but clarification requested on how much funding expected from parent Chapter; will continue to be reviewed.

IV Communications Director Report

New Website up and running.

V State Reports

State Committees - Reports

- a) Communications Advisory Committee – Sam Gonzalez, P.E.-nothing to report.
- b) Ethical Practices Committee - Gus Quesada, P.E., Joe Gomez, P.E- nothing to report
- c) K-12 Committee - Orlando J. Castro, P.E.; Victor H. Herrera, P.E. (Co-chair) - nothing to report.
- d) Leadership Advisory Committee - Victor Herrera, P.E.- no report
- e) MATHCOUNTS - Lin Li, P.E.; Sam Gonzalez, P.E.- Trying to determine, now, whether Feb. 11 or Feb. 18 is better for MDC to host; Lin still working with Jeff Miller. Maria commented that school-wide reservation system has changed so things are taking a little more time to get confirmed.
- f) Membership Development Committee - Dave Clarke, P.E. - nothing to report.
- g) Scholarship Committee - Steven Goldstein, P.E.; Joe Gomez, P.E. - nothing to report.
- h) Student Professional Development Committee – Dr. Claudius Carnegie P.E./Gus Quesada P.E. coordinating with him

FIU – Orianna Caschetta - Chapter BOD Speakers - Dave attending Student Chapter Meeting Friday, October 7 and Eddie and Gus to attend in November.

MDC - Maria Camila Giraldo- MDC students go to elementary schools to help educate/inform students about being an engineer. Prompted discussion about Be an Engineer for a Day and lab in Broward combined with FDOT's traffic management center – a focus of the Broward Chapter

University of Miami – still vacant, but Alex Montenegro is in process of getting set up to be new advisor and get Chapter re-started

State Committees at Large - Reports

- a) Annual Conference Steering Committee, Jeff V. Easley, P.E. – nothing to report
- b) Awards Committee – Gus Quesada, P.E., Tomas Ruiz, P.E.- Has come together and schedule is on track. With respect to venue for banquet, Victor needs to book quickly.
- c) Centennial Committee – OPEN (Gus?) -
- d) Charter and Bylaws Committee - Jeff V. Easley, P.E.- Nothing to report.
- e) Conservation and Environmental Quality Committee – Jeffrey P. Thompson, P.E. - Nothing to report.
- f) Constructed Environment Committee – OPEN
- g) Energy Committee – OPEN
- h) Professional Concerns Committee - Jeff Easley P.E., Gus Quesada, P.E. - Nothing to report.
- i) Professional Development Committee - Gus Quesada, P.E.- nothing to report

Practice Section Chapter Liaisons - Reports

- a) Florida Professional Engineers in Government – OPEN (Debora Rivera, P.E.?)
- b) Florida Engineers in Construction - Gus Quesada, P.E./Debora Rivera, P.E. - Nothing to report.
- c) Florida Engineers in Education – OPEN
- d) Florida Professional Engineers in Industry – OPEN

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e) Florida Professional Engineers Retired – OPEN

VI State Director Report – nothing to report

VII Old Business

Trap Shoot – Tom to confirm for Oct. 28

Holiday Dinner – Marie confirmed that location will be Delores . . . in Brickell.

Future City – set for Jan. 14

November Meeting on Cuba Infrastructure getting set-up

Next meeting, Oct. 20 at Coral Gables Country Club

VIII New Business - none

IX Open Discussions - none

X Adjourned - 1:35 PM

NEXT BOARD MEETING scheduled for November 7, 2016