

**MINUTES OF THE  
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS OF OHIO  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Location: COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL, SEMINAR 6C6  
Date: FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2010, 6:00 P.M.

ALL REPORTS WERE TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED IN WRITING

- 1.0 Call to Order & Devotions 6 AO Rion Myers III
  - *President Myers called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.*
  - *President Myers led the attendees in devotions.*
  - 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
    - *President Myers led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.*
  - 1.2 Introduction of All in Attendance 6 Rion Myers
    - *To assist in putting names with faces, President Myers asked each attendee introduce himself or herself. Present were (1) John Francis, Delegate, Thomas Hutchins Chapter; (2) Tim Riley, Delegate, Firelands Chapter; (3) Dean Frederick, Past President, Toledo Chapter; (4) Isaac King, Delegate, Congress Lands; (5) Bob Akins, Past President; (6) Dave Bodo, Delegate, Tuscarawas Valley Chapter; (7) Bob Heidkamp, Delegate, Cincinnati Chapter; (8) Al Smith, Delegate, Ohio Valley Chapter; (9) Rose Coors, Delegate, Southwestern Chapter; (10) Luke Walker, Delegate, University of Akron Chapter; (11) Jim Donathan, Delegate, Askega Chapter; (12) Jim Kenyon, Co-Delegate, Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter; (13) Brian Bingham, Delegate, Central Ohio Chapter; (14) Bradley Kramer, Past President, Miami Valley Chapter; (15) George Hofmann, Delegate, Cleveland Chapter; (16) Barb Jones, Assistant Executive Director, PLSO; (17) Melinda Gilpin, Director, PLSO; (18) Don Pickenpaugh, Secretary, PLSO and Ohio Valley Chapter; (19) Rion Myers, President; (20) Brett Tieben, President-Elect; (21) Dana Parsell, Treasurer.*
  - 1.3 Seating of Alternate Chapter Delegates (written authorization necessary)
    - *Barb Jones mentioned if an Alternate Delegate is on the Chapter list and is present, written authorization is not necessary throughout the year.*
  - 1.4 Determination of Quorum (over ½ of 28 member Executive Committee)
    - *Roll call was not needed as introductions had been made.*
    - *5 of 6 Officers, 12 of 20 Delegates, and 2 of 2 Immediate Past Presidents were present. Immediate Past Presidents were Bradley Kramer (2007) and Bob Akins (2006).*
    - *Executive Director Gilpin and Assistant Executive Director Jones were present (though not counted in determining a quorum).*
    - *It was determined that there was a quorum.*
  - 1.5 Agenda Changes
    - *5.4 Surveying Activity by the Unlicensed – Dave Bodo and Dean Frederick*
- 2.0 Acceptance of Secretary's Minutes for September 2008, January 2009, November 2009, January 2010 - Jim Kenyon
  - *Jim Kenyon reported that January 2009 and September 2008 minutes are incomplete.*
  - *Minutes of the November 13, 2009 and January 8, 2010 were submitted and **approved by voice vote upon a motion to accept by Rose Coors and second by Bob Akins.***
- 3.0 Treasurer's Report for December, 2009, January and February, 2010 6 Dana Parsell
  - *The switch to the Columbus Foundation was made December 16.*
  - *Dean Frederick questioned the scholarship fund balance with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney now being zero. Barb explained the remaining balance was transferred to the Columbus Foundation. Melinda said the investment counselor and investment policy will remain the same as before as recommended by the Scholarship Committee.*

- *Melinda noted the account categories changed as recommended by the Finance Committee from the December to the February report and are in transition to make more sense. Account numbers will change in the future in the QuickBooks system. However, the overall budget amount remains the same.*
- *Barb noted a formula needs to be added to the spreadsheet for the year-to-date subtotal for personnel expenses, as the handouts show a zero total.*
- *President Myers accepted the Reports subject to Audit.*

#### 4.0 Unfinished Business

##### 4.1 Surveyor of the Past Plaques - Barb Jones

- *Barb reported that we are still waiting to get the plaques from Jeff Lee who has the walnut backs and metal face plates. We have none; he has 20. Jeff is having a technical school drill holes and attach Ohio plates as a project.*

##### 4.2 Website Proposal ó Melinda Gilpin

- *Melinda reported that she, Barb and Rion met with the web designer last week and went over items that need to be changed. According to today's emails, the site will be fully functional in about two weeks. It will feature online registration for the Fall Seminar, beginning with the new fiscal year in July.*
- *Some problems include the wording on the home page, upper right. The Members section works intermittently and lacks email that some Chapters rely on. Some links pointed to the previous site. Some tab headings do not match page headings. The "find a surveyor" database programming is not ready. These items are in the plan. All will be previewed before going live.*
- *The site is being designed by Marcy Design.*

##### 4.3 Soil Scientists Issues ó Dean Frederick

- *Dean reported that manufacturers of septic systems are now doing on-site mapping, using a robotic, and mapping contours. A surveyor who was doing a split brought this to his attention, and learned the manufacturer had the septic design done and approved before the survey split was complete. This information has been submitted to the Board of Registration.*

##### 4.4 Proposed Removal of PS Requirement of County Engineer ó Dean Frederick

- *Dean Frederick said he is not aware of any further committee activity at this time.*
- *Melinda has been hearing a lot of county engineers have been contacting their representatives, and CEAO is decidedly and vehemently against this legislation. Sometimes politicians talking to politicians gets a lot done. The State Legislature is heading into the budget cycle, which is now their focus.*

##### 4.5 Statute of Limitations - Rose Coors

*Written Report Submitted.*

- *Rose Coors asked for input on what is the actual date of survey. This is the sticking point on the proposed two paragraphs of legislation. Some attorneys say use the date of recording. However, some surveys may not get recorded until years later. What is the date of survey – last time on site, date of invoice, date of payment, when pins were set? Some work may not be signed, such as topo.*
- *Brad Kramer mentioned the Board issued an opinion about five years ago that everything a PS does should be signed. The date signed seems most logical. It would be difficult to decide on every instance.*
- *President Myers mentioned a contract lawyer may use date of contract and there are several ways to look at it. Date of survey seems a good starting point.*
- *The goal is four years from date of survey for the proposed legislation. There is precedent in Clermont County and two district courts.*

##### 4.6 Trumbull County Tax Map Issue ó John Francis

- *John spoke to the county engineer and it appears the county auditor will not allow the county engineer to perform his duties. Deeds are being stamped by GIS staff in the auditors office, bypassing the county engineer altogether.*

- *John presented documentation to those in attendance that an elected county official is a “creature of statute” and must perform only those duties conferred upon him by the General Assembly.*
- *A copy of the Board of Registration opinion on Tuscarawas County was provided stating a PS must supervise reviews of surveys, plats and deed descriptions.*
- *President Myers asked if the auditor’s staff was stamping anything, and John said yes, they are. Prior to 10 years ago, deeds were stamped by the county engineer; since then, they have been stamped by the GIS department.*
- *John cited code stating the county engineer is the tax map draftsman and shall receive no additional compensation for these duties, arguing the engineer has the funds for tax mapping.*
- *Don Pickenpaugh said this is usually interpreted as the county engineer cannot use gas tax and license plate funds to fund tax mapping and relies on other funding.*
- *John stated the county has conveyance standards signed by the engineer and auditor which specify the engineer is to review surveys.*
- *President Myers recommended copies of such stamped instruments be submitted to the Board of Registration as they need documentation for an investigation. It sounds like actual practice does not follow the written standards.*
- *Melinda also recommended getting copies of the conveyance standards and deeds stamped by the GIS staff to support an investigation.*
- *President Myers suggested fellow Chapter members participate in gathering documentation to submit to the Board.*
- *Typically fellow surveyors just go along with the local system.*

5.0 New Business

5.1 New Members - Bob Akins

- *Bob Akins referred to the list for considerations for membership.*
  - 2 Professional - *N. L. Miller, Treaty Lands*  
*William W. Brayshaw, Hamilton County Engineer, Cincinnati*
  - 1 Affiliate - *Greg Gbur, Central Ohio*
  - 4 Student - *Joshua A. Ginnetti, Ohio State University*  
*James A. Kaminski, University of Akron*  
*Mike D. Venesky, University of Akron*  
*Rodney D. Vese, Jr., University of Akron*

***Motion to Accept the New Professional, Affiliate, and Student Members by Bob Akins***  
*Second by Rose Coors*

*Motion passed by Unanimous Voice Vote of the Attendees*

5.1 New Members, continued - Bob Akins

- 4 Reinstatement - *Brent M. Winslow, Tuscarawas Valley*  
*Keith A. Bennett, Stark County Engineer, Tuscarawas Valley*  
*Kathleen A. McGervey, Cleveland*  
*Tony W. Grieshop, Central Ohio*

***Motion to Accept the Reinstatement of Former Members by Bob Akins***  
*Second by Rose Coors*

*Motion passed by Unanimous Voice Vote of the Attendees*

5.2 Review of Special Committees ó Rion Myers

- *President Myers is in the process of forming two new special committees. One is comprised of a few Past Presidents to review the (1) employee handbook and (2) office staff guidelines. Discrepancies were found between the handbook and guidelines in the December management review. The goal is to give better direction to the staff and eliminate small contradictory aspects. Another will begin as a special committee and later become a standing committee, and its function will be not only overseeing the annual auction but will include fundraising throughout the year.*

5.3 Appointment of a Member to the Scholarship Fund Board ó Rion Myers

- *The current member is Chuck Couellier and is up for reappointment, and prefers not to be*

*reappointed if possible. Ed Miller of the Central Ohio Chapter will assume this position.*

5.4 Surveying Activity by the Unlicensed ó Dave Bodo and Dean Frederick

- *Dave Bodo related that a well-known environmental firm wanted a digital copy of an aerial with GIS property lines to be used for finding property corners and lines by handheld GPS for an Indiana bat study. The firm was tactfully cautioned that this was on the edge of surveying and not a good idea. The consensus was if boundaries are being established, a licensed person should be doing so.*
- *President Myers asked the Delegates to take this back to the Chapters and ask members to keep an eye out for such practices.*
- *Dean Frederick commented this has come up before in relation to wetlands studies, many of which are inserted into a report. The Board's questions have been, "What constitutes a map? Does it end up recorded or as a part of an engineering plan?"*
- *Jim Donathan mentioned similar reports such as those by Soil and Water and building groups throughout the State.*
- *Brad Kramer urged watching such activities if the documents portray property lines.*
- *Rose Coors mentioned people relying on coordinates from a GIS product being used to by-pass the surveyor.*
- *Dean stated the user should beware and we should state the source and how data was created if we use such information in our work.*

6.0 Inter-Association Delegates

6.1 CEAO - Dean Ringle

- *Dean was not in attendance and no written report had been submitted.*

6.2 ODOT - Jim Kenyon

- *Written report was submitted; copies of "Monument Assembly, Reference and Right-of-Way" and "Construction and Materials Specifications" ppt presentations were distributed.*
- *Jim reported four presentations are being given around the State for contractors – two last week, two next week. The subject is preserving monuments in construction projects as per the ODOT spec book. The contractor's surveyor is to make a list of monuments on the plan and replace them after the project.*
- *Bob Heidkamp pointed out the wording would technically apply to all P-K's, nails, IP's, etc.*
- *Jim said it's a big, complex problem, and is of interest mostly to us.*
- *Brad Kramer felt the test of the law comes down to common sense and that this is a major step in the right direction to prevent neglect of major corner locations.*
- *Jim felt the presentations should be made to District Offices in an effort to gain support of survey departments and compliance with the spec book. A follow-up topic deals with utility permits and destruction of monuments. Hopefully language could be added to the permit process for installation of utilities in public right-of-way, and that counties could be encouraged to do the same.*
- *Dean Frederick asked if there had been feedback from contractors or project managers, but none had been heard of.*

6.3 State Board of Registration - Paul Dinan

- *Melinda reported that she has been attending the State Board of Registration's meetings and has been kept well informed by them about issues on the radar. President Myers will look into a replacement for Paul.*
- *Bob Akins referenced an Attorney General's opinion which allows a dual registrant to fill one of the slots on the Board intended for a PS. Melinda said this has been brought up to the Governor's Office on multiple occasions, and the AG's opinion was cited. Bob is concerned with our voice being diminished as most dual registrants make their living more on the engineer's side.*
- *Melinda's perception of the current appointee is he is asking surveying-type questions in his role; however we will submit a list of recommended candidates in the future. Jim Evans is*

*the AG's legal representative to the Board.*

- *Tim Riley suggested we do the homework and be prepared, this being an election year.*
- *Bob volunteered to work on a letter for review. Consensus was a PS also attending Board meetings would be desirable.*

6.4 OGRIP - Stu Davis

- *Not in attendance and no written report or communication at all.*

7.0 Committee Reports

7.1 Special Committees

7.11 Political Action ó Dean Frederick

- *Dean reported the Political Action Fund balance remains at \$2,884.85 for January and February. The annual auction brought in \$1,073.00 and will be reflected in the March report. No requests have been received.*

7.12 Standards - Brad Kramer

*Written report submitted.*

7.121 Change of Law Regarding Metes and Bounds - Brad Kramer

- *Past President Tim Schram from Florida requested information regarding preparation on metes and bounds descriptions by other than surveyors. We need to address this upon the five year rule review.*

7.122 Monumentation of Railroads - Brad Kramer

- *As of January, 2010, NSPS still has not found someone to support or introduce legislation to replace monuments when railroads are removed; funding may exist such as in rails-to-trails programs.*

7.123 Preservation of Monuments ó Brad Kramer

- *ODOT is working on improving practices on setting and maintaining right-of-way monuments, as we have seen at this meeting.*
- *Tim Riley gave an update on right-to-dig legislation. No hearings are scheduled yet. Tim wants to provide testimony for monumentation preservation and the need for specific locations of utilities, and invited others to attend.*
- *Melinda mentioned that particular committee has 150 bills in the queue, and nothing new is online about this legislation.*
- *Dean has been communicating with the National Underground Contractors Association (NUCA) and asking for their position.*
- *Melinda noted info has been provided to the temporary chair of the Legislative Committee for his review.*

7.124 Minimum Standards for Plats Revisions ó Brad Kramer

- *The five year review is coming up in 2013, as the last review was in 2008.*

7.125 GPS Position Standards ó Jim Kenyon

- *A meeting is scheduled for April 21 to work on the ODOT survey manual. Several months or more will be involved, with work split up among survey managers. PLSO is waiting to hear about a set of draft standards from ODOT. KY and Caltrans are working on GPS standards, too. Much has changed in GPS technology in the last few years.*

7.126 FEMA Flood Certifications ó Brad Kramer

- *As of October, 2009 paper maps are no longer available. Preble County's DFIRM went into effect March 3, 2010. There were Elevation Certificate updates in 2009 we should all be aware of.*
- *Jim Kenyon mentioned digital mapping no longer contains BMs as the datum is unknown. He feels the BMs should be on the maps along with a note stating the datum is unknown, rather than omitting the BMs altogether.*
- *Dean Frederick pointed out flood studies are on the old datum. The Flood Certificate asks for the datum.*
- *Brad heard Indiana DNR provides a BFE upon receipt of a request form, but this service is not provided in Ohio.*

- 7.13 State Line - Dean Ringle
  - *Dean was not in attendance and no written report.*
- 7.14 Historic Review ó Mike Besch and Melinda Gilpin
  - *Written report was not submitted.*
  - *Melinda said the University of Akron provided objects for an exhibit she will be setting up March 19 at the State House for National Surveyors Week. The exhibit will be up for the certificate ceremony on March 20 and removed the Monday following National Surveyors Week. Two 8-1/2 foot long cases are being provided. (Mike Besch is on his way to Egypt and hence not present this evening.)*
- 7.2 Newsletter Editor ó PLSO Staff
  - *Melinda reported that she expects the OSN to go out during the week after the certificate ceremony once pictures of the new surveyors are taken.*
  - *OSN will be posted on the Web site.*
- 7.3 NSPS Governor - Mike Besch
  - *Mike was not in attendance. Melinda said Pat submitted a report for Trig-Star and CST. Copies of the Proclamation for National Surveyors Week (added to web site after the Conference) can be picked up after the meeting.*
- 7.31 Trig-Star ó Pat Leonhardt
  - Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Brad Kramer will be giving tests; results due mid-April. Pat had a couple of requests for the test.*
- 7.32 CST Coordinator - Pat Leonhardt
  - Written Report Submitted.*
  - *One person showed at the Annual Conference to take the test, but had not applied through NSPS.*
  - *Due to no applicants at the last two seminars, the test will not be given at the Fall Seminar.*
- 7.33 Geocaching Coordinator - Bob Akins
  - *The snow has been too deep!*
- 7.4 Standing Committees
  - 7.41 Program ó Dean Frederick
    - Written Report Submitted.*
    - Dean attended the Firelands Chapter Conference Committee meeting. Rusty has a draft program ready.*
    - 7.411 Annual Conference Updates
      - 2010 - Miami Valley Chapter at Cincinnati Netherlands Hilton - 2/11-2/13 - Brad Kramer
        - *Attendance was a little lighter, but we're in the black to the tune of \$15,000. Total registration was 387 including spouses, exhibitors. All exhibitor booths were occupied.*
        - *Dean went to the Michigan Conference; attendance was low this year, with two rooms for presentations. They installed not only officers but all Chapter Delegates as they are part of the Executive Committee.*
        - *Brad thanked all those who attended and who supplied items for and participated in the auction.*
      - 2011 - Cleveland Chapter ó John Hoy
        - *John Hoy was not in attendance but had submitted a Written Report.*
        - *Delegate George Hofmann reported that they will meet March 15.*
        - *Melinda is working with them to negotiate topics.*
      - 2012 - Central Ohio Chapter - Brian Bingham
        - *Rion covered for Kevin Stacy who has been out of town.*
        - *Visits are scheduled for five sites in the next two weeks.*
      - 2013 - Cincinnati & Southwest Chapter ó Rose Coors

- *Sharonville is starting a major expansion.*
- *Melinda is to visit, check out the lodging (now with water park) and start on arrangements.*
- 7.412 Fall Seminar Updates
  - 2010 - Firelands Chapter at Kalahari Resort, Sandusky - 10/7-10/8 ó Phil Rosebeck
    - *Rusty was present earlier, and he and Melinda completed program details.*
    - *Probably a two hour Saturday session will be offered*
    - *A family add-on package will be offered separately, including some hotel specials, breakfast buffet and lunch.*
    - *President Myers noted there will be an Executive Committee meeting Thursday night.*
  - 2011 - Tuscarawas Valley Chapter - Bob Akins
    - *The hotel contract was recently signed.*
    - *The program is under construction.*
  - 2012 - Toledo Chapter ó Pat Leonhardt
    - *The hotel has been selected and Melinda will visit in two weeks to sign the final contract.*
    - *Topics will be determined once the other conference topics are finalized.*
- 7.42 Membership - Bob Akins
  - Keith Bennett, new Stark County Engineer, is going to give a talk at the local Chapter meeting.*
  - 7.421 Membership Brochure- Bob Akins
    - *The membership brochure is finished. A mass mailing of a modified version (for mailing label purposes) could be sent to every non-member PS in the State. This could be done on an annual basis; four or five new members would pay for it. A June mailing is feasible, as renewals go out in July. It would be good to keep it out in front of people. Estimated cost would be \$500-\$600 to print and mail to all non-members in Ohio.*
    - *George Hofmann asked if Chapters would also be receiving copies. Chapters would receive copies of the brochure as well.*
    - *Melinda mentioned this would be another avenue for new membership instead of relying on Chapters only to bring in new members. The brochure will also be on the PLSO web site.*
    - *Bob Akins moved to mail the membership brochure to all non-member PSs in the State; second was made by Isaac King. **Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.***
- 7.43 Interprofessional Affairs - A. J. Myers
  - *No new activity. A.J. was not in attendance and No Report submitted.*
- 7.44 Education ó Dean Frederick
  - Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Dean has not heard of any progress on forming a committee to review all the programs.*
- 7.45 Legislation - A. J. Myers
  - *President Myers mentioned all legislative issues have already been discussed this evening. There is not a lot of activity right now.*
  - *Melinda said the on-site household septic issue will rear its head this year. A moratorium will expire and there will be some type of movement.*
- 7.46 Finance - Paul Dinan
  - *No Written Report submitted.*
- 7.47 Past Presidents Council ó Dean Frederick
  - Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Once a test review date is known a meeting can be arranged and topics of*

- discussion determined.
- 7.48 Scholarship ó Rocky Lomano
- *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *President Myers said that the by-laws are passed to accommodate the Columbus Foundation's requirements. The next step is to hammer our applications and guidelines. Some of our guidelines were problematic. Forms have to go out this month to the schools.*
  - *The application is simplified to clarify the major, and to indicate which scholarship is being sought.*
  - *Eligibility criteria of only allowing members to apply is a "closed process" and is a "red flag" to the IRS. Membership has been moved to the weighting part in the selection criteria.*
  - *Donors (i.e., by definition, active PLSO members) need to be a minority in the selection process. The Columbus Foundation requires us to be IRS compliant if we are to use their services. The key is to have someone not affiliated with PLSO to be on the selection team.*
  - *President Myers stressed this does not affect how Chapters are dealing with their scholarships, but it may be wise to consider these points.*
  - *Melinda pointed out we can suggest impartial candidates for the selection process, and could work with OSPE as they will also need impartial appointees. We do not want to expose PLSO to legal liability.*
- 7.49 Scholarship Fund Board ó Frank Snyder
- *No written report. President Myers noted no change other than the appointment of Ed Miller.*
  - *They will still have the say on the amount and number of scholarships awarded each year.*
- 7.50 Management Review ó Rion Myers
- *No report.*
- 8.0 Chapter Delegate Reports
- 8.1 Askega Chapter ó Jim Donathan
- *Written Report Submitted - no additional comments.*
- 8.2 Central Ohio Chapter ó Brian Bingham
- *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *President Myers mentioned the Central Ohio Chapter is doing one hour CPDs at each meeting for ten CPDs this year, and all are lined up for the year. Some members cannot afford state events.*
- 8.3 Cincinnati Chapter - Bob Heidkamp
- *Written Report Submitted. Bob mentioned the Hamilton County Commissioners are recognizing National Surveyors Week by proclamation.*
- 8.4 Cleveland Chapter ó George Hofmann
- *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *George said the Chapter will have a total of six seminars this year, with 1.5 credit hours at each one.*
- 8.5 Congress Lands Chapter - Isaac King
- *No Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Isaac reported they had a meeting recently with about 13 attending, and joked someone from the Executive Committee attended (President-Elect Brett Tieben is a Chapter member!).*
- 8.6 Firelands Chapter ó Tim Riley
- *No Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Tim said John Hancock presented at the Chapter meeting, speaking on historical maps from just after the Revolutionary War to the settlement of northern Ohio, for one CPD.*
- 8.7 Miami Valley Chapter ó Harry Herbst

- *Written Report Submitted. Harry had called and regrets not being able to attend due to family health issues.*
- 8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter ó Jim Kenyon
  - *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Jim reported at their last meeting the active members were “coerced” to become officers.*
- 8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter ó Rob Lowe
  - *Written Report Submitted - Not in attendance.*
- 8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter -
  - *No Written Report Submitted, Not in Attendance.*
  - *Dean mentioned the Chapter is active with good attendance and CPD events, but no one is willing to travel to the Executive Committee meetings. Barb sent an email with the Executive Committee attachments and mentioned representation was important according to the Constitution, but received no response.*
  - *Tim Riley asked if a web meeting could be used to eliminate the drive to Columbus. President Myers said this has been discussed numerous times and factors would include desirability of a physical presence and availability and use of technology at the Chapter level. How would a quorum be determined?*
  - *Jim Donathan suggested meeting at regional areas such as Cleveland to shorten driving distance.*
  - *Dean brought up that we are getting this room for free, and adding AV would require expense and/or change of meeting location.*
- 8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter ó Dominic Brigano
  - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter ó Al Smith
  - *No Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Al reported an article has been prepared for newspapers for National Surveyors Week.*
  - *A seminar is being planned mid-May at Theo’s Restaurant in Cambridge.*
  - *Larry Gardner says “hi” and is under medication and treatments and is working when he can.*
- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter ó George Seymour
  - *No Written Report Submitted, not in attendance.*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter - Rose Coors
  - *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Had an hour CPD last night; Cinci next week.*
  - *Trying to work out a four hour Saturday session, maybe another in the fall.*
  - *Working on scholarship with Cincinnati, Indiana and northern Kentucky Chapters.*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter - John Francis
  - *No Written Report Submitted.*
  - *John reported there has not been a meeting since about October; he talked to the President about it and got assigned to be Delegate again.*
- 8.16 The University of Akron Student Chapter ó Luke Walker
  - *Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Luke said the competition team is working on their report, and he expressed appreciation for everyone’s support.*
  - *The Chapter is still in need of funding. An email concerning this has been sent to Chapter Delegates.*
- 8.17 Toledo Chapter ó Bryan Ellis
  - *No Written Report Submitted.*
  - *Dean said there will be a CPD meeting March 16 by the Sheriff on safety issues, such as protection from feuding neighbors.*
- 8.18 Treaty Lands Chapter - John Jauert
  - *No Written Report Submitted – Not in attendance.*
- 8.19 Tuscarawas Valley Chapter ó Dave Bodo
  - *Written Report Submitted.*

- *Dave reported they have created a program committee for each chapter meeting and feels it will make a big difference.*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter ó Rick Hunsicker
  - *No Written Report Submitted - Not in attendance.*
- 9.0 President-Elect's Report ó Brett Tieben
  - *Brett attended the West Virginia Convention in Morgantown in February.*
  - *One topic was surveying in mines. A separate certificate is required for underground surveying. No EDMs are permitted due to possible spark, so theodolites are used. Sometimes there is 26" top and the instrument is set up on a 2x4.*
  - *Another topic was "In the Crosshairs" on liability; the State Board is comprised of PE/PSs – no PSs only.*
  - *The County Surveyor needs not to be licensed in WV. There is no County Engineer. (Brad mentioned the same is true in Indiana.)*
  - *Surveys are not checked and go directly to the County Recorder.*
  - *WV does have right of entry and statute of limitations legislation.*
- 10.0 PLSO Staff Report ó Melinda Gilpin and Barb Jones
  - *Most has already been discussed.*
  - *Right now the Calendar is the only section of the web site that we can update.*
  - *The new BLM books can be picked up tonight; all sold out. We do not know when more will be available or at what price.*
  - *Conference planning has been a focus.*
  - *President Myers expressed our deepest condolences to Melinda upon her recent loss. Melinda thanked all for calls, wishes and cards.*
- 11.0 President's Report ó Rion Myers
  - *All has been discussed.*
- 12.0 Adjourn
  - *Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM after a motion by Brian Bingham and second by Isaac King.*

*March 12, 2010 Minutes respectfully submitted by Donald E. Pickenpaugh, P.S., PLSO Executive Secretary, 2010*