



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS  
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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
Thursday, October 8, 2009  
Fraser & Associates, Rensselaer, NY

President Johannessen called the meeting to order at approximately 5:39pm

Present were: Howie Johannessen, Kurt Heiss, Bob Ihlenburg, William Whimple, Bill Darling, Kristin Demers, Kevin Waldruff, Carl Rigdon and Lawrence O'Connor (via conference call).

Absent were: Eric Crampton, Gordy Matson, and Matt Bowe.

**Secretary's Report:** Kurt Heiss

The minutes from the June meeting were reviewed; a motion was made by Bob Ihlenburg, Seconded by Carl Rigdon, to approve the minutes with minor corrections. Motion passed.

The Board discussed the updated Lapsed Member Lists that were received by NYSAPLS. Secretary Heiss will e-mail the lists to the Board Members and Board Members will contact individual lapsed members regarding renewing.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob Ihlenburg

Treasurer Ihlenburg gave a verbal Treasurer's report. Treasurer Ihlenburg will be sending a deposit check to Moscatiello's for the January Meeting. Secretary Heiss requested an advance to cover the costs of the stamps and envelopes for the annual ballot mailings.

**President's Report:** Howie Johannessen

President Johannessen presented the following topics to the Board:

- NYSAPLS has sent paperwork so that we can submit an ad for the Conference Journal. President Johannessen asked if the ad was up to date. Secretary Heiss said that the ad was up to date as of last year, and that he could easily update it based on the new Paid Members list. A motion was made by Kurt Heiss, seconded by Bill Whimple, for ENYSLS to purchase a full-page ad in the 2010 Conference Journal. Motion Passed.
- NYSAPLS has asked if we want to sponsor the 2012 conference as it will be in Saratoga Springs. The Board discussed past conferences that were hosted by ENYSLS and previous Regional Conference Committees. Larry O'Connor mentioned that he has past experience arranging conferences and expressed possible interest in helping ENYSLS host a conference. A motion was made by Kurt Heiss, seconded by Bob Ihlenburg, for ENYSLS to offer to host the 2012 Conference in Saratoga. Motion Passed.

**Executive Vice-President's Report:** Gordy Matson: No Report

**Vice-President's Report:** Kevin Waldruff – Nothing to Report

**Committee Reports:**

-----Standing Committees-----

**Constitution & By-Laws:** Bob Ihlenburg – Nothing to Report

**Scholastic Development:** Kristin Demers:

Scholarship. Applications have been sent to the schools. The deadline to submit an application is October 23. The Scholarship Committee will set up interviews once the applications arrive.

**Ethics and Business Practices:** Don Darrah: No Report

**Continuing Education:** Jody Lounsbury – Written Report Submitted:

In a written report, Jody Lounsbury asked for the Board's position on the Home Show since it is time to send in the fee and forms. Jody stated that he felt the Home Show was a worthwhile investment for the profession, that it is the only real public marketing ENYSLS does, that the total cost is less than \$1000.00 and most of the members that have served time at the booth view it as a positive experience. The Board once again discussed the topic of the Home Show, Funding for the Home Show, and format of the Home Show. A motion was made by Bob Ihlenburg, seconded by Bill Darling, to take a year off, not participate in the Home Show for 2010, and to re-evaluate Eastern's participation in the show come 2011. Motion Passed (six Members voting Aye, one No and one Abstention). The Board will explore other avenues through which we can interact with the public, including the Capital District Engineers. This topic will be discussed with the general membership at the November meeting.

The Board then discussed one-hour, CEU-bearing dinner courses and a rejuvenation of the Fall Seminar. A motion was made by Bob Ihlenburg, seconded by Larry O'Connor, to have the Continuing Education Committee investigate the available options for one-hour courses and a Fall Seminar and report back to the Board with options. Motion passed.

**Finance:** Bill Darling – Nothing to Report.

**Membership:** Gordy Matson – No Report

**Legislative:** Larry O'Connor – Nothing to Report

**Program:** Bill Whimple:

The November (Annual) meeting is set up at the Crossgates Restaurant. Bill Whimple has contacted several vendors and they have indicated interest in attending.

The January meeting will be at Moscatiello's, and Kevin will be contacting the speaker to arrange for a talk on Debt Collections

The Board discussed the possibility of running another Associate Member night with an Associate oriented topic and possibly with free or discounted meals for the Associates. The program committee will look into this further for next year.

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Public Relations: Nothing to Report

Technical Information: Eric Crampton – No Report

-----Temporary and Ad-hoc Committees-----

Website and Archival Information: Kurt Heiss – Nothing to Report

Nominating Committee: Jody Lounsbury – Written Report Submitted

The Nominating Committee has assembled a slate of Three Regular and Three Associate/Intern Members to run for the open Director positions. Secretary Heiss will send out a final, last-call e-mail with a cutoff date for any further volunteers to come forward. The committee is in the process of collecting the candidates' biographies, after which they will be forwarded to Secretary Heiss so the ballots can be printed and mailed.

The Board discussed the fact that two Associate positions are open this year, and how best to fill those positions fairly. Several voting options were discussed. A motion was made by William Whimple, seconded by Carl Rigdon, to vote for the full slate of Associate/Intern members at once, and for the member receiving the highest number of votes to be appointed to the three-year term, and for the person receiving the second-highest number of votes to be appointed to the one-year term. Motion passed.

### **Old Business:**

Life/Honorary Members – Secretary Heiss was not finished putting together a suggested list and this issue was tabled.

### **New Business:**

Jody Lounsbury mentioned in his written report that he had been contacted by Mid-Hudson regarding joining them as in past years to run a Hospitality Suite at the 2010 Conference. A motion was made by Kurt Heiss, seconded by William Whimple, for ENYSLS to fund a joint Hospitality Suite with the Mid-Hudson Valley Land Surveyors Association, and to allocate \$500 of funds for the purpose, to be used as needed/necessary. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kristin Demers, seconded by Bob Ihlenburg, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20pm.

**The next meeting of the ENYSLS Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, November 12th, 2009, at the Crossgates Restaurant an Banquet House, in conjunction with the ENYSLS Annual Meeting.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Kurt J. Heiss, L.S.**  
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