



EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS INCORPORATED

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MINUTES

EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 8, 2024

The Mill
Round Lake, NY

President Meisler called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

Present: Kaleb Winters, Richard Palmer, Dave Schmidt, Brie Meisler, Dwayne Cooper, James Vianna, Timothy Huggins and Ralph Hill

Absent: Lawrence O'Connor, Lucas Boyer, Jason Tommell, Jason Peterson, and Luke Richardson

Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper

- Dwayne presented the December proposed meeting minutes. A motion to accept the December meeting minutes was made by Kaleb Winters, seconded by Rick Palmer. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim provided an update on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- Income in the amount of \$3,110 (\$110NYSAPLS dues and \$3,000 transfer from LPL for scholarships).
- Jim said he would email out a proposed budget.

MTS Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim reported that there has been no movement.
- Jim reported that he will be stepping down from the committee.
- Brie said she will make a plea to the membership for a member to join the committee.

President's Report: Brie Meisler

- Correction to NYSAPLS BOD meeting notes – Nicole Kalicicki, president of Mid-Hudson, is not the new conference committee member. It is someone from Mid-Hudson, but Brie is not certain who.
- Luke Richardson and I chose 3 scholarship recipients – Eastern Memorial went to Connor Ingham and Ava Bruehwiler both of Alfred State, and Hartnett Memorial went to Benjamin Swinnerton of the Ranger school.
- I attended the NYSAPLS BOD meeting on 1/16/2024 and 1/19/2024.
- The conference exceeded budget projections.
- DOT Relations committee reported that they have made substantial progress on a GIS. They are also working to build a list of resources to put on the NYSAPLS website. <https://www.nysapls.org/page/Links>
- On the recommendation of the Ethical Practices committee, a member was suspended for 3 years for signing plans for several companies that were not registered to practice within the NYS.
- The legislative committee reported that they have received clarification that students who are unable to obtain the necessary credits for licensure through a matriculated program could complete the course work elsewhere as long as the required subject matter is covered.

- The public relations committee has expanded their social media presence to Instagram.
- There were 694 conference attendees and 39 exhibitors.

Executive Vice President's Report: Jason Peterson

- No report

Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer

- No report

Past President's Report: Kaleb Winters

- Kaleb reported that he had a nice time at the NYSAPLS Annual Conference.
- He reported that he sat on the Real World Panel.
- He reported that the Young Professionals Committee is working on putting together a website that will feature job and career options.

Standing Committee Reports

Calibration Base Line (ad hoc): Randy Paquin and Rick Palmer

Constitution and By-Laws: Larry O'Connor

Continuing Education: Jody Lounsbury, Charles Lent and Eric Crampton

Ethical Practices: Larry O'Connor, Jeff Ostertag and Charles Lent

Finance: Carl Rigdon and Chris Czerw

Legislative: Larry O'Connor

Program: Randy Paquin

Public Relations: Jody Lounsbury, Eric Crampton and Brie Meisler

Scholastic Development: Randy Paquin and Kristen Darrah

Business Practice and Technical Information: Chris Czerw

Membership: Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

Website: Brie Meisler, Dwayne Cooper and Charles Lent

- Dwayne reported that the website has been updated with the new slate of officers and BOD members.

Old Business:

- Jim made a motion to amend the December motion for a \$100 donation to Saratoga Plan and amend it to purchasing a NSPS Final Point for C. Donald Carpenter in lieu of the original motion, Kaleb seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed. Jim reported that he had been in contact with Art Carpenter about a location for the final point. The cost of the Final Point marker is going to be about \$135, Jim said that he would cover the cost over the \$100 ENYSLS donation. Saratoga PLAN said that they would advertise the date and location of the dedication ceremony when it has been set.

New Business:

- Annual audit. Dave volunteered to conduct the annual audit.
- Domain Renewal. The domain name renewal is due by March 17, 2024. A discussion was held, and the conclusion was to renew the domain name for the maximum period offered (nine years) at a total cost of

\$163.53. Jim made a motion to renew the domain name for nine years, Dave seconded. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

- CST exam. A discussion was held about ENYSLS hosting a CST exam. Dwayne is currently approved by NSPS as a CST proctor and Brie agreed to submit an application to be approved as a proctor too. A discussion was held about the value of mailing a letter to the heads of the members on the proprietors list as well as a general email to the entire membership advertising the exam. A motion for ENYSLS to pay for postage to mail a letter out to proprietors was made by Dave and seconded by Jim. A vote was held, and the motion passed.
- Program for March. Jim agreed to give a presentation on the Binding Arbitration process that Northern has adopted.
- Kaleb reported that Alfred A. Major's records were held by Ferguson & Foss.

Upcoming Events:

- 2/23/2024-2/24/2024 NYS Specific LS Exam Spring Review workshop
- 3/15/2024 NYSAPLS BOD meeting in Saratoga Springs
- 4/5/2024 First Friday Webinar – Aerial Mapping Ground Control Best Practices
- 5/3/2024 First Friday Webinar FEMA Letter of Map Amendment (LOMAs)

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ralph Hill, seconded by Kaleb Winters. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne Cooper, PLS
ENYSLS Secretary

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