



2019 Fall Board Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2019

Electronic Meeting, 2pm

- **Call to Order / Roll Call (George Burrough) (Josh Hilton)**

Chuck Danache
Josh Hilton
Jeff Veilleux
Tait McCutchen
George Burrough
John Tuttle

- **Invited Guests and Associates Recognition (Chuck Danache)**

- Past Presidents
 - Ray Fassett
 - Will Gehrke
 - Rick Walsh

- **Approval of Previous Minutes (Josh Hilton/George Burrough)**

- Motion to approve Josh Hilton, second by Chuck Danache

- **Treasurer's Reports (Josh Hilton/Becky Patterson)**

- \$15,000 in checking as of end of August
- 240k in money market
- 90k in West coast chapter IAF
- If anyone is interested in a copy of financials, please let Becky know

- **Committee Reports**

- Associates (Jeff Veilleux)
 - Jeff reminded everyone to encourage new memberships
- Fundraising (Becky Patterson for Scott Laurence/Joe Patterson)
 - 29k profit from Annual Meeting
 - Sent \$4,725 to WCC IAF
- Labor (Matt Moynihan)
 - ADSC labor bulletins being sent to members via email, no more hard copies, can contact office for hard copies
 - Upcoming Local 302 training schedule for 10/25-10/27 in WA
 - Uptick in local 12 grievances, please make sure you are abiding by rules
 - Always remember to do key-man agreements and pre-job conferences
- AZDOT (Aaron Thomas)
 - Met with AZ DOT updating their spec regarding integrity testing. Waiting for approval from FHWA but is in process. Gone back to more contractor friendly specs, not as rigorous in acceptance criteria. Tubes on the outside were more problematic for contractors.
 - Some turnover in local DOT has presented issues
- CALTRANS (Ray Fassett / Pete Speier)
 - Have not had a meeting, looking towards end of year.

- Did get pile anomaly percentages for 2018, was sent out to committee members, not many drilled shafts last year
- Tip grouting research still being processed by Eric, Ray will report once received
- Some new spec changes coming, re-read amendments, special provisions in contract documents
- Response due on mitigation plan, Ray will reach out

- HDOT (Cedric Ota)
 - Not present

- ITD (Mike Kimball)
 - Not present

- AK DOT (Tait McCutchan)
 - John Bickford recently reached out to state Geotech, not interested in a task force, Tait will reach out again

- ODOT (Tait McCutchan)
 - At meeting, ODOT stated they may be interested in reinstating task force.
 - Will follow up with Susan Ortiz for an update

- WSDOT (Tait McCutchan)
 - Task force going well, meeting every 6 weeks
 - Meeting in September was well attended on both sides
 - They had a few issues, spec changes they asked for input on. Asked for input on jobs being designed as concrete filled steel tubes as opposed to drilled shafts
 - Offered to provide case study presentation at next meeting
 - Started coordinating training workshop in Spring 2020

- NDOT (John Yusunas)
 - Not present

- Education/Training (Rick Walsh)
 - Discussed hosting seminars as a chapter, can't seem to get one rolling
 - A lot that goes on between DFI and local groups, tough to find something that's not being covered

- Membership (Chuck Danache)
 - 38 contractors and 41 associate members
 - 3 new members – Benesch Law, Fugro Load Test, Foundation Technologies
 - Lost Curtis Drilling and Aldridge

- Safety (Will Gehrke for Anna Perkins)
 - Working on getting Oregon OSHA Craig Hamelund and Rick Marshall to present on silica training, trying to coordinate dates & times

- Steering Committee/IAF (Will Gehrke / Ray Fassett)
 - Board voted to approve the WCC IAF yearly \$3,700 ADSC Vern Case Scholarship contribution
 - UNR funding inquiry submitted by Peter Faust –
 - wants to do additional study on rebar cages. Wants to innovate how cages are connected, rigging points, etc. Received \$75k and looking for additional funding. They've been asking to fill out questionnaire, but we have never received responses as to where is the money being spent. Will most likely be discussed at DFI. Should be able to recap on this at a later time.

- WCC Administrator Report (Becky Patterson)

- Western Bridge Engineers exhibit in September, thanks to Mike Kimball and Inland Foundations for working booth, there will be an article in Foundation Drilling.
 - Vacancy on the board for a director as Michael Rourke is no longer with Watson, will hold election at Winter meeting
 - Currently projecting a loss, this is normal, Becky budgets conservatively and we almost always come out ahead of budget
 - Next meeting in Vacaville at Sinclair in January, Annual meeting in Pismo. Annual meeting for 2021 will be in February in San Diego
 - Motion to approve 2020 budget by Josh Hilton, John Tuttle second
- **International ADSC Report (report on screen and available as handout) Chuck Danache**
 - Still working on Six figures, No Suits program
 - Annual meeting in January in Tucson
 - Can download copy of handout for all updates and upcoming info
 - Ray discussed working platforms, joint task force DFI if anyone has an interest, there is a meeting on Wednesday
 - Will Gehrke is running for ADSC Board of Directors, the election will be held in Tucson in late January; Becky will get proxy ballots to distribute to WCC members during our winter meeting prior to the Tucson meeting.
- **Old Business**
 - A. **WCC General Contract Terms (Will Gehrke / Ashley Mahaffey)**
 - Might be worth updating with new laws and information
 - Will to send to Becky for distribution
 - B. **NCCCCO ADSC Operator Certification taskforce update (Chuck Danache)**
 - Task force conference call with board September 4
 - 24 people to take practical exam before written tests expire in May 2020
 - Bob Federighi sponsored/reimbursed to become examiner in Utah. Agreement was drafted between WCC and Bob. He passed 3 written exams, practical had to go back to NCCCCO, no feedback received
 - Feedback from Local 3 was that all passed written exam which was difficult
 - Most didn't pass micro pile exam because a Soilmec SM22 rig was used, which many weren't familiar with and students ran out of time to complete
 - Josh had micro pile frame built for training, is at CJA yard in Rialto
 - Need to find locations for testing, Ray reached out to Bauer, will discuss with different manufacturers at DFI
 - Ray considering hosting at CJA yard in Livermore, need to find someone with micro pile approval
 - Local 3 will need help from chapter with setup. They will start vertical rig testing before May. Will be helping with setup. Need testing locations for WA and Southern California.
 - Tait to look for hosts for Washington
 - Courses will be held over weekends
 - Chuck will schedule a conference call with the task force soon to continue working on this program
 - C. **Washington L&I proposed changes update (Tait McCutchan)**
 - Attended WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries meeting on June 4 regarding ADSC proposed changes reinforcing steel and post tensioning activities. Rick Marshall previously submitted changes, asked to have representative. Not much opportunity for discussion. Once sufficient info is received, L&I will move forward to public hearing process which we will be able to give input. Will to follow up with Rick.
 - **New Business**
 - A. **2020 Annual Meeting Education Session Chuck Danache)**
 - NCCCCO presentation possibility
 - Please reach out to Josh, Tait, or Chuck regarding topics for discussion at meeting
 - Josh, encouraged all members to choose a project concept or idea that can be narrowed down and discussed at Winter meeting and how best to present at the Education Session during the Annual Meeting

B. Update of WCC PowerPoint presentation (George Burrough)

- George updated presentation with photos and sent to Becky

C. Associate Presentation for Winter Meeting (Jeff Veilleux)

- Looking for a 15-minute associate presentation, preferably someone who hasn't presented
- Becky will send notification for volunteers; name will be chosen at random