



## **Winter 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

January 19, 2019 at 9:00am

*Champion Equipment, Paramount CA*

### **I. Call to Order / Roll Call (Will Gehrke)**

Will Gehrke – present  
John Bickford – present  
Josh Hilton – absent  
Chuck Danache – absent  
Jim Close – present  
John Tuttle – present  
Jeff Veilleux – present

We have a quorum!

### **II. Invited Guests and Associates Recognition (Will Gehrke)**

- Past Presidents in attendance:
  - ✓ Ray Fassett, Condon Johnson
  - ✓ Mike Kennedy, Hayward Baker
- Special Thank You to Champion Equipment for hosting this Board Meeting!

### **III. Approval of Previous Minutes (Will Gehrke)**

- There were no additional comments/edits to the previous meeting minutes
- Meeting Minutes were approved

### **IV. Treasurer's Reports (Becky Patterson)**

- Becky presented the Chapter's financial summary through December 2018.
- The Chapter is financially healthy and made money in 2018.
- **If anyone is interested in a copy of the current financials, please contact Becky.**

### **V. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Associates (Jeff Veilleux)**

- Jeff's message to the Associate Members is "show up and donate your time, expertise and money to this Chapter".
- Jeff gave examples of the benefits his own company (PJ's Rebar) has seen from its involvement with the WCC.

#### **B. Fundraising (Scott Laurence/Joe Patterson)**

- Scott is currently looking for a golf course near Portland for our Annual Meeting in May
- Joe will be hosting the auction and reaching out to Contracting and Associate Members for auction donations

#### **C. Labor (Michael Walton)**

- ADSC Labor Relations Bulletin - Mike indicated that all future Labor Relations Bulletins will now be sent via email. Hard copies will no longer be mailed to signatory members.
- Labor Relations Bulletin #43-18 – Signatory Members are advised to review Labor Relations Bulletin #43-18 regarding 2019 Expirations of Local Master Agreement covered by ADSC West Coast Chapter Agreement. Labor Relation Bulletin provides procedures to follow to protect against industry strikes.
- ADSC/ Operating Engineers Local 302 Training Program – Operating Engineers Local 302 has agreed to continue the ADSC/Operating Engineers Training Program, Mike Walton will reach out to them to get the ball rolling.
- Mike is also continuing to talk with Local 12 regarding a training program.

- Pre-Job Conference/Keyman Agreement – Signatory members are reminded to notify Laborers and Operating Engineers regarding pre-job conferences, particularly when your firm plans to transfer key employees. Complete keyman Agreements with Unions

**D. AZDOT (Aaron Thomas)**

- Aaron has been meeting with AZDOT to review and provide recommendations on the Drilled Shaft Specification (609 of Standard Specifications).
- The major topics of discussion are the acceptance of drilled shafts and integrity testing, PVC test tube location (interior versus exterior) of the reinforcing cage and extending PVC integrity test tubes beyond the bottom of reinforcing.
- Currently it is being discussed how to reduce the length of the drilled shaft test reports. Over the years, information has been added by different AZDOT Engineers creating a report that is approximately twice the length of the original report. This has created longer review time and delays in shaft acceptance.

**E. CALTRANS (Ray Fassett / Pete Speier)**

Substructure Committee (Ray Fassett, Chairman):

- Continuing to review specifications. Updates coming out in April 2019.
- No changes in AASHTO 8 for CIDH Piling.
- University of Missouri Research for Caltrans on Base Grouting will determine the use of Base Grouting in the Future and Specifications going forward.
- Foundation Testing: Working on an update to the Pile Mitigation Plan with WCC. Had a separate meeting on 12/18/2018 to discuss changes and updates.
- Discussed Nationals Plan to Establish a Qualified Contractor Program. Caltrans was concerned that companies outside the ADSC would be excluded and this wouldn't be accepted.
- Discussed the use of slurry for soldier piles and whether NDT was required.

Earth Retention Systems (Pete Speier, Chairman):

- Continue to discuss updates to the specifications. Reference to Section 52 Reinforcement regarding couplers is being removed.
- Discussed bond-breaker between bond and un-bonded zone for testing purposes to ensure the bond zone was sufficient. Looking at performing verification anchors for bond zone strengths only. AVAR and Drill Tech are involved with Projects that are doing research.

**F. HDOT (Cedric Ota)**

- Nothing to report at this time.

**G. ITD (Mike Kimball)**

- The ACEC (American Council of Engineering Companies) Bridge Liaison Subcommittee met in early November 2018.
- Three geotechnical engineering firms (STRATA, TERRACON and GeoEngineers) and a drilling contractor (Inland Foundation Specialties) were in attendance.
- The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the viability of drilled shaft foundations for ITD projects. ITD Bridge and ITD Materials were able to share their experience, preferences and concerns.
- The discussion centered around the application of the drilled shafts, contractor capabilities for drilled shafts, testing, quality control, training risks and mitigation.
- ITD indicated they are not familiar with Thermal Integrity Profiling as an alternative to CSL Testing and interested to learn more about this testing technique.
- ITD expressed the importance of training for inspection and testing of drilled shafts. Their greatest concern was in the testing and inspection aspects of drilled shafts.

**H. AK DOT (John Bickford)**

- Nothing to report at this time.

**I. ODOT (John Bickford)**

- Nothing to report at this time.

**J. WSDOT (John Bickford)**

- Held Task Force Meeting November 1, 2018
- Provided Constructability Review Comments on five upcoming WSDOT projects
- Task Force agreed to hold Joint Training Workshop in Spring 2019. Date and location to be determined.
- Next Task Force meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2019.

**K. NDOT (Will Gehrke)**

- Nothing to report at this time.
- Will indicated that John Yusunas (Hayward Baker – Las Vegas) will be taking over this committee position.

**L. Education/Training (Will Gehrke)**

- Will indicated the Chapter has funds and is interested in supporting research projects associated with our industry.
- **Chapter members were encouraged to look for opportunities and notify the Board.**

**M. Membership (Will Gehrke)**

- Currently, we have 39 Contractor Members and 39 Associate Members.

**N. Safety (Anna Perkins)**

- The Safety Committee has been reduced to one member (Anna Perkins, Case Pacific). Both Ryan Gammons and Colin Perkins are no longer with their respective companies.
- **We need more volunteers for this committee! If you are interested, contact Anna or Becky.**

**O. Steering Committee/IAF (Steve Williams / Ray Fassett)**

- IAF & WCC partially funded University of Missouri Research for CALTRANS on Base Grouting of Drilled Shafts
- As noted above in 'Education/Training Committee Report', WCC is interested in funding research projects associated with our industry.

**VI. WCC Administrator Report (Becky Patterson)**

- WCC is purchasing a new Table-top to exhibit at seminars (Rick Walsh and Becky are putting it together before the GOSH conference in March 2019).
- Becky will have the 2018 taxes to the CPA by the end of January.
- Sponsorship Opportunities for the Annual meeting were presented, Becky thanked Hammer & Steel and PJ's Rebar for exercising their First Right of Refusal.
- Online registration is OPEN for the 2019 Annual Meeting

**VII. International ADSC Report (BD Smith)**

- *Refer to International ADSC Report at end of these meeting minutes.*

**VIII. Old Business**

**A. Education / Training (Will Gehrke)**

- Nothing to report at this time.

**B. Silica Safety Training (open)**

- Safety Committee members started collecting silica monitoring results for various construction activities from WCC Contracting Members with the intent on developing a database. This database would then be uploaded to WCC website and could be used as a resource for all WCC members.
- Unfortunately, two of three Safety Committee members are no longer with their respective companies and no longer involved with ADSC WCC.
- Anna Perkins, WCC's Safety Committee newly appointed "chairperson", agreed to take the lead on completing this task.
- **We need more volunteers for this project! If you are interested, contact Anna or Becky.**

**IX. New Business**

**A. Associate Presentation for May 2019 (Jeff Veilleux)**

- Bayshore

- Foundation Equipment Supplies (FES)/Ougan Group

**B. ADSC WCC General Terms and Conditions Committee**

- Committee will work to update the 2004 General Terms & Conditions for Subcontract agreements. Ashley Mahaffey volunteered to help Will Gehrke with this committee – **any other contractors willing to help, please contact Will.**

**C. GOSH Award for WCC (John Bickford)**

- In October 2018, at the suggestion of Colin Perkins and Rick Marshall, the WCC Board submitted the ADSC WCC for the 'Association Award' presented by Oregon's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) at their yearly award conference.
- Each year, the State of Oregon hosts the 'Governor's Occupational Safety & Health Conference' (GOSH). For 2019, the conference will be held in Portland, Oregon (March 4 thru 7). More information can be found at [www.oregongosh.com](http://www.oregongosh.com)
- In early January 2019, WCC was notified that we had won the Association Award! The award will be presented to the WCC at the convention luncheon on March 6, from 12:00 to 1:30 pm.
- WCC is scheduled to exhibit at this conference and Rick Marshall (ADSC International) is scheduled to speak (on March 4).
- Anna Perkins and Rick Marshall are scheduled to attend the luncheon and receive the award.
- Brian Back has offered to help setup and "man" the booth on Tuesday, March 5.

**D. Annual Meeting 2019 Education Session (Will Gehrke / John Bickford)**

- The following companies/individuals are confirmed and scheduled to present at our Annual Meeting;
  - ✓ Condon Johnson – Case History
  - ✓ DBM Contractors – Case History
  - ✓ Malcolm Drilling – Case History
  - ✓ Inland Foundation Specialties – Case History
  - ✓ Pacific Foundation – Case History
  - ✓ Rick Kalson, Benesch – Contract Law & Administration
  - ✓ Craig Hamelund, Oregon OSHA – Project Safety
  - ✓ Ray Fassett, Condon Johnson – Update to University of Missouri Research for CALTRANS regarding Base Grouting for Drilled Shafts

**E. "Six Figures, No Suits" ADSC program update (Will Gehrke)**

- A brief video, produced by ADSC International, was shown to the meeting attendees.
- Refer to 'International ADSC Report' at end of these meeting minutes for additional information.

**F. NCCCO ADSC Operator Certification update (Will Gehrke)**

- Refer to 'International ADSC Report' at end of these meeting minutes for additional information.

**G. 2019 Board of Director Nominations (Becky Patterson)**

- Two positions are open, three people have expressed interest.
  - ✓ George Burroughs, Condon Johnson
  - ✓ Tait McCutchan, Malcolm Drilling
  - ✓ Mike Rourke, Watson

**H. 2021 Annual Meeting dates and location due to IFCEE conflict (Will Gehrke)**

- IFCEE 2021 will be held in Texas in May.
- There are concerns this will conflict with Annual Meeting and Member participation.
- WCC Bylaws state Annual Meeting is to be held 2Q and within WCC Region. However, WCC BOD can vote to change these bylaws if deemed necessary/appropriate.
- Initial discussions included moving the Annual Meeting to Fall/Winter or hosting the meeting during IFCEE.
- No decisions were made at this time. **WCC members were encouraged to consider meeting alternatives and provide suggestions to Becky.**

**Mike Kimball, Inland Foundation Specialties, provided the Contractor Case Study – Who We Are and What We Do**

**Michael Rourke, Watson Inc., provided the Associate Presentation – Watson Drilling Solutions**

**Adjourn**

- *Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 pm*

## **ADSC International Report**

**Updated 01/11/2019**

### **RECENT ACTIVITY**

#### *November 2018*

- ADSC conducted a general membership meeting in Grapevine, where a Closed Board Session was conducted. The meeting focused on our mission and vision, and activities associated with those. Based on the outcome, the Board determined that these types of meetings will continue in the future.
- ADSC hosted the kickoff meeting for IFCEE 2021. The event will take place in May 2021 at the Hyatt in downtown Dallas.

#### *December 2018*

- Foundation Drill Rig Operator Certification was rolled out! Check out the Certification Program page at [www.adsc-iafd.com](http://www.adsc-iafd.com).

### **1. CHANGES AND UPDATES:**

- a. Membership continues to marginally increase annually
- b. Meeting attendance and engagement continue to increase substantially
- c. Financially we are very strong, with cash reserves being at an all-time high
- d. Strategic partnerships and alliances we want to continue to foster through collaborative efforts.
- e. New and revised educational opportunities, as well as other resources are being considered by an Education Task Force.
- f. Foundation Drilling Magazine subscriptions dramatically increased in 2018.
- g. A History Book of the ADSC is now available in our Library. (Including a hardback edition)
- h. A big surge in social media presence has been experienced.

### **2. HOT TOPICS:**

- a. Drill Rig Operator Certification- beta testing is being scheduled all across the US with the assistance of our chapters. Reference/Resource materials are available on the ADSC website, [www.adsc-iafd.com](http://www.adsc-iafd.com), "Safety and Training" tab, "Certification Program".
- b. "The Center for Drilled Shaft Engineering" – can be found at [www.adsc-iafd.com](http://www.adsc-iafd.com). This is an on-line learning center that addresses elements in the design and construction of our product line. Its purpose is to provide education to individuals, companies, and academia.
- c. OSHA Silica Dust Update – many of our chapters are addressing this topic as it relates to our contractor members. There is an initiative underway that includes data collection with one of the purposes being to consider a standard for industry.
- d. "Six Figures, No Suits" – this is our workforce development theme, with an emphasis to encourage high school and trade school graduates to enter the workforce of the foundation construction industry. This is being driven at the chapter level, and where an outreach program is already formulated and continuing to be cultivated.
- e. ADSC attended the ANSI A10 Committee Meeting and proposed that a new ANSI Anchor and Micropile Installation Safety Standard. The proposal was accepted! At the Annual Meeting a task force will be formed to work with Rick Marshall on Writing the new standard, of which is already underway.
- f. The ANSI A10.23 – 2014 Safety In Drilled Shaft Installation has already been updated and submitted for review, and it is anticipated it will be accepted and published in February.

- g. In a continued effort on our “Working Platform Position Statement” ADSC will be making a presentation to the AGC at their meeting in Miami next week.

The signing of the NE Chapter and the OSHA Boston Area Office alliance is February 20th.

- i. ADSC’s Super T (superintendent training school) will take place next week in Southlake. This program is sold out!
- j. ADSC will be presenting at the Oregon Governor’s Occupational Safety & Health Conference (GOSH) in March. The West Coast Chapter will have an exhibit booth.
- k. Owner’s Roundtable is a new agenda item at our meetings. Owners are given an opportunity to brainstorm and discuss current issues at hand, as well as provide possible solutions. It’s been very well received.
- l. Bill Maher will be inducted into the ADSC Hall of Fame at the Annual Meeting.
- m. Seventeen (17) scholarships have been awarded. Recipients will be attending the Annual meeting to receive their scholarships.
- n. President’s Awards, Service Awards, Associate of the Year, and Contractor of the Year Awards will be presented at the Annual Meeting.
- o. Angie Elemendorf has been added to the ADSC staff as Director of Media Relations. She is behind the effort of our recent Social Media Campaign. Her primary responsibility will be to serve as Editor of Foundation Drilling Magazine.
- p. Chapter Affiliation Agreement – Please return asap
- q. Chapter Tax Filings – 990 N – due May 15, 2019

#### **Upcoming Events and Programs:**

Super T School (60 attendees/sold out)

January 15 -18, 2019

Hilton Southlake, TX

ADSC Annual Meeting 2019

February 4 – 8, 2019

Nassau, Bahamas

Additional details to be found @ [www.adsc-iafd.com](http://www.adsc-iafd.com)