Board Meeting Minutes
September 29th, 2016 (September Meeting)

Board Members:
A.J. Smith (AJ) (President)
Christopher Nye (Chris) (1st Vice President)
Firat Sever (Firat) (Treasurer)
Matt Baxendell (Matt) (2nd Vice President) (Not Present)
Zach Stolarsky (Zach) (Secretary)
Brooks Vogel (Brooks) (Member-at-Large/Newsletter Editor) (Not Present)
Carlos Vazquez (Carlos) (President Emeritus)

Guests, Past Board Members, Younger Members:
Peter Narsavage (Peter) (Website Editor, Ohio Council)
Jason Ross (Jason) (Student Section Advisor, OSU) (Not Present)
Patrick Karnes (Patrick) (President, Younger Members)
Jim Pajk (Jim) (Ohio Council) (Not Present)
Bob Heady (Bob) (Student Section Advisor, OU) (Not Present)
Mark Seidelm (Mark) (Past President)
Dave Pritchard (Dave) (Past President)
Daniel Pradel (Daniel) (OSU Professor/ Geo-Institute)
Bethanie Meek (Bethanie) (Past President/ASCE Central Ohio Geotechnical Committee Chair)

The meeting was convened at 11:30 AM at the Hull & Associates office (Dublin, Ohio). The participants are listed above.

Secretary’s Report (Zach Stolarsky)

Proposed idea to post board meeting minutes to the website. Agreed to by the board. Will find an agreed upon place to post then it will be the secretaries responsibility to post.

Treasurer’s Report (Firat Sever)

The report was submitted by Firat.

Firat has not yet looked into Quick Books but ASCE national uses it and it is a possibility for us to use under their umbrella. Firat could not log in, will try again.

There is another analysis service charge of $20.00 on 9/15/16. Firat will dispute the charges.

Under StarChapters we are not able to see which deposit is for which activity. Peter will look into this.

Younger member’s secretary Jennifer Rivera will get a reimbursement check for attending Reginal Conference.

AJ is still due a reimbursement check for the August Board Meeting lunch.
**Luncheons (Christopher Nye)**

September luncheon had 116 attendees. Will look into a bigger venue in the future. Registration under Star chapter went smoothly with several companies registering multiple people. As of right now, StarChapter is not able to email PDH credits. Paper receipts were given to members paying cash and once Chris added members who paid cash to the list of registries, they were emailed a receipt. As of right now, we won’t be advertising an ability to take credit cards at the door.

Further discussions regarding luncheon cancelation policy was had, no decision was made to cancel or enforce the stated policy. Other local engineering groups have one and will enforce it. It was brought up to let members know that they can send replacements if they cannot attend.

A vote was taken to raise the cost of luncheons for non-members from $20 to $25. Voting for the cost increase to non-members: Chris, AJ, Firat, and Zach. Voting against the price increase: Carlos. Measure passed and the cost will increase to $25 for non-members to attend luncheons. Will start by using the honor system for members and non-members to self-report and go from there.

Upcoming luncheon is ACI Repair Code with ACI at the Bridgewater Center on October 13. As of board meeting, 6 people are registered.

**Technical Seminar (Matt Baxendell)**

Idea to use this year’s Spring Seminar as a launching point for the ASCE Central Ohio Section GeoInstitute. Board will discuss with Matt to see where he is in the planning.

**Webinars (Brooks Vogel)**

Upcoming webinars include November 1, Advanced Culvert Hydraulics with HEC-RAS at Stantec and November 2 – Road Safety and Signage Audit at Korda.

**Newsletter (Brooks Vogel)**

No complaints with new format.

**Younger Member Group (President – Patrick Karnes)**

First meeting was held on Tuesday September 20th. It was well attended by Younger members and by some OSU students. The group is participating in the Run for Water 5k on Saturday October 1st. Patrick has the ability to post this and future events on the website.

Patrick has spoken to Michael Hatenburger about further OSU/YM collaborations.

Daniel brought up the need for both younger members and life members of ASCE to help with the OSU capstone projects. Especially in Land Development. Daniel will coordinate with Jason, Peter and Patrick about this.

Planning is going well for the OTEC happy hour at Brothers. All of the organizations have committed though some are still finalizing the dollar figure. The flyer has prepared and Patrick is in the process of getting logos from the organizations. The plan is to send out this weekend to YM and to the other organizations from distribution.
**Student Chapter Practitioner Advisors (OSU – Jason Ross, OU - Bob Heady)**

OSU has begun planning OVSC. Peter believes that the Starchapter website is not suitable for the OSU/OU OVSC.

**Membership Events (Matt Baxendell)**

Chris is still looking into trapshooting outing. Cleveland ASHE does one that goes from 12:00-3:00 with a box lunch and training and charges members $40, guests $55, and then has a boxed lunch.

**Other Items of Business**

**ASCE Presidents & Governors Forum wrap-up**

AJ attend. ~80 presidents from around the country. Dream Big movie info passed to Carlos.

Other sections celebrated the centennial. Some did a dinner, ours is in 2021. They recommend starting a year or two in advance. Some do an enhanced section logo. Peter mentioned other sections have hired a historian. Dave mentioned that he has items going back to the 1940’s.

Higher Logic is an file sharing site from ASCE national with a lot of good resources. We can copy those resources into our dropbox for our use just use nationals ftp site. Daniel recommends not using ASCE Higher logic as they change their system. Our dropbox is getting full and we might need to use the paid service in the near future.

Next year’s forum is September 18th. Sunday/Monday

**ASCE film “Dream Big” (Carlos Vazquez)**

Carlos and Tom Less with YM met with COSI last Monday along with SWE and WTS. COSI plans on releasing the movie and along with other activities. They like the STEM expo and will possibly have a greater involvement in that. Looking for ways to bring in kids for the movie and involve schools, have a girl’s only night, and include minority students. Some of their ideas for the movie includes special nights and discounts for ASCE members. COSI will be showing the movie until mid-May. Two trailers of the movie are already out.

**GeoInstitute chapter in Central Ohio (Daniel Pradel)**

GeoInstitute (GI) at the national level has money to help form local chapters. Daniel led the GI in LA and helped establish a spring seminar with 3 speakers. Daniel will try to contact national GI and try to secure funds. Not a lot of GI in our area, one in Cleveland. Cincinnati has a conference (ORVCC) in November. Daniel can spearhead but would just need help in finding out what local geotechnical engineers care about. ASCE Central Ohio might need to help with funding. Daniel will start with one event a year and see the interest and turn out. Looking for spring to avoid ORVCC and OTEC. It was brought up that this might be an opportunity to meld the Spring Seminar and the start of the GI. Also might want to fold in the TH Wu lecture by possibly having it on the same day.
Ohio Council

Meeting in Akron on Friday September 30th. AJ restated Central Ohio ASCE’s support of Ohio Council.

President-Elect Swallow visit planning

Chris started to fill out request form. The plan is to have a YM Social the night before, breakfast with OSU, their student groups, and local principles, and lunch the next day. Ohio State would fund the breakfast. Michael Hadenurger is the interim student chapter advisor. Kevin Sterdfield is also a contact for OSU. May 18th is day Chris is requesting, just after graduation.

2017 Multi-Region Leadership Conference (WSBL, CRYMC, WSL) February 3-4 in Minneapolis, MN

1 person from the board will attend. Chris will confirm his calendar and will most likely attend. YM will send a representative as well.

Career Day (Bethanie)

Next Thursday October 6th. 19 Students are currently signed up and the goal is over 20. Opened up to sophomores this year and will make sure to advertise that next year. They will be touring in Dublin Bridge Street project in the morning. In the afternoon they will tour a City of Columbus fire station. During lunch they will hear from Deb McAvoy from OU and Michael Hadenuger or Daniel for OSU. OSU is picking up the cost for the room and the bus. We are picking up meals.

Miscellaneous

Firat’s plan to establish other subcommittees was brought up. It was decided to work on establishing the GI and work from there. A.J. mentioned this on the September newsletter but got no response.

Request from a for-profit company wanting us to advertise their LEED accreditation class was denied.

The next meeting will be on November 3rd, 2016 at 11:30 AM at the Hull & Associates office (Dublin, Ohio).

This meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Submitted,
Zach Stolarsky
Secretary – Central Ohio ASCE