

**North Dakota Society of Professional Engineers
Board of Directors Meeting
June 3, 2004 – Teleconference Call**

1. **Call to Order** – The Board of Directors of NDSPE met via teleconference on June 3, 2004 at 4:00 p.m. President Don Andersen called the meeting to order. Present by city were:
 - Fargo: Dr. Don Andersen, PhD, PE, Dr. Otto Helweg, PhD, PE, NSPE and Dr. Lawrence Woodbury, PhD, PE, NSPE
 - Bismarck: Er. Gary Doerr, PE, NSPE, Er Kevin Nelson, PE, NSPE, Darin Schaeffer, PE, NSPE, Er Thomas Little, PE, NSPE and Mary Nelson
 - Grand Forks: Dr. Bruce Dockter, PhD, PE, NSPE, Er. Jay Kleven, PE, NSPE, and Er. Nate Weisenburger, PE, NSPE

The Secretary declared that a quorum was present.

2. **Introductions**
3. **Adoption of the Agenda** – Item Number 7 Other Business was added to the agenda
4. **Approval of Minutes** – the minutes from the previous Board of Directors meeting held March 25-27,2004 were distributed via mail and reviewed.

Er. Nelson moved to dispense of reading and approve the minutes as distributed. Motion was seconded by Dr. Helweg and carried.
5. **Old Business-**
6. **New Business-**
 - a. **2004 Annual Meeting Recap-** Er. Kleven reported that Chapter 1 was very successful with the annual meeting due to local sponsors donations. The chapter recognized the sponsors in the Grand Forks Herald, which was greatly appreciated, by the sponsors. The chapter also has contacted the hotel with recommendations for future meetings. Er. Nelson thanked Chapter 1 for hosting the meeting and conducting a very successful meeting.
 - b. **2005 Annual Meeting Update-** Chapter 4 has begun the initial planning process for the 2005 Annual Meeting.
7. **Other Business-** Er. Nelson reported the North Central Region teleconference was held on June 2, 2004. Some of the issues discussed during the NC Region teleconference were the possibility of Missouri and Kansas considering “state/chapter only” membership due to membership and financial problems. The NSPE Future Directions Task Force is reviewing the situation and will make recommendations. The practice divisions have some books written by a NSPE

member. The Product & Service Department is offering these books to the state societies at cost. The states can sell them to members and prospective members.

The North Central Region Meeting is scheduled for September 9-10, 2004 in St. Paul, MN. Three individuals from the NC Region will be receiving awards at the meeting in St Paul. The NC Region holds a teleconference quarterly; if anyone is interested in participating, notify Er. Nelson.

Dr. Helweg commented ASEC has the sale of books include in their operating budget. The idea of selling books would be a good revenue generator and a possible new member attraction. Dr. Helweg requested a list of titles and publishers of NSPE books.

Dr. Andersen recommended charging an additional fee for non-members for PDH's at the Annual Meetings. Dr. Dockter commented that he supports continuing PDH's at the meetings. Dr. Woodbury added that ASCE is interested in working with NDSPE on PDH programs to avoid duplication of efforts.

Dr. Helweg reported that the NDSU Steel Bridge team won the National Championship. This is the 3rd time NDSU has received this honor, the only time one team has won the competition three times.

Er. Doerr reported he attended the APEG Annual Meeting in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan in May. The meeting was very successful with many continuing education sessions conducted. Er. Doerr plans to travel to Manitoba in the Fall for their meeting.

8. Adjourn-

Dr. Helweg moved the NDSPE Board of Directors meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Er. Nelson and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary B. Nelson
Executive Secretary

Kevin G. Nelson, P.E.
Secretary-Treasurer

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