

Meeting Minutes Pittsburgh Area Chapter, ACI January 11, 2017

Board members in attendance were: Andy Lawrence, Justin Rader, Josh Bryan, Dominic Giovannucci, Bob Lawrence, Matt Manning, Ronson Mazany, Carly McGee, Josh Rader and Dave Thomas

Those not present were: Paul Dykta, April Snyder, Nick Wytiaz

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: (Lawrence)

Grade I Technician:

- February 6-7 at New Enterprise – Roaring Spring - (51)
- February 20-21 at M & B Redi-Mix – Clarion - (30)
- March 6-7 at Stone & Co – Greensburg - (59)
- PSU Class – To be held sometime in April

Andy suggested that we add a brief statement to the Certification webpage stating that our Certification programs are ADA compliant. Following this suggestion, there was a discussion regarding offering a discount to military applicants who are registering for our certification classes. This will be discussed further, and guidelines set, before the classes begin in October.

Flatwork Finisher:

- February 2nd – NVR – 15 Registrants
- March 18th – For Cement Masons - Location to be determined

Concrete Strength & Aggregate Testing Tech: Sometime in April

Seminar – Due to the lack of registrations for the Basics of Concrete Seminar on January 31st, it was a unanimous decision to cancel the event. There was some discussion regarding the lack of interest and whether it be due to the topic, the cost or the time of year. All these factors will be considered when planning in the future.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: (Manning/Rader)

Checking: \$68,525	Janus: \$230,976	TOTAL: \$420,698
Money Market: \$25,645	Primerica: \$95,552	

We received a request to sponsor the PA Concrete Conference on February 22-23 in Harrisburg. **Andy Lawrence motioned to sponsor at the Silver Level (\$500). Bob Lawrence seconded. All present were in favor.**

We also received a request to support the ACI International Convention to be held in Detroit, MI on March 26-30. They sponsored our Chapter when we hosted the 2010 convention. **Therefore, Matt Manning motioned we reciprocate their \$1,000 donation. Dave Thomas seconded. All present were in favor.**

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE: (Matt Manning)

February 8th: Speaker will be Gregory Zeisler from ACI Int'l – Mass Concrete: How Big is Big?

March 8th: To be held at the University of Pitt – There will be a presentation on concrete related research at Pitt and tour of their lab.

Future meeting locations were discussed; however, since we only have the February 8th meeting left this year, it was agreed to keep the meeting at Domenicos.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: (Mazany/Thomas)

February Newsletter: Article on cold weather concrete, Review of the ballot change due to the by-law revisions

AWARDS COMMITTEE: (April Snyder)

Founders Award – Deadline is 1/31. No applications received to date.

Excellent Project Award – Deadline 2/28. None received to date.

EVENTS COMMITTEE: (Justin Rader)

Discuss date/location for the following:

- Presidents Dinner – To be held sometime in February
- Awards Banquet – April – Andy Warhol Museum, Heinz History Center, Heinz Field (TDB)
- Social Night – PNC Park – Date to be determined

STUDENT CHAPTER COMMITTEE: (Bryan/Giovannucci)

Dominic reported that WCCC and ITT Tech both offer concrete related programs and was wondering about the possibility of them becoming student chapters. He is going to look into the requirements for this.

The next Penn State Student Chapter meeting will be in early February. This will be included in the newsletter if we have the date before it is published.

A Grade I class will once again be held at PSU in April. As in the past, the class will be offered at no cost to any PSU student who is a current Chapter member. Josh inquired about non PSU students wanting to get certified and what their cost should be. ***He motioned that any student who joins our Chapter at the \$5.00 student membership rate, also be offered the certification at no cost. Andy seconded the motion. All present were in favor.***

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS COMMITTEE: (Justin Rader)

ACI Spring Convention – March 26-30 in Detroit, MI

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: (Andy Lawrence)

The board term is ending for April Snyder and Nick Wytiaz. Andy will begin the nominating process for candidates to fill their board seats, the VP and President, and the new nominating committee candidates.

Events for the 2016-2017 ACI Year:

PA Concrete Conference in Hershey – February 22-23, 2017

Pittsburgh Regional Science & Engineering Fair – March 31-April 1, 2017

Josh Bryan moved to adjourn. Bob Lawrence seconded.
Next Board Meeting: February 8th at 4:30 @ Domenicos