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NORTH CAROLINA SECTION



ASCE Section Board Meeting

June 29, 2018

11:00 am

AGENDA

Call-in Number 240-238-2287 Bridge 52305

Attendance:

Minutes from April 20, 2018, and February 23, 2018, Board Meeting – review and approve (see Appendix 2)

Treasurer's Report – Stephanie Pluta

Branch Reports

- Western –
- Southern –
- Northern –
- Eastern –
- Coastal –

Governor's Report – R.D. O'Dell

Old Business

- Section Support for Student Chapters to Nationals. *(See President's Report, Appendix I)*
 - UNCC Concrete Canoe/Steel Bridge, NCSU Steel Bridge
- NCASCE endorsement of NCSU College of Engineering waiver petition of UNC Policy 400.1.5(I) has been sent. *(See President's Report, Appendix I)*

New Business

- Fall Annual Meeting (Kyle)
 - Scheduled for Raleigh Thursday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Sept. 21, in Raleigh.
- Letter from Bob Cagle re: NC Go! *(See Appendix I)*
- Officer elections – we need candidates to fill the slate for 2018-2019

Adjourn – Next meeting August. **David to send meeting date to Board members.**



APPENDIX 1



President's Report – June 29, 2018

- a- I would like to get some funds to the student groups who participated in the Concrete Canoe and Steel Bridge competitions at nationals.

Please refer to the 2017-2018 Budget (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17qApcjLSL20W-7F060-o8z8OTk34fEKm/view>)

Looking at the budget, we have allocated \$5,500 for **Travel by Officers** (Line 36) but have spent only \$765. For Friday's section meeting *I am considering moving \$1,500 over to the **Student Chapter Activities & Initiatives** (Line 56) account to help with transportation costs for the UNCC Concrete Canoe (\$500) and Steel Bridge (\$500) teams as well as the NCSU Steel Bridge (\$500) team.*

Since the budget has yet to be approved, moving the funds to a different account should not require a vote, but approval for disbursement of funds will require a motion.

- b- The **attached letter** was approved by motion at our last section meeting pending comments via email. With no further comments I will forward the letter to Dr. Lavelle for submittal.

Let me know if you have any comments.

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May 4, 2018

Dr. Jerome P. Lavelle
Associate Dean, Academic Affairs
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NC State University
Raleigh, NC 27695

Reference: Waiver to UNC Policy 400.1.5 (I)

Dear Dr. Lavelle:

The North Carolina Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) emphatically endorses NC State University's College of Engineering waiver petition of UNC Policy 400.1.5(I). ASCE's strong support for civil engineering education is based upon its Policy Statement 465. The entire PS 465 is enclosed for a full description of our position. PS 465 states in part, "... changes have created a need for civil engineers to have a greater breadth of capability and specialized technical competence, placing increased expectations on civil engineers in their role of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the public."

Several other states have already allowed their engineering schools to require (in most cases just 8 additional hours) more than a mandated maximum of 120 hours. Unfortunately, there is not enough time within the current curriculum to offer the technical depth and breadth of classes necessary to train our future engineers. Many civil engineering programs have already been forced to cut fundamental classes – surveying for example – from their degree requirements.

To competently train the next generation of civil engineers for professional practice and to maintain our competitive edge around the world, the College of Engineering's waiver request of UNC Policy 400.1.5(I) must be approved.

If any questions should arise, please feel free to contact me by phone at (727) 421-1730 or by e-mail at engharris@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

David Harris, PE
President, North Carolina Section, ASCE



Report to the ASCE NC Section From NC Go!

29 June 2018

As the ASCE representative and Treasurer of NC Go!, a transportation advocacy organization I want to provide an update on activities. You can find more on NC Go! at www.NCGo.org and I would encourage all ASCE member to sign up as an advocate.

NC Go! is in discussion with Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) about the concept of an annual awards program to recognize exceptional multi-modal projects around the state. A big goal is to change awareness and perception about the role and importance of multi-modal projects in all parts of our state. A few takeaways from the initial meeting are:

- NCDOT would be the convening force behind the annual event, and would oversee the application criteria, process and evaluation. They would also look to find some sponsorship dollars.
- NC Go and WTS would partner on event planning, promotion, additional sponsors, logistics etc.
- The plan is to have a luncheon in Feb. 2019, to align with the early part of the long session.
- Costs and revenue would be split between NC Go and WTS, but the plan is to keep costs low, price registration at a level that comes close to covering costs - and provide discounted registration to state/local public employees.
- Although all our members would be encouraged to attend, a big focus would be on the consultant side as well as MPOs/RPOs. Attendees would also include the local top and honorable mention winners from four categories - Rural, Urban, Suburban and Tourism.
- There is a lot of overlap between our members, especially the consultant sector, and the WTS members. But it is hoped that we can turn out a couple of dozen NC Go loyalists.
- We have another meeting scheduled for early July, and will meet with WTS to discuss our partnership and the sharing of roles, costs and potential revenue. We would formalize that in some sort of Memorandum of Agreement - which I assume would need NC Go board approval.

Another action on the horizon is the NC Go annual meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 18; 3:30 - 5pm Board Meeting; 5:30 - 7:30 reception and dinner. It will be held at the NC State Alumni Center. We are reaching out to several different speakers for a possible debate between philosophies on transportation funding as well as discussion on various funding mechanisms like the vehicle mileage tax. In the past we have had Nelson Dollar, the House of Representatives member who is most knowledgeable on budgets, Jim Trogdon the NC Secretary of Transportation and other legislative powers.

Again, please encourage ASCE members to become aware of NC Go! and to make a difference.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Cagle III, P.E., F.ASCE



APPENDIX 2

Minutes from Feb. and April meetings

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NORTH CAROLINA SECTION



**ASCE Section Board Meeting
February 23, 2018
9:00 am
MINUTES – Happy E-Week!**

Due to unmet attendance protocols, a quorum was not reached

Review and Adopt Minutes from December 14, 2017, Board Meeting (see Appendix 2) – no vote (no quorum)

Treasurer's Report – Stephanie Pluta (See Appendix 3 – Treasurer's Report)

Branch Reports

- Western – John Garner: met last night social; officers put together – Eric Newhouse as President-elect for the branch; secretary treasurer will be Chris Sotohall. Put together some good ideas for PDH presentations.
- Southern – Jeanette: Spring Tech date been selected? David to contact Kyle and get information
 - SB has not received YMG funding yet
 - Tom said that Section has supported YMGs in the past but needs to see what we can afford this year in the budget.
 - Have funds been passed down to branches from sections? This is a question for Stephanie.
 - David requested a budget request from YMG
- Northern – Steve Lacey: NB has been quiet; joint meeting with PENC last month to discuss loop in Dilford County; Patty Easton with NCDOT.
 - Groups struggling to get members.
 - NB has close to 300 members and average about 20-25
 - Half are regular attendees and are fairly active. Topic is the driver of attendance, but also try to mix it up for variety of subjects.
 - Prepared to help with Spring Tech
- Eastern – recently volunteered at Avery Elementary for e-week
 - Trying to promote the branch through social media.
 - Working with NC State for Carolinas Conference
 - Society pays for a certain number of delegates from each Section as they apply early and get accepted. In order to support attendees through the Section, we need requests to come in on a more timely basis than in the past for budgeting purposes.



- Coastal – Kate Eams, branch rep: fostering our mentoring program at UNCW. Scholarship awards through the program. Handed out one large scholarship.
 - Trying to update website to be similar to Raleigh branch, as they like the interface with the membership (PayPal, monthly meetings and upcoming events). Jeanette mentioned that National has a good template.
 - Luke mentioned that the branches have full access to the state website; he has been trying to get a hold of Rob Kral and Luis Campos to coordinate with them re: website.
 - Scheduling Dream Big IMAX film to be shown locally, renting space in the theater.

Governor’s Report – R.D. O’Dell

Old Business

- Update on Scholarships Committee – John Garner (**See Appendix 1 – p. 4**)
 - We will convene with Stephanie on separate call.
 - John will set up the call and work with Tom.

- Review and approve proposed budget and new format with updated scholarship info (**See Appendix 1 – p. 5**).
 - Tom wants to make accommodations for things that come up and some rules of thumb.

- The annual report from 2016-2017 was submitted
- Financial info.: All branches have submitted their info to Stephanie for taxes
- Land Records Advisory Committee announcement – An announcement was posted on our Section website to field potential candidates in addition to Alex Rankin, who is currently serving as an ASCE representative. We received no responses from our solicitation for committee members, so we will nominate Alex (alexrankin@cesicgs.com) for a new term.

- Spring Technical (Kyle) – David contacted Technical Chair Committee members and copied Kyle.
 - Date selected? May 4
 - Location selected? NC A&T
- Fall Annual Meeting (Kyle) – David sent email to Kyle on Feb. 23 (after meeting) requesting a brief report on progress. Kyle will address once the spring technical is complete.

- Update on Report Card – David Harris
 - All reports need to be submitted
 - Executive Summary draft is in process.
 - Looking to schedule meet-and-greet with legislators (drive-in)
 - SPAG update due

New Business

- ICRI Joint Golf Tournament (See email in **Appendix 1 – p. 6**)



- Does the tournament conflict with any SB activities?
Dates? We can put the money toward scholarship funds, etc.
- ASCE Section needs to get the message out to our membership.
- Tom can be point of contact on this, if needed.
- David reached out to them.
- Daniel Bridges is stepping away from Transportation Chair duties; if section approves, David Harris can step in as a resource until a replacement is found. (See email in **Appendix 1 – p. 7**)
- Dream Big in Public School classrooms (See email in **Appendix 1 – p. 8**) ... (Would it cost less to stream?)
 - Example of budget items to accommodate: (Steve from ... 120 *middle* schools in Northern Branch area; NB was considering making the contribution of \$300, which would be matched by National.)
- SBYMG funds request – should come from SB, correct? (See email in **Appendix 1 – p. 9**)
- Volunteer form for Carolinas Conference in April (See email in **Appendix 1 – p. 11**)
 - **Host:** Duke University
 - **Dates:** April 5-7, 2018
 - **Student Contact:** [Karyn Saunders](#)
 - **Faculty Contact:** [Joe Nadeau](#)

David – Emailed Evan to ask if he wants the survey to go out through Rick. Awaiting response.

Adjourn – Next meeting April. David to send meeting date to Board members.



APPENDIX 1



(Old Business – Scholarship)

John Garner <john@garner-eng.com>

To [david harris](#)

CC [Stephanie Pluta](#), [Stephanie Pluta](#)

Jan 8 at 12:35 PM

David,

I have reviewed the Budget you sent. Regarding the Scholarship, we awarded \$14,000 last year. I do not recall the contribution amounts from the Branches or the re-invested dividend from the fund for last year. It would be great to see a current statement for the fund to help make this decision. I would be glad to request this from Wells Fargo if I can get their contact information, or perhaps it can simply be looked up online(???)

I have revised the proposed guidelines for the Scholarship Committee and Scholarship Funding Plan. (attached) Ideally, the only amount that should pass through the Section Budget would be the donations from the Branches or Individuals and the subsequent investment of those amounts by the Section into the Endowment Fund. The actual Scholarship Awards would be made directly from the Scholarship Endowment Fund, outside of our Section Budget. (Stephanie, clarify this, as needed.) So, an amount to anticipate from the Branches and individual donations..... \$5,000??? I think this is actually an ambitious number, but we can ask, right?

John

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(Old Business – Budget Review for Approval)

ASCE NORTH CAROLINA SECTION
FY 2017-2018 Budget and Treasurer's Report

Oct 2017 Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018



INCOME						
Account No.	Description			17-18 Items	17-18 Budget	Balance
21	Branch Dues @ \$15.00 each				\$ 24,700.00	\$ (24,700.00)
23	Allotment (from National)				\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
34	Spring Technical (pass-through)				\$ 7,000.00	\$ (7,000.00)
36	Fall Annual Meeting (pass-through)				\$ 20,000.00	\$ (20,000.00)
38	Golf Tournament				\$ 10,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)
39	Advocacy Initiatives				\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
39A	E-Week					\$ -
39B	Infrastructure Report Card (SPAG)			\$ 500.00		\$ -
39C	Future Cities Competition					\$ -
39D	Legislative Reception					\$ -
39E	NC GO					\$ -
40	Scholarship Fund				\$ 7,000.00	\$ (7,000.00)
40A	Contributions from Branches			\$ 5,000.00		\$ -
40B	Interest income (reinvestment)			\$ 2,000.00		\$ -
45	Student Chapter Activities & Initiatives				\$ -	
45A	Carolinas Conference					
45B	Student Travel					
54	Website sponsorships				\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
59	(Open)				\$ -	\$ -
65	(Open)				\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL INCOME					\$ 81,700.00	\$ (81,700.00)

EXPENSES						
Account No.	Description				17-18 Budget	Balance
21	Branch Dues (paid to Society)					
23	Branch Allotment				\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
34	Spring Technical (pass-through)				\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
36	Fall Annual Meeting (pass-through)				\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
37	Travel by Officers				\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
37A	National ASCE Conference			\$ 0.00		
37B	MRLC - Buffalo Feb 2018			\$ 2,000.00		
37C	Region 4 Travel			\$ 500.00		
37D	Government Advocacy Training			\$ 500.00		
37E	Legislative Fly-In			\$ 1,000.00		
38	Golf Tournament				\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
39	Advocacy Initiatives				\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00
39A	E-Week			\$ 500.00		
39B	Infrastructure Report Card			\$ 1,500.00		
39C	Future Cities Competition			\$ 1,000.00		
39D	Legislative Reception			\$ 5,000.00		
39E	NC GO			\$ 500.00		
40	Scholarship Fund				\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
	Distributions					\$ -
	Scholarship of Distinction	(0.5 * Scholarship Fund Allocation)		\$ 8,000.00		
	Scholarship of Merit (a)	(Schol. Fund-Schol. Of Distincty)/3		\$ 2,666.67		
	Scholarship of Merit (b)	(Schol. Fund-Schol. Of Distincty)/3		\$ 2,666.67		
	Scholarship of Merit (c)	(Schol. Fund-Schol. Of Distincty)/3		\$ 2,666.67		
45	Student Chapter Activities & Initiatives				\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
45A	Carolinas Conference			\$ 2,000.00		
45B	Student Travel			\$ 1,500.00		
49	Awards of Recognition				\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
51	Stationery & Office Supplies				\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
52	Postage				\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
54	Webmaster Fees				\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
56	Banking Fees/Charges				\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES					\$ 81,700.00	\$ 81,700.00

(New Business – ICRI Joint Golf Tournament)



From: John Ammons [mailto:john@mountaingrout.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 2:36 PM

To: Thomas Fitzgerald <tfitzgerald@schnabel-eng.com>; 'Brad Aderhold - ICRI' <brad@icricarolinas.org>

Subject: RE: ICRI Joint Golf Tournament

Tom:

We had a board meeting this afternoon and narrowed some potential joint golf dates down. Since we're having our Mega Demo meeting in May, we'd like to shoot for April for golf. We thought we'd throw out two dates see what you thought. Would either April 12 or April 19 (both Thursdays) work on your end? If so, please let us know and we can start looking at courses around Charlotte and promoting the event.

Thanks,

John

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(New Business – Daniel Bridges)

[Bridges, Daniel <Daniel.Bridges@wsp.com>](mailto:Daniel.Bridges@wsp.com)

To



[david harris](#)

Jan 5 at 1:58 PM

David,

Due to an overwhelming project workload for the next 8 months I am having to take a step back from a few things I would normally participate in. I will not have the time to solicit transportation topics for spring tech or fall conference and will likely not be able to make it to Spring Tech. Please ask someone else on the leadership team to fill this duty.

Thanks

Daniel H. Bridges, PE, DBIA

Vice President

Senior Project Manager

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(New Business – Dream Big in Public School classrooms)

[Finton, Jeannine <JFinton@asce.org>](mailto:JFinton@asce.org)

To [Finton, Jeannine Howell, Jane Sanders, Jill](#)



Feb 6 at 5:38 PM

Help put the *Dream Big* DVD into every public school in the USA!

Make a pledge to support your local middle schools. Pledges are due April 15, 2018

ASCE has set a goal put a copy of the acclaimed documentary *Dream Big: Engineering Our World* in every public school in America beginning fall 2018.

A generous grant from the United Engineering Foundation will enable us to put a DVD in every high school.

We are asking Sections and Branches to help us reach all middle schools by participating in a 1:1 matching program. For example, if your Section or Branch contributes 20 DVDs, ASCE will provide 20 additional DVDs for the same school district(s).

During Engineers Week 2018, ASCE will launch a campaign to encourage ASCE members and others to adopt elementary schools to help us meet our goal of reaching every public school. (Sections/Branches that would like to purchase Dream Big DVDs for local elementary schools are welcome to do so, but the matching program only applies to public middle/junior high schools.)

Each two-disk toolkit includes the full-length feature film *Dream Big: Engineering Our World*, licensed for educational use, available in English, Spanish, French, and closed-captioning. A second DVD will contain the educational webisodes and other videos, as well as the complete Educator's Guide containing lessons for Kindergarten through 12th grade.

The cost of the toolkit is \$5, which includes shipping. You can opt to have ASCE Headquarters mail the DVDs directly to the schools, or to have the DVDs delivered to your Section/Branch for personal delivery. The cost will remain the same in either case.

Actual distribution of the DVDs will take place in the fall of 2018.

(New Business – allocated funds for Southern Branch YMG)

From: Bryan Clark

Sent: Thursday, January 4, 2018 8:59 AM

To: 'stephanie.pluta88@gmail.com' <stephanie.pluta88@gmail.com>



Cc: 'Drake, Allison' <Allison.Drake@rsandh.com>; Rob Price <rprice@summit-companies.com>

Subject: ASCE NC Southern Branch YMG Funds Request

Good morning Stephanie,

On behalf of the younger member group with the southern branch I'd like to request the allotted funds available for our use. It is my understanding that \$800 is available for events, marketing, etc. Let me know if you need any information from me.

Have a great day,

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(New Business – Daniel Terrell Paper Competition)

Thomas Fitzgerald <tfitzgerald@schnabel-eng.com>

To



William Akin

CC

Bob Cagle_engharris@yahoo.com_Stephanie Pluta_John Garner_Sanderson, Rick

03/01/17 at 1:06 PM

William,

Congratulations! I wanted to let you know that the NC Section of ASCE has officially selected and forwarded your paper for consideration in the Daniel V. Terrell Paper Competition. I assume that you will be able to attend the Governor's Meeting in Knoxville on May 18 to 20 as required by the competition. **The NC board has agreed to assist with your travel expenses to represent us at the meeting. Our reimbursement is in general conformance with ASCE guidelines. This includes mileage at government rate or airfare purchased at least 14 days ahead. We will also provide a per diem of \$135 per night to cover hotel, meals, and incidentals.** This may not cover all of your costs, but should certainly help.

Thanks very much for preparing the paper and for your support of ASCE. Best of luck in the competition. Please let me know if there is anything you need from the Section.

Tom

—

Thomas Fitzgerald, PE / Principal

Schnabel ENGINEERING

Build Better. Together.

(New Business – Carolinas Conference)



Evan Reilly <evanmichaelreilly@gmail.com>

To **Bob Cagle**

CC **David Harris_Christine Nguyen Herrick_Freehart, Kyle_Keith Rines_Dave Skurky** and 7 more...

Feb 19 at 10:15 PM

All,

I have created a Google Form [survey](#) that we can use to keep track of ASCE members signing up to volunteer for Carolinas Conference in April.

Link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12KgKqBYL60orGYWSKJ7NWrCZGSPwIloWRhS8n6GUUQ/edit?usp=sharing>

I based this draft on the schedule that was posted to the [official conference website](#).

After I get some feedback from Chris/Sara/Karyn/Courtney about the event schedule and volunteer/judge needs, we can share this with the YMG and Eastern Branch listservs to manage our volunteers!

Sound good?

Evan



APPENDIX 2

MINUTES FROM DEC. 14, 2017 MEETING



APPENDIX 3

FEB. 23, 2018, TREASURER'S REPORT

(Treasurer's Report for Feb. 23, 2018)

[Stephanie Pluta <stephanie.pluta88@gmail.com>](mailto:stephanie.pluta88@gmail.com)

To
Bob Cagle



CC

Rick_engharris@yahoo.com john@garner-eng.com kyle.freehart@kimley-horn.com [Luke Montoya](#) and 2 more...

Today at 8:31 AM

My apologies, I will also be unable to call in this morning, apparently our CPR training is mandatory. I've attached the bank statement for our general fund and our scholarship fund statement for January. I have a few comments on the budget as well. I'll put together a call for next week for the budget and scholarship committees to reconvene and finalize everything.

I spoke with Kyle yesterday about the Spring Tech and will be giving him some assistance with coordination of the conferences. Hoping to get some input/assistance from the NC A&T Chapter (Kyle will speak to this).

I will be going up to the Legislative Fly-in in March. Can we get a list of everyone who is attending after this meeting?

We have not received all the financials for every branch yet, I believe we are waiting on the Western and Northern branches. I haven't heard a word from Duane Bents on the GEI Institute.

We have not received the disbursement from Nationals yet.

I will have more availability this weekend if you would like to call and discuss anything.

Thanks,
Stephanie
cell-919-641-7311

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NORTH CAROLINA SECTION



ASCE – North Carolina Section Board Meeting

April 20, 2018 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Conference Call Meeting

Call-in # 1-240-238-2287 Bridge 52305

Attendance: David Harris
Rick Sanderson
Bob Cagle
Kyle Freehart
Brian Pownall
Tom Fitzgerald
Stephanie Pluta
Steve Lacz

Call to Order at 2:02 PM

Review and Adopt Minutes from February 23, 2018 Board Meeting –

- The Board reviewed the minutes from the February 24, 2018 Board Meeting and will vote to approve at the next Board meeting.

Treasurer’s Report –

- Stephanie Pluta reviewed the Treasurer’s Report and draft budget that were sent out to the attendees before the meeting.
- Stephanie sent out a link to the budget with up to date financials to the Board members.
- David asked that each Board member review the budget and send any comments to Stephanie by 4/27/18.
- Stephanie is going to reach out to Christyn Fertenbaugh about the plans and costs for the Legislative reception.

Branch Reports

Western Branch – No report.

NORTH CAROLINA SECTION 2017-2018

BRANCHES: COASTAL - EASTERN - NORTHERN - SOUTHERN - WESTERN

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Southern Branch – David Harris provided the report for the Southern Branch. The Southern Branch had a joint meeting with the UNCC Student Chapter on 4/19/18 to acknowledge the graduating seniors. The Branch is holding their annual golf tournament on May 17th.

Northern Branch – Steve Lacz provided the report for the Northern Branch. The Northern Branch is ready to help out at the Spring Tech being held at NC A&T on May 4th.

Eastern Branch – Brian Pownall provided the report for the Eastern Branch. Brian reported that the Branch just wrapped up the Carolinas Conference at Duke University. They are wrapping things up for the year with the student chapters at NC State and Duke and getting ready for next year's Carolinas Conference which is being held at NC State. The Branch is planning a NC State Senior reception in May and are planning a golf tournament for one of their meetings in the Fall.

Coastal Branch – No report.

Governor's Report

No report.

Old Business

- Spring Technical (Kyle) – May 4, 2018, at NC A&T (Greensboro, NC)
 - Kyle Freehart provided an update on Spring Tech.
 - We have finalized the keynote speaker and the session speakers for the conference.
 - Kyle needs volunteers to help at Spring Tech.

- Fall Annual Meeting (Kyle)
 - Kyle Freehart provided an update on the Fall Annual Meeting.
 - Kyle will really begin the planning for the Fall Annual Meeting after the Spring Tech is completed on May 4th.
 - He will look at moving the event to September to avoid conflicting with the ASCE National Conference.
 - He is going to look at the dates of 9/24 & 9/25 or 10/4 & 10/5 for the event in Asheville.

- Bob Cagle suggested he contact John Garner to get his assistance since John lives in the Asheville area and help set up the last Section event that was held in Asheville.

NEW BUSINESS

- NCASCE endorsement of NCSU College of Engineering waiver petition of UNC Policy 400.1.5(l). *(See appendix p. 4)*
 - Policy mandates that degree programs require no more than 120 semester credit hours.
 - Our position favors waiving this requirement for the NCSU College of Engineering. Our policy is consistent with ASCE Policy Statement 465: <http://www.asce.org/issues-and-advocacy/public-policy/policy-statement-465---academic-prerequisites-for-licensure-and-professional-practice/>
 - Question: should we reach out to other engineering programs?
 - Move to approve the letter

Bob Cagle said that ASCE is against the move to limit the number of hours.

David asked that the Board review the letter and be prepared to take a vote within the next couple of weeks.

There was a motion to approve sending the letter prepared by David, pending an email vote by the Board within the next 2 weeks (motion by Rick Sanderson, 2nd by Tom Fitzgerald).

- Section Support for Student Chapters to National Competitions *(See appendix 1, p. 5)*
 - UNCC Concrete Canoe
 - NCSU Steel Bridge
 - UNCC Steel Bridge

Stephanie is going to check the budget to see what funds may be available to help the student chapters out with the costs for attending the ASCE National completion.

- Emergency Response Committee – the group is requesting at least one ASCE representative to serve on the Structural Engineers Emergency Response (SEER) Committee. *(See Appendix 1, p. 6)*

- David asked if we know of any Structural Engineers that may be interested in participating on the SEER Committee. If so, please let him know.
- Carolinas Engineering Conference (June 7-9, 2018 Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort) – May be an opportunity for involvement. (<http://scengineeringconference.org>)
- Bob Cagle said we need to convene a new slate of officers for next year. He suggested that the Board set up an Officer Nominating Committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:02 PM – The next meeting will be in June. David to send the meeting date to the Board members.