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**MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS
SOUTHEAST CHAPTER**



January 14, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

5:30 pm

1. Regular Board Meeting Call to Order

The January 14, 2016 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Society of Professional Surveyors was called to order at 5:40 PM by President Scott Roth PS. Board members present were: Adolfo Castillo PS Larry Feindt PS, Karl Brandys PS, Don DeKeyser, Karol Grove PS, Greg Ash PS, Leyla Ahmed PS and Gary Chalice. Larry O'Donnell PS as State Representative. The meeting was held at DeCarlo's Banquet & Convention Center 6015 E. Ten Mile Road Warren, MI 48091.

2. Roll Call

At the time of the roll call all members but two were present, the two not at roll call showed up shortly after – all members were present for the meeting.

3. Review of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed by the board members and three items were added per request of Adolfo Castillo PS. (1) Discussion of the payment method for this evening dinner meeting. (2) The destruction of ballots from the recent Southeast Chapter elections. (3) Correspondence regarding the Macomb County Community College Surveying Program.

4. Review of November Board of directors Meeting Minutes (No Membership Meeting was held in November)

The November minutes were reviewed by the Board of Directors. A motion to approve the November minutes as written was made by Greg Ash PS – seconded by Larry O'Donnell PS –no discussion – motioned voted on by the Board of Directors. President Roth acknowledged the motion has passed.

5. Treasurer's Report (Greg Ash PS)

Greg provided a brief report of the current assets and a summary of expenses supported by balance sheets (attached). There is \$2,010.13 in checking and \$23,152.07 in savings.

Karol Grove PS inquired if an audit of the accounts had taken place – the response was that it had occurred and all is in order.

Larry O'Donnell motioned to accept the Treasurers report as provided – no discussion – motion was voted on by the Board of Directors. President Roth acknowledged the motion has passed.

6. State Highlights Report (Larry O'Donnell)

Mollee Neff has prepared a report regarding the current membership status.

Adolfo Castillo has completed the Southeast Chapter Annual Report.

Email problems from the Central Office have been reported and are being looked into.

January 17th is the deadline to register early for the MSPS Annual Meeting.

A general membership vote will be held regarding proposed changes to the Life Membership at the Annual Meeting opening business meeting.

A statement was made that Kelly Fedele PS PE should contact Art Brintnall PS regarding the Southeast Chapter Scholarship awards.

As result of the recent election the State Board of Directors is now comprised of the following professionals:

Kelly Marie Fedele, PS, PE

President-2018

Christopher L. Lester, PS

First Vice President-2018

Jonathon C. Wildrom, PS

Second Vice President- 2019

Carol A. Waite

Secretary-2019

Barbara H. Snyder, PS

Treasurer-2017

James Hollandsworth, PS, PE

Past President-2017

Directors

Lawrence R. Feindt, PS-2018

Max R. George, PS-2018

Karol L. Grove-Tomlinson, PS-2019

Brett S. Hollandsworth, PS- 2017

Jonathan Rick, PS-2017

The Young Surveyors Council is currently deciding if they should remain a council or become a chapter within MSPS.

7. NSPS Report

No report this meeting.

8. Committees and Reports

Future City Program – Karol Grove PS reported that this will be the fourth year for the program and that she will be looking for 7 or 8 surveyors to help during the event. Karol will pass around a signup sheet during the general membership meeting.

Due to time constraint the determination of new committees will be put off to a future board meeting however a quick review of the current committees and a yes or no determination of necessity and acknowledgement of committee members were conducted with the following results:

Boat Race Committee – Yes (Dave Smith PS, Karol Grove PS and Joe Kapelczak PS)

Career Days – Unknown if they are still held, Ray Donnelly PS will reach out to school(s)

Career Expo Macomb Community College – Scott Roth PS will inquire

Holiday Party – Yes – Cathy DeDecker PS

Golf Outing – Yes – Gary Chalice PS and Jim Isaacs PS

Macomb County Community College Advisory – Unknown – Scott Roth PS and Adolfo Castillo PS will look into it

Nominations – Yes – John Fenn PS (new elections/tellers committee will be formed)

Safety – Yes – Adolfo Castillo PS

Scholarship – Yes – Kelly Fedele PS PE

Science Olympiad – Yes – Scott Roth PS and Mark Rozema

Seminars / Technical Sessions – No – Motion made by Greg Ash PS to eliminate the committee and seconded by Karol Grove PS – discussion held regarding changing to a program committee, motion was not changed following discussion - motioned voted on by the Board of Directors. President Roth acknowledged the motion has passed.

Summer Family Social Event (picnic) – Yes – Greg Ash PS, Kelly Fedele PS PE and Jim Isaacs PS

Young Surveyors – Yes – Scott Roth (Jason Verran PS indicated he would be interested I this committee)

Web Site – (to be discussed during general membership meeting)

President Roth expressed his gratitude to Karl Brandys for accepting the Chapter Representative position.

Election Committee appointment;

All members not currently on the Board of Directors were asked to leave the room!

Due to a prior Board of Directors assignment which resulted in an unnoticed “Past President” vacancy, and caused an open position on the Board of Directors, discussion was held on how to rectify the problem. It was noted that Section 2, Structure and Elections – outline item 1b of the Chapter Bylaws provides that “When any Board of Directors vacancy results from a member serving as the immediate past president or a vacancy results for any other reason, such unexpired term shall be filled by appointment, by the Board of Directors”. A motion was made by Karol Grove PS and seconded by Greg Ash PS that the Board of Directors should appoint a new director and that the Bylaw regarding this provision be further discussed at a later date for possible clarification – the motion was voted on by the Board of Directors - President Roth acknowledged that the motion has passed.

Discussion Followed regarding who should be considered and or appointed to the open position on the board of directors. It was pointed out that the Elections Committee would recommend Jason Verran PS as a fair choice. A motion was made by Karol Grove PS and seconded by Larry Feindt PS that the Board of Directors offer Jason Verran PS a position as a Director and should he accept confirm his position. – No further discussion occurred - The motion was voted on by the Board of Directors. President Roth acknowledged the motion has passed.

9. Correspondence:

Karol Grove PS mentioned that taking a train to the annual Meeting may be an interesting option of travel.

A reminder was made to make sure membership dues are paid.

10. Unfinished Business

Vacant board of Directors Position; Jason Verran was offered the position of Director to fill the vacancy and accepted the position.

Ideas for speakers; the following questions were presented without resolve – but will be part of future discussions.

Do we always want a speaker and presentation for chapter meetings or should we consider non-industry presentations – credit vs non-credit programs?

Do we want to add signature sheets to the website for attendees use? Should the sheets be sent to the Board of Directors for distribution or to Mollee Neff for inclusion to individual account on the MISPS website?

G.U.I.D.E. (Geospatial Utility Infrastructure Data Exchange)

Adolfo Castillo PS will be attending a program in Las Vegas in March and will get an idea of what other states are doing regarding infrastructure mapping and information distribution.

Recognition Awards; The Board of Directors will need to identify those members who should receive a recognition award. Jim Isaacs PS has been the member that has ordered the plaques to be presented in the past. Should a committee be formed for this process? Further discussion will be held at a later date.

Webpage; There has been problem with the payment for the Southeast Chapter website, the credit card used seems to be not valid presently. Greg Ash PS will contact Dave Smith PS (former Treasurer) and inquire about past fees. Karol Grove PS suggested that the fees we are paying for the website may be excessive! Further discussion will be held at a later date.

501 3 C.; The Chapter considered for a 501 3 C classification on its own – however can be granted a special classification with MSPS. The attorney for MSPS will prepare the paperwork and apply for \$500.00 fee to chapters pursuing the classification. Jason Verran PS motioned that the Board of Directors approve the payment of \$500.00 for the attorney fees – seconded by Karol Grove PS - no discussion – motion was voted on by the Board of Directors. President Roth acknowledged the motion has passed.

11. New Business

Meeting Schedule – A meeting schedule will be put together showing the programs and venues – a suggestion was made that perhaps we should look into the same venue each month which may provide a savings to the chapter.

12. Good of the Order

Nothing was mentioned or discussed

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary M. Chalice PS