



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

March 10, 2014

12:00 PM

Parsons Brinckerhoff, 7300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 700, Miami, FL 33126

Attendees:

Ron Colas – President
Gus Quesada – President-Elect
Lin Li – Vice President
Steven Goldstein – Secretary
Fernando Gomez – Director

- I Welcome/Quorum:** President Ron Colas welcomed attendees. A quorum was not present. Agenda items were discussed but no official motions were introduced.
- II Meeting Minutes Approval**
 - a) Minutes from January 13, 2014 Board Meeting had been distributed for Board approval, but there was insufficient response. Approval will be sought at next Board Meeting with a quorum.
 - b) Steve Goldstein presented minutes from February 10, 2014 Board Meeting. Approval will be sought at next Board Meeting with quorum.
- III Treasurer Report** – Dave Clarke not present. No report given.
- IV Communications Director Report** – Sam Gonzalez not present. Ron will forward Sam information for March newsletter.
- V State Director Report** – Jeff Easley presented report via e-mail. Senate Bill 692, changing continuing education requirements from 8 PDH to 20 PDH over two-year renewal cycle, has passed committee. Gus reported that the FBPE will hold a teleconference on March 12 to discuss proposals for separate structural licensing.
- VI Past Event Wrap-Up**
 - a) February 22, 2014 – Engineer’s Week Banquet, Miami Airport Sheraton. Event was successful, but it was suggested that planning for next year’s event begin earlier in the year.
- VII Upcoming Events**
 - a) March 27, 2014 – Miami-Dade Commissioner Juan Zapata. Location – Miami Airport Sheraton. Topic – Alternate Project Delivery.
 - b) April 3, 2014 – Regional Industry Workshop: Alternative Contracting Delivery Methods.

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- i. Location – Miami Airport Sheraton (tentative)
 - ii. Gus distributed draft agenda. Will refine further.
 - iii. Save the date e-mail to be distributed in next day or two.
 - iv. Sponsorship levels will be same as for banquet.
 - v. Gus will serve as main moderator. Additional moderators needed for individual sessions.
 - vi. Many panelists already confirmed. Other tentative panelists have been contacted. Gus will confirm and finalize and presenter roster.
 - vii. FDOT Secretary Ananth Prasad will not attend. Special award for which he was previously selected will be presented to him at a future occasion when he is in Miami. Discussion held about possible recipients of special recognition (Gus Pego, Mayor Gimenez, Commissioner Zapata). Gus to discuss further with Awards Committee.
- c) April/May 2014 – Trap Shoot. It was suggested to move originally proposed April 11 date back, probably to early May.
- d) May 23, 2014 – Golf Tournament at Miami Springs Country Club. Jeff Easley indicated that venue has been booked and that flyer will be distributed in April.

VIII Committee Reports

- Professional Development – Gus indicated that state committee is holding conference call later this week. Gus will request PDH's for Regional Industry Workshop.
- Professional Concerns – Jeff Easley indicated no new developments to report.
- Ethical Practices Committee – No report
- K – 12 Students – No report
- Student Professional Development – No report
- Scholarship Committee – Steve reported that number of applications received was low compared to previous few years, but he did not remember the exact number. Deadline to submit top applications to state is March 28. State selection meeting is tentatively April 25.
- MathCounts – State competition will be held March 20 in Orlando. Four teams from Miami-Dade County will participate. Lin is unable to attend.
- Future Cities – National competition was held. Florida students did not win any awards.
- Annual Conference Committee – Jeff Easley indicated that registration has been opened.
- Leadership Advisory Committee – No report
- Awards – Fernando obtained Ron's signatures on Chapter award applications. Fernando will obtain Jeff's signatures and then forward applications to state.
- Membership Development – No report
- Communications Advisory Committee – No report

IX Student Chapter Reports

- FIU – No report
- MDC – No report

X Open Discussions

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- Some Board members had been approached about changing awards protocol in order to provide complimentary banquet admission to award winners. Consensus was to continue to charge award winners to attend the banquet.

XI Adjourn at 1:30 PM

NEXT BOARD MEETING: April 14, 2014