

Winter 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2016

Sinclair Products, Cerritos CA 9:00am

I. Call to Order / Roll Call (Steve Williams)

- The president gave Roll Call for WCC Officers. Board members present were; Steve Williams, Will Gehrke, Jim Close, Jason Malcolm, and Bill Mobley. A quorum was established. Jeff Veilleux and John Bickford were unable to attend.

Past Presidents in attendance:

- Rick Walsh, Mike Kennedy, and Ray Fassett

II. Invited Guests and Associates Recognition (John Bickford)

- Steve Williams recognized the past presidents in attendance, welcomed several new members, and thanked all members in attendance.

III. Approval of Previous Minutes (John Bickford)

- Steve Williams reminded everyone that a copy of the previous minutes was sent to them and asked for any corrections. No corrections were discussed. Jim Close made the motion to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved without amendment.

IV. Treasurer's Reports (Jim Close/Becky Patterson)

- Jim and Becky discussed current financial position. Our group is in a strong financial position. Information regarding specific income and expenses are available upon request.

V. Committee Reports

A. Labor (Michael Walton)

- *2016 will be a busy year with Local 3, 12, & the Laborers in San Diego collective bargaining agreements*
- *Employers' Advocate is trying to coordinate a meeting with signatory members and Local 12 Operating Engineers in Southern California, stressed that it is important for as many members to attend as possible – **look for updates.** Ron Swowski has taken over for Bill Waggoner.*
- *WCC Board of Directors renewed the Labor Relations Services Agreement with Employers' Advocate and approved their operating budget for 2016.*
- *Everyone was reminded to schedule pre-job meetings and key-man agreements with the Unions.*

B. Associates (Jeff Veilleux)

- *Jim Close coordinated an Associate's committee meeting in Jeff Veilleux's absence. CZM, USA signed up for one of the two Associate Presentations at the May meeting, **please contact Jeff Veilleux if you'd like the other Associate Presentation time slot.***

C. Fundraising (Jeff Ohlson/Joe Patterson)

- *Jeff Ohlson has announced this will be his last year organizing the golf tournament – thanks, Jeff, for all of your help over the years! Scott Laurance will be helping Jeff this year, and then will take over the golf tournament for 2017.*
- *Jim Close will be helping Joe Patterson solicit auction items. **Please contact Joe, or Jim, with any items for auction at the May meeting.***
- *Becky circulated sponsorship opportunities and encouraged everyone to reserve tabletops displays.*

D. Education (Rick Walsh)

- *Rick Walsh and Tony Kraut are working on a student outreach presentation in the LA/Orange County area. Hoping to be scheduled Winter/Spring 2016. They hope to incorporate job site visits along with classroom education. **Please contact Rick Walsh, or Tony Kraut, if you are able to help.***
- *Will Gehrke has spoken with a Caltrans engineer (Ryan Turner) teaching at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Will hopes to give a presentation on the ADSC to the class and has invited the students to attend our May education session.*
- *Rick Walsh has presented ADSC information to Long Beach State and San Diego State.*

- *Bay Shore Systems has been asked to include the WCC Power Point as part of their upcoming Construction Career Day event.*
- E. Training (Tony Kraut)
 - *Tony mentioned a job fair in Phoenix, stressed that the WCC needs to search for events to self-promote ourselves. There's a meeting in Arizona of the Geo-Tech Structural Congress suggested that there are events out there to help promote the WCC.*
 - *There's an education short course before the Scottsdale International meeting, suggested to contact Peggy Duffy and see if we can help.*
 - *Tony Kraut resigned his position as Training chairperson due to changing work requirements. WCC thanks Tony for all of your efforts! Steve Wilson, Champion Equipment, volunteered to take over as Training chairperson.*
 - *ADSC new member Mahaffey Companies' Ashley Mahaffey is teaching at UCLA "Construction Law"*
- F. CALTRANS (Ray Fassett/Rob Jameson)
 - *Substructure group will be meeting before our Annual meeting in May*
 - *FHWA invited Caltrans to meet re: base grouting for drilled shafts at DFI last October. Caltrans has interest but not excited. FHWA explained specs and etc. to Caltrans, might lead to CT specs for base grout.*
 - *Need to update mitigation plan, not been updated since 2009. Hierarchy has changed, more flexible now, Ray pushing it forward will be focusing on this in 2016*
 - *Mark DeSalvatori is the head in charge of Design and implementation for geotechnical design policies and practices at Caltrans, is friendly to WCC,*
- G. WSDOT (Al Rasband)
 - *WSDOT has performed their second thermal integrity shaft profiling project. Seeing positive results with some issues at the lower sections of shafts on deep (< 100') shafts. However, still want to pursue this QA methodology only as a supplement to CSL testing.*
 - *WSDOT & ADSC WCC currently planning our annual joint training session tentatively scheduled for March 31, 2016.*
- H. ADOT (open)
- I. NDOT (Will Gehrke)
 - *NDOT willing to meet with the ADSC WCC again*
 - *I will reach out to Hayward Baker (John) to see if they have any topics or concerns*
 - *NDOT is getting busier but still pretty slow*
- J. ODOT (Al Rasband)
 - *No activity to report at this time*
- K. ITD (Al Rasband)
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- L. HDOT (Al Rasband)
 - *Al Rasband, Rick Walsh and Ray Fassett have been asked to work with Hawaiian members to see if the chapter can put something together while we are over there in 2016 – a workshop, a seminar, something? This is still in the works. May be hard to get accomplished with during the busy National schedule*
- M. Safety (Colin Perkins)
 - *Drill Rig Operator Certification is still in the works.*
 - *OSHA new electronic reporting*
 - *Region 10 has renewed, working with Region 9 for renewal.*
 - *Fed OSHA specification on confined space entry will not affect the ADSC members*
- N. Membership (Jason Malcolm)
 - *40 Associates, 35 Contractors*
 - *One new Contractor member as of this meeting – Pacific Foundation from Vancouver, WA.*
 - *There are two contractor applications making their way through International ADSC – Farrell Design Build, and Mahaffey Drilling.*

VI. Contractor Presentation

- *Becho, Inc. California High Speed Rail– Eduardo Vazquez and Patrick Anderson*
- *This was our first WCC Contractor case study; it was so well received that we've invited Becho to our May Education Session for more details!*

VII. WCC Administrator Report (Becky Patterson)

- *Previously requested company logos for members to include on website and with exhibit booth. Have not yet received logos from all members. **Members who have not sent in their logos are encouraged to do so or their logos can be included in ADSC WCC events.***
- *The accountant has reminded us that the IAF needs donations. Becky encouraged everyone to remember that all donations to the WCC IAF are fully tax deductible. There was also discussion about sharing a portion of the May meeting auction with the IAF, no decisions or motions were made.*
- *There are Polo Shirts available to purchase, \$45 each*
- *Encouraged companies who aren't currently advertising on ADSC WCC website to do so. The revenue from advertisements goes directly into promoting and supporting upcoming ADSC WCC events.*
- *Circulated May meeting registration forms, let everyone know that online registration would be available very soon.*

VIII. International ADSC Report (Mike Moore)

- *Jim Close gave the report for Mike.*
- *Encouraged everyone to vote for International Board of Directors and proposed Bylaw changes. Becky will send them out to WCC Contractor members as soon as she gets the ballots.*
- *The Faculty Workshop progress well, the small diameter safety video is in production, everyone is encouraged to attend Scottsdale.*
- *Hot Topics: Operator certification, Center for Drilled Shaft Engineering, Post Grouting of Drilled Shafts, and the new look of Foundation Drilling magazine.*

IX. Safety Education Moment (Colin Perkins)

- *Colin reported that Honey-Do's are the cause of most household injuries! Colin graphically showed us how one moment of inattention can have ugly consequences – stay alert, stay safe.*

X. Associate Presentation

- *MATRIX Construction Products– John Berry*

XI. Old Business

- *Steve Williams indicated that one of his priorities for the upcoming year is to further enhance the ADSC WCC Business Plan. In the upcoming weeks and months, Steve will be reaching out to Board Members and the Membership for ideas, suggestions and modifications to the existing Business Plan.*
- *The WCC IAF is currently funding two research projects. The UC Irvine Find-A-Pile project is progressing well with half of the funds already being dispersed.*
- *The OSU behavior of drilled shafts project is back underway with help from Williams Form Engineering and new WCC member, Pacific Foundation.*
- *The 2016 budget was reviewed and approved.*
- *Will Gehrke and Ray Fassett will be organizing the May education session. **Please contact Will, or Ray, if you'd like to contribute to this important session!***

XII. New Business

- *We have three candidates for two available Board of Director positions. Will Gehrke with Case Pacific, Steve Wilson with Champion Equipment, and Jim Close with CZM, USA.*
- *We discussed who should have access to the chapter email list. It was decided that Becky will not share the list but will forward RFQ's and other information as deemed necessary by the President/BOD.*
- *Becky discussed recent upgrades to the chapter website. Discussed a page for surplus supplies or equipment, decided it would be too much hassle to keep up to date. Also discussed who is allowed to advertise on the WCC website; it was decided that only members will be allowed to advertise. And, speaking of the website, upon request, sponsors for the May meeting will be listed prominently on the event page.*

XIII. Next Meeting

- *Next board meeting is May 19-21, 2016 at The Cliffs Resort 2757 Shell Beach Road Pismo Beach, CA 93449*

Adjourn

- *Steve Williams made the motion to adjourn meeting at 2:00 PM. The motion was approved without amendment.*