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MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS SOUTHEAST CHAPTER



September 10, 2015 Membership Meeting Minutes

8:45 pm

The program speaker for the evening was Chad Studer, President/Owner of ADSK Solutions. His topic was UAVs (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle), their present applications and potential uses in surveying including a pre-program outside demonstration of a camera equipped drone.

1. Regular Board Meeting Call to Order

The September 10th, 2015 Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Society of Professional Surveyors Membership Meeting was held at Mama Mia Restaurant, 27770 Plymouth Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 and called to order at 8:45 PM by President Adolfo Castillo.

2. Treasurer's Report (Jim Hollandsworth)

Jim provided a brief report of the current assets and a summary of expenses.

- 3. State Highlights Report None
- 4. NSPS Report (Craig Amey)

The NSPS Fall Business Meetings will be held October 8th and 9th at the Kalahari Resort and Conference Center in Sandusky Ohio.

5. Committee's and Reports

a. Golf Outing

Gary Chalice reported that the Golf Outing was held on Friday June 12th at Bruce Hills Golf Club, 32 golfers attended and everyone seemed to have a good time.

b. Boat Races

It was generally reported that all went well with the boat races.

c. 2015 Southeast Chapter Picnic

None this year – The picnic committee is looking for ideas / suggestions for next year.

6. Correspondence

Adolfo Castillo was asked if he would speak to Spanish speaking students at western International and Cesar Chavez High Schools regarding the Surveying Discipline. Apparently there is demand for Spanish literate surveyors in the Southerly United States

Kelly Fedele will not be doing the Science Olympiad this year and volunteers are needed to take this on. Following discussion it was decided that Adolfo Castillo would try to get more information regarding what needs to be done.

7. Unfinished Business

The October "Whirly Ball" meeting will be changed to the November meeting date due to a conflict with the NSPS Fall meetings. The idea of the Whirly Ball fun night is to attempt to bring in younger surveyors, ex members and other potential members to MSPS.

Adolfo Castillo has reviewed the committee requirements for the chapter and has noted that several years ago there were 16 active committees for the chapter. Currently there are 10 that he feels should be continued and that committee members should be confirmed, designated or appointed for.

The Science Olympiad was brought up again, Jim Hollandsworth explained what it was about and **that** the commitment might be for someone who may take it on. It is usually held on a Saturday in March. Following some light hearted discussion Scott Roth and Mark Rozema volunteered to take over for Kelly Fedele.

One committee that has not been active has been the Macomb County Community College Surveying Program Committee. Craig Amey spoke regarding the program: only one surveying class that has activity of late has been the Intro to Surveying Class and that is mainly because of the Civil Technology program. The Survey Technology Program needs to revamped and brought up to date if it is to continue. It will be up to the Southeast Chapter to get the program on its feet again or there is a good chance it will not continue to exist. Jason Verran will get some sort of information to the Southeast Chapter Membership.

8. New Business

Adolfo Castillo mentioned the remaining schedule for the year.

Jim Hollandsworth mentioned that changes to the condominium act are to be expected regarding who can sign and seal the Exhibit B documents.

Jim also stated that Scott Roth and Brent Hollandsworth were working towards a reduced membership rate for young surveyors hoping that a lower membership cost will appeal to them.

There will be a lot of discussion and information regarding changes to the life membership requirements coming soon.

9. Good of the Order

Jason Verran mentioned that the renewal period of licensure has begun. He had utilized the on-line renewal option and that there are a few questions to answer – including if you have met the CEH requirements. Upon finishing you will be notified within three days that your license has been renewed.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Adolfo Castillo and ended at approximately 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Gary M. Chalice