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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

September 6, 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)
Mari Elsie Dowell – Vice President (not able to attend)
Brenda S. Rivera - Treasurer
Belinda Bacon – Secretary
Sam Gonzalez – Publications/Communications Director (not able to attend)
Tomas Ruiz – State Director
Lin Li – Past President
Fernando Gomez - Director
Joe Gomez – Director
Gus Quesada – Director (attended by phone)
Debora Rivera – Director (not able to attend)
Eddie Suarez – Director
Chaddi Jurdi - President, FIU Student Chapter (not able to attend)
Maria Giraldo - President, MDC Student Chapter (not able to attend)

Additional Student Liaisons

Orianna Caschetta – FIU

Additional Attendees

- I **Welcome/Quorum:** President Dave Clarke welcomed attendees. A quorum was present.
- Past-President Lin Li recapped Annual Meeting with awards given to Miami Chapter:
 - * 1st Place – Best for Recruiting New Members
 - * 2nd Place – Large Chapter, ACE AwardThe 2017 Annual Meeting will be at The Breakers in Palm Beach.

II **Meeting Minutes Approval**

Minutes from June Board Meeting and July planning meeting to be approved via email.

III **Treasurer Report**

Budget details provided and discussed, including holding funds for new Resilient Utility Coalition and estimated split for luncheons between CG Country Club and 94th Aero Squadron

IV Publications/Communications Director Report – no report

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 whether Feb. 4 or Feb. 11 is better for MDC to host; Lin sent email to Jeff Miller to find out.
- 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- First meeting coming up soon and invites for Chapter BOD
Speakers will be going out soon, too; also getting ready to submit budget to Brenda.

MDC - Maria Camila Giraldo- no report

University of Miami – still vacant, but Alex Montenegro is 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.- Gus coordinating early this year and information is coming together.
- 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.- 1 hour pdh requests are coming in and license renewal is coming in Feb. 2017

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. - Nothing to report.
- c) Florida Engineers in Education – OPEN
- d) Florida Professional Engineers in Industry – OPEN
- e) Florida Professional Engineers Retired – OPEN

VI State Director Report – Chapter Report is Due to State – new form provided for report

VII Past Events

Upcoming Events

September luncheon at 94th Aero Squadron to feature Eloi Ramos and include 1 pdh credit

October luncheon at CG Country Club on Oct. 20

Trap Shoot – Friday, Oct. 28

November 17 – dinner? Topic of Re-engineering Cuba

Holiday Dinner – Dec. 15

Future City – Jan. 14 – can start registering now as mentors; Jose Acosta taking lead with Dr. Mohammed and receiving support from Dave and Brenda

January 21 – Moving Miami – Check with Louise

Feb. 4 or 11 – MATHCOUNTS at MDC Kendall Campus

Feb. 18 – Miami Dade Public Schools STEM event

Late Feb. – Engineer’s Week – Gus to reach-out to FDOT to see if they can host again

As to Banquet for Engineer’s Week, Victor to coordinate and get date set

March – possible additional pdh event, to take place after luncheon and guest speaker finished

Possibly have Mayor speak in March

Additional Road Map to Success April/May

Possible Hard Rock Stadium pdh event in May

VIII Chapter Committee Reports - none

IX Old Business - none

X New Business

Idea of Corporate Annual Sponsorship Discussed – Dave will do survey to see which/how many companies may be interested

XI Open Discussions

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NEXT BOARD MEETING scheduled for October 3, 2016