



The Ohio State University

Civil Engineering Alumni Association

Board of Governors

Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2009

Board Members	P	Pat Ellis		Jim Nimz		Harry Thomas	
Keith Banachowski	X	Greg Evans	X	Chad Ostheimer		Guests	
Joe Cohen	X	Scott Jackson	P	Eric Setzler	X	Luke Bolzenius	
Bill Coombs		Kelly Kokesh	X	Dave Straub	X	Carolyn Merry	
X Doug Davis		Don Mackling	X	Boris Slogar	X	Craig Little	P = by phone

Past Business

Board Members

Chad Ostheimer has resigned from the Board and the Board is awaiting notification from Jim Nimz as to his Board membership status.

Graduating Seniors

Letters were provided for inclusion into the graduation packet sent last month. Thanks to Cindy Sopher in the Dept. Office for helping out.

Craig suggested that we consider a Senior Toast – which is a free lunch before students go over for the graduation commencement.

Current Business

2008 Year End Report

The year-end report and financial report have both been completed and submitted to the Alumni Association. No update since the last meeting.

Constitution/Strategic Plan

Strategic Plan is completed and accepted. Constitutional changes must

still be approved by OSU Alumni and ratified by OSUCEAA membership.

Changes to the constitution will be posted online by Scott Jackson with an e-mail sent to all members requesting that they review the changes and vote electronically.

Department News

Dr. Merry reported that the department academic program review will be conducted at the end of this month. Three individuals are coming in as the review team: chaired by Joe Hughes from Georgia Tech, Bob Dodds from the University of Illinois, and George List from North Carolina State University.

The Department is preparing to take high school juniors and seniors on April 21st for a career day. Activities will include a tour of Huntington Ball Park and lunch at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Café. Beth Meeks from BBC&M is coordinating this event with the department.

A record enrollment of 82 civil engineering students came into the program this spring quarter. 45 came into the program this past fall. The College of Engineering has experienced a 25% increase in applications this year.



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OSU Alumni News

Craig Little attended and his report is included in the attached PDF file.

There are 23 societies with a Facebook or MySpace page.

\$2.9M in scholarships were awarded by alumni societies last year.

Average annual alumni society dues are \$26 with highest amount being \$50.

Student News

ASCE student chapter is gearing up for a tee shirt sale.

Survey Team came in 1st place for set up and 3rd place for construction.

Canoe and Steel Bridge Teams results are being processed. Full results and team reports will be presented at next Board meeting.

Membership Drive/Update

Doug reported that 4,200 membership mailers were sent out. Mailers were printed out by Tom's Print Shop in Zanesville (at a reduced rate from the rate quoted by the OSU Alumni Association print shop).

Treasurers Report

Bill reported that the checking balance is \$3,831.42. There are 166 membership checks in the process of being deposited. USC football tickets are paid for, President's Club tickets are paid for, and

we are awaiting an invoice for Toledo football tickets.

Outstanding Alumni Award

No update.

Web Site

Scott reported that the website has been recently updated.

OSUCEAA Scholarship

The Department is waiting on a list of eligible students for the scholarship to forward to OSUCEAA.

\$5870.83 is currently available combined with \$189.95 in residual from last year providing \$7,761.78 available for 2009.

Dave motioned that we provide four scholarships at \$2,500 each (totaling \$10,000), seconded by Scott Jackson and approved by the Board. \$2,238.22 is to be added to the scholarship fund from the general fund.

New Business

Away Football Game (University of Toledo in Cleveland Sept. 19)

Craig reported that OSUCEAA received 50 tickets for the game. Tickets are \$57 each. Tailgating (food and beer concessions) will be made available at the Great Lakes Science Center near the stadium. Admission for the tailgating event will be \$10. The Cleveland Marriott is the designated alumni hotel for this event.



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Consideration should be given to chartering a bus (perhaps an OSU bus) to go from Columbus to Cleveland.

Central Ohio ASCE Dinner

April 16th at Ohio University. Dr. Merry and three students will represent OSU.

Golf Outing

Outing to be held August 1, 2009 at St. Alban's Golf Course in Alexandria (east of Columbus). Dave and Pat will collaborate on contacting sponsors.

Scholarship Luncheon

To be held May 16th at Buckeye Hall of Fame Café in Columbus. RSVP to Cindy Sopher at sopher.1@osu.edu.

Annual Meeting/Football Game

To be held as part of OSU/USC football game reunion weekend on September 12. (game at 8:00 pm). There will likely be a BBQ as part of the engineering reunion activities. We should consider having our annual meeting before the BBQ begins. Board is considering having annual meeting in Stander Room on 4th floor of Hitchcock Hall. Mailer should be ready to go by July 1st.

Those alumni that receive tickets for the game through the parent Alumni Group will not be eligible for tickets as part of the Civil Engineering reunion weekend. This will be strictly enforced by the parent Alumni Association.

2009 Board Meeting Schedule

Jan 13

Feb 10
Mar 11
Apr 14
May 12
Jun 09
Jul 14
Aug 11
Sep 08
Oct 13
Nov 10
Dec 08

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Doug Davis and seconded by Boris Slogar. Remaining board members concurred.

*The next Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 12** at Hitchcock Hall.*