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#### MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Thursday, April 8, 2010

Quality Inn, Central Avenue, Albany

President Johannessen called the meeting to order at approximately 5:45pm

Present were: Howie Johannessen, Kurt Heiss, Bob Ihlenburg, Gordy Matson, Kristin Demers, Don Darrah and Lee Lurie.

Absent were: William Whimple, Carl Rigdon, Eric Crampton, Bill Darling, Lawrence O'Connor and Michael Gaines.

# Secretary's Report: Kurt Heiss

• The minutes from the March meeting were reviewed; a motion was made by Don Darrah, Seconded by Kristin Demers, to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Ihlenburg

• There is approximately \$2500 in the checking account.

President's Report: Howie Johannessen:

- At the March meeting the BOD voted to offer one CEU for the Adverse Possession seminar. One or two of the Surveyors in attendance were not members of NYSAPLS. The BOD discussed the issue, and by Unanimous Consent decided not to give the credit to the non-members in attendance.
- The NYSAPLS COPS Committee issued its report regarding Machine Control and Electronic Data Files. President Johannessen asked Secretary Heiss to distribute the document to the General Membership so that they can forward President Johannessen their questions, comments, concerns, suggestions by the May ENYSLS General Membership Meeting so he can report to the NYSAPLS BOD the following Friday.
- The NYSAPLS Legislative Committee issued the Final Draft language for the definition of Land Surveying in New York State. President Johannessen asked Secretary Heiss to distribute the document to the General Membership so that they can forward President Johannessen their questions, comments, concerns, suggestions by the May ENYSLS General Membership Meeting so he can report to the NYSAPLS BOD the following Friday.
- At the last NYSAPLS BOD meeting, there was an in-depth discussion about NYSAPLS offering one-hour continuing education courses that the Regionals can offer to their members at dinner meetings. There was a discussion of the current costs for having such programs approved through the Shaw Fund (currently \$350 for approval, plus \$10 per attendee for the record keeping). There was much discussion and input from representatives of most of the Regionals that there are much less expensive credit approval options available through other organizations, but the Regionals would rather use/support NYSAPLS/Shaw Fund, but that the costs are becoming prohibitive. NYSAPLS will look into the situation and report back to the Regional Representatives.

# Executive Vice-President's Report: Eric Crampton: No Report

## Vice-President's Report: Don Darrah -

• The May meeting will be held at the Ravenswood in Clifton Park, and meal-choices will be confirmed soon.

#### **Committee Reports:**

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

Constitution & By-Laws: Kurt Heiss - Nothing to Report

Scholastic Development: Kristin Demers:

• Today was Paul Smiths Shadow Day. The college is splitting the cost of the students' rooms, and the host firms are paying for their student's dinner. The total cost of Shadow Day to ENYSLS this year will be \$342.00. The students arrived, were handed off to their hosts, and returned without any major problems.

Ethics and Business Practices: Don Darrah - Nothing to Report

Continuing Education: Jody Lounsbury -

• A final report of the costs of the Hospitality Suite was submitted (Attached).

Finance: Bill Darling - No Report.

Membership: Kurt Heiss - Nothing to Report

Legislative: Larry O'Connor - No Report

Program: Bill Whimple - No Report

• The May presentation will be a presentation by a financial consultant.

Public Relations: Jody Lounsbury - No Report

Technical Information: Eric Crampton - No Report

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# Website and Archival Information: Kurt Heiss -

• The annual hosting fees were submitted to Treasurer Ihlenburg. The total annual hosting fees were \$27.88 (the cost of the server divided amongst the three Regionals whose websites are hosted) – this is a reduction from previous years due to the dropping cost of server space/bandwidth.

Conference Committee 2012: Brian Magee -

• Brian Magee gave an in-depth report (written report attached) about the recent activities of the NYSPLS Conference Committee. It was noted that the more people the Regional can muster to help out with manning/staffing duties at the conference that they host, the more of the share of the conference proceeds they will retain (currently \$5000).

## Old Business:

No Old Business

<u>New Business</u>:

No New Business

A motion to adjourn was made by Don Darrah, seconded by Lee Lurie, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45pm.

After the meeting, the Board shared a light dinner with the Paul Smith's Students and Professor Kraatz, and dinner was followed by a question/answer session and roundtable between the BOD and Students.

# The next meeting of the ENYSLS Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, May 13th, 2010, at the Ravenswood Restaurant in Clifton Park in conjunction with the May General Membership Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Kurt J. Heiss, L.S. ENYSLS Secretary heisskj953@roadrunner.com

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I have attached the unofficial minutes of the meeting as provided by Amber Anderson of NYSAPLS Headquarters.

Looking at revising the schedule to try and have more free time available for attendees to be in the Exhibit Hall. Not enough time to have people in the hall was the biggest concern of exhibitors that returned the customer survey.

Discussed having a second reception in the exhibit hall in place of the banquet. I would think the Executive Board will have some say in this decision.

Trying to schedule a conference call with exhibitors for April 12 to get comments and involve them in decisions about upcoming plans.

Discussed having a possible Keynote speech.

College professors would like to have the students more involved. Work booths, introduce speakers, etc. Possibly have a small job fair.

Map contest - only 8 maps submitted. Want to get more interest.

The total number of the various registrations for 2010 conference was 749.

Current statement indicates a profit of \$35,000. There was an expense of \$9,800 to the Shaw Fund to approve the seminars. The budget shows \$5000 for the Regional host.

Eastern is only slated to host the first Saratoga conference, in 2012. There is no host assigned to the 2013 conference at this time.

The next committee meeting will be a conference call this month. The next face to face meeting is currently scheduled for May 21 at headquarters.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian F. Magee April 5, 2010

# 2010 ENYSLS Mid-Hudson Hospitality Room

Albany Benerage	\$494.98	Paid By ENYSLS
Sam's Club	\$215.34	From \$250 Advance to JJL
Tips	\$80.00	From \$250 Advance to JJL
Additional Beverages	\$40.00	From \$250 Advance to JJL
room	\$100.00	

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Total Cost	\$930.32	
		\$465.16
	Cash Expenses	
	Gash Expenses	\$215.34
		\$80.00
		\$40.00
	Total Cash	\$335.34
Due Back to JJL	\$85.34	