



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2015
12:00 PM

RS&H, 6161 Blue Lagoon Drive, Suite 200, Miami, FL 33126

Attendees:

Gus Quesada – President
Lin Li – President-Elect (via telephone)
Dave Clarke – Vice President
Steven Goldstein – Secretary
Marie-Elsie Dowell - Treasurer
Sam Gonzalez – Communications Director
Ron Colas – Past President (via telephone)
Jeff Easley – State Director
Tom Ruiz – Director (via telephone)
Fernando Gomez – Director (via telephone)

- I Welcome/Quorum:** President Gus Quesada welcomed attendees. A quorum was present.
- II Meeting Minutes Approval**
 - a) Minutes from December 8 Board Meeting were approved.
- III Treasurer Report**
 - a) Marie presented report thru December. Checking account balance is \$22,133.99. There are a handful of receivables. Checks for Future Cities will be sent out.
- IV Communications Director Report**
 - a) Website has been recently updated.
- V State Director Report –** Next state Board Meeting to be held February 3 in Tallahassee.
- VI Recent Events**
 - a) Toys collected at Holiday Party have been delivered to designated charity.
- VII Upcoming Events**
 - a) January 2015 - Open
 - b) February 25, 2015 – Engineers’ Week Luncheon (with FDOT). Topic will be focus on engineering education. Future City teams will present their entries. FES will recognize FDOT employee for STEM efforts.

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- c) February 28, 2015 – Contract being finalized with Airport Sheraton. Entertainment will consist of Casino Night. Possible hiring of DJ being considered.
- d) March 2015 – Flexible pavement. PDH's to be awarded. Venue to be determined.
- e) May 2015 – Golf Tournament. Alternate venues being researched. Miami Springs Golf Course will be fallback if alternate venue not found.
- f) June 2015 – Installation Dinner. (Election ballots to be sent in May.)
- g) Potential 2015 lunch meetings – Climate change/sea level rise, Downtown Miami (Gus reached out to Alice Bravo and Mark Spanioli).

VIII Committee Reports

- Professional Development – No report
- Professional Concerns – No report
- Ethical Practices Committee – No report
- K – 12 Students – No report
- Student Professional Development – Gus spoke at FGCU. Gus approached faculty at MDC and FIU about revitalizing Student Chapters; no tangible results yet.
- Scholarship Committee – Solicitation letters have been sent to high schools. Applications due February 13. Gus will further publicize by notifying his contacts.
- MathCounts – Lin will set up coordination meeting with several volunteers to plan logistics. Main competition to be held Saturday, February 21, 2015 at MDC Kendall Campus, with supplementary competition on Thursday, February 5 for Jewish day schools.
- Future Cities – Judges needed for regional competition being held January 17 at FIU Engineering Center. Ron will fill in for Gus at Awards presentation.
- Annual Conference Committee – Conference call scheduled held to discuss keynote and technical session speakers. Changes to conference format being considered, but probably will not be implemented this year.
- Leadership Advisory Committee – No report
- Awards – Fernando sent out solicitation letters to Young Engineer nominees. Solicitation letters for remaining awards to be sent out within next day.
- Membership Development – Updated application being developed to incorporate new membership categories approved in recent bylaws update.
- Communications Advisory Committee – Conference call scheduled later in January.
- Charter & Bylaws – Proposed revisions to state charter and bylaws have been approved.
- Centennial Committee – Planning underway for conference events.

IX Student Chapter Reports

- Miami-Dade College – No report.
- FIU – No report.

X Open Discussions

- None

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XI Adjourn at 1:15 PM

NEXT BOARD MEETING: February 2, 12:00 PM