

Eastern Pennsylvania & Delaware Chapter of ACI

Officers & Directors Meeting Minutes June 1, 2017

The Board of Directors met on June 1, 2017 at the Conshohocken Brewery in Bridgeport. Present for the meeting were Shawn Casey, Steven Cole, David Barney Heller, Krishan Saini, Steve Penzone, Mike Padula, Gary Horninger, and Carl Sparano. We were also joined by Toni Rezinova and Minsuk Oh from PNC to help us correct our bank account situation

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm Last month's minutes were approved.

May 18th Dinner

We had light attendance at the dinner, but Mike Morykin gave an excellent talk on GPR. We got a good appreciation for the application and limits of looking into cured concrete via radar.

Website

The new website is up and running! Mike Moxley has created a clean and fresh website with the new address and phone numbers. We will be merging the website with Cvent to make our meetings much easier. In addition, we will get a PayPal account to handle credit card payments.

2016 Taxes

We have not received any paperwork from the Smulski's, the previous secretary and treasurer. They have refused to send the information which has only added to the questions of their stewardship of EPDACI over the past several years. No one has audited the books in over 8 years. The lack of cooperation has only festered suspicion. Hopefully the Smulski's will stop stonewalling and hand over the financial information.

Barney filed an extension for the tax return. If no more financial information is provided, Barney will fill out the form as best possible, but will add a note stating that the Smulski's are responsible for any omissions.

New Directors

Gary contacted Bubby who wants to continue as a director. We will hold elections in December as usual and not have an interim election to replace Daniel Brooks.

Bank Account:

Toni and Minsuk from PNC briefly discussed the changeover to a new, nonprofit bank account. There will be no fees with this new account. It is in Barney's (David Heller) name and will continue until he steps down as president. At that point, the new president will guarantee the account. We agreed that the Vice President will audit the bank account and finances quarterly. This will be a function of the vice president position.

Bylaws

Carl gave some suggestions on changing the by-laws. One specific point he made was that there was no executive director position. There is a lot of confusion on past payment of the executive director, monthly/hourly and the amount. No one was certain of this. Our new by-laws will avoid such an issue.

Chapter Membership

We are trying to determine who has paid for their chapter membership. The one list that Barbara had available showed only 13 members and Krishan was the only one of our group on the list. We know there are more, but again no cooperation from the Smulski's is hampering our efforts.

Financials

We are moving accounts, but are in a good position at this time. Philadelphia has not paid for its certifications yet. Mike called, but the number was disconnected. We will keep on top of this.

New Business

Certification Conduct

There were some complaints from Kaks about the conduct of the examiners at the certifications. Steve Penzone apologized for any perception of unprofessional conduct and assured Krishan that nothing was meant to demean any person or company. No student was targeted, in fact 26 of 31 students initially failed some portion of the certification test. This caused frustration all around. The examiners will be more cognizant of any perception of unprofessional behavior and are instituting some changes in the test methods to reduce any question of technique. One example is having the student count the number of rods they do as they perform the test.

Next Board Meeting will be 8/3/2017 at Conshohocken Brewery in Bridgeport.

The location was loud. We will try to get upstairs next time. In addition to having good beer, the overall cost was a fraction of the breakfast meetings. We invite interested members to attend and enjoy the comradery.

Next Dinner meeting will be 9/21/17;

Ultra High Performance Concrete – Larry Rowland will be our speaker.

Adjournment at 8:45 p.m.

Respectively submitted: Barney Heller, President, EPDACI