

CSCE Members in Attendance:

Rob Barakat* Ron Nault* Jason Waterbury*
Billy Cunningham Sara Ramsbottom*
Chris Holden* Jay Silva*
Tom Loto Jim Sime

Administrative Staff:
Amy Petrone

*Note: CSCE Board Members

1. President's Report (Ron Nault):

1.1 ACE Awards

- 1.1.1 ACE Trophies – Chris Holden will order the trophies by April 26, 2010.
- 1.1.2 Dinner Pamphlet – This will be finalized by April 30, 2010. Someone on the Nominating Committee will provide a write-up for the dinner pamphlet. Ron Nault will contact Roy Merritt to determine if the Legislative Affairs Committee will be nominating someone to be Legislator of the Year. Ron Nault will also contact the Benjamin Wright Award winner.
- 1.1.3 ACE Sponsors – Sponsors of the Liquid Assets program will be offered 50% off ACE Sponsorships at the same level or higher. The Liquid Assets information should be removed from the website.
- 1.1.4 Registration Assistance – Sara Ramsbottom will check with the Younger Members Committee to see if anyone is interested in helping with the registration in exchange for \$25 off his or her ACE registration fee.
- 1.1.5 ASCE National Representation at the ACE Awards – Amy Petrone will obtain this information from Billy Cunningham.
- 1.1.6 Award Plaques – Billy Cunningham will obtain the award plaques for the Benjamin Wright Award, the President's Gavel, and the President's Award.
- 1.1.7 PowerPoint Presentation of Applications – Amy Petrone will manage this presentation.
- 1.1.8 Sponsorship Board – Ron Nault will assemble this board.
- 1.1.9 Past CSCE Presidents – Amy Petrone will forward a list of the email addresses for past CSCE Presidents to Billy Cunningham.
- 1.1.10 E-blasts – Amy Petrone will send an e-blast publicizing the ACE Awards on 4/22 and 4/28. Jason Waterbury will coordinate a postcard mailing via USPS.
- 1.1.11 Master of Ceremonies (Dr. Mel) - Amy Petrone will purchase a \$50 American Express gift card and a thank you card to give to the Master of Ceremonies. Greg Holness will summarize the applications for the Master of Ceremonies to read.
- 1.1.12 Name Badge Ribbons – Ribbons will only be purchased for sponsors.
- 1.1.13 125th anniversary of CSCE – Randy States or Mario Ricozzi will provide a summary of these events for the dinner pamphlet.
- 1.1.14 2010-2011 Officers – The slate of officers nominated tonight will be Rabih Barakat (President), Jason Waterbury (President-Elect), Dan Kinard (Vice President), Robert Gomez (Treasurer), Greg Holness (Secretary), Sara Ramsbottom (Newsletter Editor), Chris Holden (Director II) and Ronald Nault (Director I).

- 1.2 Programs Committee - Connecticut Science Center – CSCE will explore the opportunity to host a dinner meeting at this location in the 2010-2011 program year.**

2. President-Elect's Report (Rabih Barakat):

- 2.1 SPAG Grant Application – Rob Barakat will explore the opportunity to coordinate with the Connecticut Science Center on an upcoming application.**

2.2 Geotechnical Technical Group (Gary Fuerstenberg)

- 2.2.1 2010 CSCE/DFI Seminar – This is scheduled for September 17, 2010. Based on a request from Gary Fuerstenberg, Jay Silva made a motion to provide the Geotechnical Technical Group with the latitude to pay up to \$1,000 for speakers from small firms or who are self employed to reimburse travel expenses and to pay an honorarium. This would be for a maximum of half the speakers. Jason Waterbury seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2.3 Membership Committee (Jason Waterbury)

- 2.3.1 Dues Waiver - Amy Petrone will ask Nancy Berson and Michael Cook of ASCE for the number of CSCE members who have taken advantage of the opportunity to waive dues this year.
- 2.3.2 Waiving Membership Dues for Municipal Employees – CSCE will explore the opportunity to waive the membership dues for municipal employees, as ITS does currently, at its July planning meeting.

- 2.4 Legislative Affairs (Roy Merritt) - Washington, DC Fly-In on May 26, 2010 – Chris Holden and a Younger Members Committee member will attend this event.**

3. Vice-President's Report (Jason Waterbury):

3.1 Public Relations Committee - Student Awards – These awards will be distributed at this dinner meeting. Amy Petrone will distribute a press release covering these awards.

3.2 Government Engineers Committee (Rabih Barakat) – Rob Barakat would like to re-activate this committee over the 2010-2011 program year.

4. Treasurer's Report (Greg Holness):

4.1 Budget - Status of Accounts – Greg Holness submitted a report for the ACE dinner pamphlet. As of April 1, 2010, CSCE is in an overall positive and healthy financial position. Back on October 1, 2009, CSCE held a balance of \$27,124. As of April 1, 2010, the balance was \$56,664.

4.2 Younger Members Committee (Sara Ramsbottom) - Annual Golf Tournament – Sara Ramsbottom will be organizing this event.

4.3 Scholarship Committee (Jim Sime) - Status of Portfolio – Jim Sime distributed a report on the scholarship fund. Based on this report, Jason Waterbury made a motion to move \$32,255 of the bond funds into a CD ladder (a series of CDs with different annual durations). Sara Ramsbottom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

5. Newsletter Editor (Sara Ramsbottom): April Newsletter – The newsletter should be ready shortly.

6. Director-II (Jay Silva):

6.1 Audit Committee - Set firm date to audit CSCE books – Jay Silva made a motion to ask a group of former CSCE Presidents including Jay Silva, Billy Cunningham and Tom Roy, to review CSCE's books with the Treasurer and the past Treasurer and develop protocol for keeping the books and record-keeping in the future. The motion was seconded by Jason Waterbury and it passed unanimously.

6.2 Nominating Committee – The Committee nominated Clarence Welti to receive the 2010 Benjamin Wright Award. Chris Holden made a motion to accept this nomination. Rob Barakat seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.

7. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at the Tuscany Grill in Middletown.