

**WSACE
Board of Directors Meeting
June 10, 2009
(Kennewick, WA)**

Members Present

Derek Pohle, Pres.
Brian Stacy, Pres. Elect
Mark Storey, Sec/Treas.
Gary Rowe, Managing Director WSACE
Ryan Lopossa, NACE Rep.
Kent Cash, Past President
Todd O'Brien, Eastern Dist. Sec.
Joe Rutan, Western Dist Rep

Guests & Associates

Randy Hart, CRAB
Walt Olsen, CRAB
Owen Wilson, Snohomish
Reid Wheeler
Bob Moorhead, CRAB
Ken Stone, Cowlitz
Larry Pearson, CRAB
Jeff Monson, CRAB
Karen Pendalton, CRAB
Mary Hunt
Tim Fife, Franklin Co.
Gary Ekstedt, Yakima Co.
Monte Reinders,

Called to order 10:00 AM
Minutes from May 2009 meeting approved.

President's Report – (Derek Pohle)

- Presidents Report was emailed a week ago.
- Ballot Counting – Brian Stacy and Reid Wheeler volunteered.
- New members- Walt reports that there are no new members. There is a new appointment for Benton County, Tim Fife (temporary). King County now the County Engineer is split between two of the transportation engineers. Paulette Norman has taken over their marine division.
- Derek went over the conference agenda.
- Membership directory – Karen is willing to continue preparing the membership directory. Ultimately, when we have a fully functioning website, we will have a downloadable version.
- WSACE officers manual – needs to be updated. Gary will be looking at the manual. They are on the website. There are some procedures that need to be updated, and Karen will work with Gary to do the updates.

Presidents-Elect's Report – (Brian Stacy)

- Brian sent out reminders regarding the standing committees.
- Reid reported on the salary survey.
- There was also discussion regarding Day Labor.
- Gary reviewed some minor changes for consideration of the bylaws committee.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – (Mark Storey)

- Budget-actual for 2009 to date.

- Proposed budget for 2010. Discussion regarding future does increases. Any increase will have to be based upon the revenue level received from WSAC to support the Managing Directors position. We are currently at 50% of total county dues level, based on what was approved a couple of years ago. Also included in the budget is the cost to have a CPA do some work on taxes and accounting.

Eastern District Report - (Todd O'Brien)

- Todd - nothing new to report.

Western District Report – (Joe Rutan)

- Joe – nothing new to report.

NACE Report – (Ryan Lopossa)

- Peoria conference. Ryan will report to the full meeting group. Will talk about potentially hosting a conference for NACE in Washington. Nothing new to report.

Managing Director's Report - (Gary Rowe)

- Gary passed out his yearly report (first of its kind) to the Executive Board, and will pass it out to the general membership later today. It summarizes the many activities that Gary has been involved in since coming to work for WSACE, including a legislative update. The session was more about stopping bad legislation rather than from support of good legislation.
- The website should be up and running by sometime in July.
- We need to pay attention to the next legislative session. We need to consider reforming both a legislative committee, and a finance committee. They are both listed in the bylaws. This will help Gary work with CRAB during the next session.
- Gary indicated that the Washington Transportation Commission is starting to work on a new Transportation Plan. We need to get the commissioners tuned in to the funding needs of transportation and county roads. This would be a function of the Transportation Committee.
- Gary has hired a CPA to help with our tax reports in the past. The intent is to get into conformance with the law. We will start in early 2010 and get into compliance in 2010 for the 2009 tax year.
- We are set up to have our Professional Development conference again in Skamania. We need to start pinning down the program.
- Brian will be taking Ryans place at the upcoming NACO conference.
- Gary asked the board whether or not he should attend the NACO conference and represent us at the national level. The board seemed to think we should support Gary at the federal level.
- Gary will discuss the clean water act proposal at the general meeting.
- Meeting schedule – need to work together with district representative.
- We need to look at other opportunities to recognize our members. Right now we have Engineer of the Year, and should consider ways to raise the overall opinion of our members.

- Courthouse Journal – We should look for more opportunities to participate. We need a work plan for the members to contribute. We can front load some of the articles written by engineers regarding engineering issues.
- Gary will try to coordinate some county visits. (Entice Gary with golf).
- WDFW agreement – Gary presented a draft copy of a resolution for consideration by WSACE. ***Motioned and seconded to have the President sign the statement of intent to work with WDFW. Motion passed unanimously.***
- CTED will present information regarding the biofuels proposal by the legislature. We will hear from Tim Stearns tomorrow regarding the timeline for the requirements.
- WDNR – Gary has been discussing land surveys with WDNR. This has to do with recording surveys. They are currently not getting copies of the recorded surveys. We will be trying to set down a common procedure for all our members.
- Local Roads Matter - we don't currently have a consistent "needs" analysis for the county road system.

OTHER BUSINESS

- None presented.

Adjourned at 11:30 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Mark Storey, P.E.

WSACE Secretary/Treasurer