



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
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**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

February 21, 2019

The Mill on Round Lake, Round Lake, NY

President Winters called the meeting to order at 5:40pm

Present were: Kaleb Winters, Ralph Hill, Jim Vianna, Rick Palmer, Randy Paquin, Chuck Lent, Lucas Boyer and Brie Strom

Absent: Dwayne Cooper, Larry O'Connor, Pat VanHaverbeke, Nick Lehman and Kristin Darrah

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the December Meeting were accepted, motion made by Randy Paquin, seconded by Jim Vianna. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- LPL and Bank account balances – set up an online account, no paper statements anymore.
- 2019 Budget - \$500 shortfall but should even out as year goes on.
- Scholarship commitments
- The Capital Region Spring Home Show April 5-7 in Halfmoon.
- File e-Postcard by May 15th - Randy will file it
- NYSAPLS Adhoc Minimum Technical Standards Committee report
- BOCES 1/17 Survey Demo report

Jim made a motion to eliminate the existing Charles Hartnett scholarship and dedicate the Ranger School scholarship for \$1,000 to be in memory of Charles Hartnett. We should also keep the separate checking account that was set up for the Charles Hartnett fund because we receive checks made payable to that account.

Motion seconded by Chuck, motion passed.

President's Report

- NCEES looking for Future City Competition Judges for Albany, Kenmore, and NYC
- There are still 25 unpaid ENYSLS members, need to make more phone calls
- Highlights from NYSAPLS BOD January meeting
 - In Jeremy Thompson's Treasurer's report he stated finances are in good shape and the conference will meet and exceed expectations for gross income.
 - President de Bruin reported On January 15th, Greg, Emily Whalen and Dave Zacharias met with SBELSG and NYSSPE to discuss the new scope of practice drafted by SBELSG and also the proposed changes to the education requirements. All agreed that the proposed minimum 2-year requirement is still appropriate but we will re-word the language so it reads more clearly than prior attempts. The PEs will be going for a 4-year minimum. We will draft a single

education bill combining both LS and PE changes. Lastly, there was discussion about the continuing education requirements. SBELSG is requesting comments on desired changes to the requirements. They recognize that there is a desire by the professions to allow business oriented course to be eligible.

- Greg discussed the letter from Legislative Committee Chairman David Zacharias that was sent out to regional leadership. The letter asks them to follow through with sending the template letter Dave has written urging the State to increase funding and support for the OPD regarding our profession.
- In her Operation's Report, Amber Carpenter reported: She is back from maternity leave. Amber stated that there were currently 663 people registered for the conference.
- Scott Allen reported for the Ethical Practices Committee noting some re-occurring themes the committee has seen in complaints they have received:
 - Lack of communication, Engineering companies performing surveying without an LS license, Blatant encroachment upon our profession by unlicensed people using equipment to create and represent surveys such as drones.
- Greg de Bruin reported for the Legislative Committee mentioning a new bill that proposes changes to the prevailing wage law that could potentially expand prevailing wage to include private developments. A coalition of statewide business groups has been formed in opposition of the bill. He also reported ACEC has recently reached out to the design professions to invite them to participate in a coalition who has retained legal insight on MWBE issues.
- In Steve Boddecker's LSPAC report he talked about the LSPAC Reception Fundraiser to be held later that night. Steve stated that the LSPAC had taken in \$ 9,700 since its inception and had spent \$ 4,800 towards efforts to support our profession to date.
- In Patti Brooks' NSPS report she stated that Mark Sargent of the NHLSA is the NSPS new Vice President and he will be attending the NYSAPLS conference to represent NSPS. Patti also stated that a team of students from Alfred State would be attending the NSPS Student Competition on April 10th in Arlington, VA. The Shaw Fund is helping the students financially with their travel expenses. Patti went on to mention that the NSPS has sent amendments to all states who currently hold a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with NSPS for 100% membership to update the language to current practices and allow for dues increases. NYSAPLS signed our existing MOU in 2012.
- Greg de Bruin reported for the Strategic Planning Committee stating that Joe Malinowski had stepped down as chairman and Adolf Jonietz would be the new incoming chairman. Greg mentioned he is looking for multiple committee members to fill seats on various committees. Greg asked for a motion to accept the committee members he had chosen to date, a motion was made by Jason Graf and seconded by Tom Cerchiara, the motion was passed unanimously.
- Glenn Watson reported on behalf of the Awards and Nominations Committee noting the Pillars of Excellence Awards will be given at the awards luncheon on Monday.
- In Lem Morrison's Public Relations report he introduced Sarah-Becca Smith Andrew Mangini from Gramercy who were in attendance at the meeting. Lem stated that Gramercy would officially start their contracted work on February 1, 2019. The Gramercy team will begin by working with staff and the PR committee to conduct research and look for member recommendations to form a plan with a 12-month time line. Lem asked the regionals to participate and extend their local knowledge. Lem mentioned Steve Miller attended the New York State School Counselors Association tradeshow in Bolton Landing, November 15-18, 2018. He reported on some upcoming opportunities that the NYSAPLS PR committee is looking to participate in this March, 2019:
 - United Federal Teachers School Counselors Conference
 - Fabius Pompey Career Fair
 - National Surveyors Week
- In Roy Garfinkel's Adhoc Minimum Standards Committee report he stated that the

committee was 90% through their first draft of the Minimum Technical Standards and that they hope to have a document to submit to the BOD in March.

- President de Bruin made a call for new business - Roy Garfinkel stated that he would like the Board to consider issuing a special award to Darryl Moser for his years of dedicated service to Genesee Valley, NYSAPLS and the Conference Committee. Ken Stigner chairman of the Conference Committee then entered the meeting and also made a request that the Board recognize Darryl's dedication and years of service with an award. Roy made a motion to award Darryl with the Meritorious Service Award, Frank Ferrantello seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.
- In Greg de Bruin's President's report he reported It would be Janice's last day working with HQ staff, Greg mentioned he conducted an exit interview with Janice. Greg suggested that work could be done to encourage better interaction with vendors at the conference in the future. Greg spoke about the Presidents Round Table session and the representatives from New Hampshire and Vermont had mention that they liked the way NYSAPLS runs its conference.
- Barb Marvin of the NYSAPLS Auxiliary thanked Amber, Heather, Ken and the Conference Committee for their excellent work on the conference. Barb also notified the Board that some of the Auxiliary members would be interested in attending some conference classes in the future and asked the Board to consider making that possible.
- Dan Marvin delivered the Education Summit Report noting Ranger School students, Alfred State students and Paul Smith's students had attended the conference. Dan mentioned Alfred replaced Uli Besemann with Nick Ford. Dan also stated Bob Kraatz and Mike Webb would be retiring from Paul Smith's and the Ranger School. Dan said that the students had enjoyed the Mentor Program.
- Amber Carpenter delivered the Annual Conference Registration Report noting we received about 40 walk-in registrations with an unofficial 704 registrations, 774 w/ exhibitors.
- In the Teller's Report Jon Thompson stated that the vote was tallied at 59 for and 8 against, passing the bylaws amendments.
- 38 ASC, 24 PSC, and 4 RS students total. \$25,000 in scholarships handed out this year.
- Tom Cerchiara is offering Emerging Technologies presentation for 1 CEU (March Meeting if available?)

Kaleb made a request for supplies, motion by Randy to approve, seconded by Brie. The motion passed.

Executive Vice President's Report

- Randy ordering NSPS posters "get kids into surveying". He will provide the cost.

Vice President's Report

- 2016-2019 audit
- March meeting location reservation

STANDING COMMITTEES

Calibration Base Line (ad hoc): Randy needs to inspect bike path

Constitution & By-laws: nothing to report

Continuing Education: nothing to report

Ethics: nothing to report

Finance: nothing to report

Legislative: nothing to report

Program: nothing to report

Public Relations: nothing to report

Scholastic Development: nothing to report

Business Practice & Technical Information: nothing to report

Membership: nothing to report

Website: Chuck knows a person who does websites and he will ask for a price or input.

Old Business – none

New Business –

- ENYSLS Proprietor List. So far 6 responses have been received with update information.
- Next NYSAPLS BOD Meeting to be held Friday March 15th at the Embassy Suites at 86 E. Congress Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 from 7:30 – 10:00 pm and is open to all members. There will be a cocktail/networking hour from 5:30 – 6:30 pm with a cash bar and a light dinner buffet from 6:30 – 7:30 pm preceding the meeting.

The next meeting of the ENYSLS Board of Directors will be held Thursday, March 14, 2019 at TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm with a motion from Brie Strom, and a second from Randy Paquin.

Notes Provided by Ralph Hill, PLS.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dwayne Cooper
ENYSLS Secretary

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