

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

Location: **COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL**

Date: **FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2013, 6:00 P.M.**

ALL REPORTS WERE TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED IN WRITING

- 1.0 Call to Order & Devotions – President George Hofmann
 - *President Hofmann called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.*
 - *President Hofmann led the attendees in devotions.*
- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – President George Hofmann
 - *President Hofmann led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance*
- 1.2 Introduction of Visitors – President George Hofmann
 - *No Visitors*
- 1.3 Seating of Alternate Chapter Delegates (written authorization necessary)
 - *Mike Besch (Western Reserve)*
 - *Ann Besch (Akron University)*
 - *Tim Gieger (Central Ohio)*
 - *Ryan Hillard (Miami Valley)*
 - *Tim Detrick (Ohio Valley)*
- 1.4 Determination of Quorum
 - *Roll Call was taken. 5 of 6 Officers, and 15 of 20 Delegates were present at the beginning of the meeting. Immediate Past President Don Pickenpaugh and past president Frank Snyder was present.*
 - *Executive Director Melinda Gilpin and Financial Administrator Donna Bates were present.*
 - *It was determined that there was a quorum at the start of the meeting with 22 voting members present exceeding the minimum 15 voting members needed for a quorum.*
- 1.5 Agenda Changes
 - *No Changes*
- 2.0 Acceptance of Secretary's Minutes for April 12, 2013 – Stephen McCall
 - ***A motion to accept the Secretary's Minutes from April 12, 2013. with a correction of section 2.0, Stephen McCall gave the report not Brian Bingham Motion made by Tom Snezek and Seconded by Tim Gieger.***
 - *No discussion presented.*
 - ***A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.***
- 3.0 Treasurer's Reports for March, 2013 – Bryan Ellis
 - *A copy of the Treasurer's Reports was distributed.*

- *Treasurer Bryan Ellis presented the Treasurer's reports and briefly highlighted some items.*
- *Mrs. Gilpin answered several questions concerning the year end totals and was happy to report a turnaround from a \$7700 lost last year to a \$6000 surplus not including the \$10,000 cancellation fee from the cancellation of the conference hotel. Everyone was very pleased with the work that was done to make this year's budget.*
- *The Treasurer's Report for May and June was accepted for the Financial Committee Review.*

4.0 Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was discussed.

5.0 New Business

5.1 New Members – Robert Akins

- *Mr. Akins presented four names for new membership*
- *4 Professional - Charles T. Smith (Scioto Valley) - Reinstatement
Phil Y. Shih (Central Ohio) – Reinstatement
Jerry L. Ryser (Central Ohio) - Reinstatement
Steve Stolte (Central Ohio) - Reinstatement*
- *1 Student - Brandon M. Roach (University of Akron)*

- ***A motion to accept the new member applications of 4 Professional members, and 1 Student member***
- ***Motion made by Robert Akins and Seconded by Ken Taylor***
- *No discussion was presented.*
- ***A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.***

- ***A motion to accept the 1 Retired and 3 life Membership endorsements.***

- ***Ronald Wentling – Retired***
- ***Steve L. Gardner – Life***
- ***David Laird – Life***
- ***John E. Rees - Life***

- ***Motion made by Robert Akins and Seconded by Ken Taylor***
- *No discussion was presented.*
- ***A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.***

6.0 Inter-Association Delegates

6.1 CEAO - Dean Ringle

- *No Report*

6.2 ODOT - Jim Kenyon

- *No Report*

6.3 State Board of Registration – Melinda Gilpin

- *The State Board will be meeting next week. An update of rules and computer based testing will be discussed. The house and senate have not passed the committee yet, but plan on movement soon with the budget work completed.*

6.4 OGRIP – Dean Ringle

- *No Report*

7.0 Committee Reports

7.1 Special Committees

7.11 Political Action – Dana Parsell

- *No Report –*

7.12 Standards - Brad Kramer

- *No Report*

7.13 State Line - Dean Ringle

- *No Report*

7.14 Historic Review – Mike Besch

- *No Report*

7.15 Constitution Review - Don Pickenpaugh

- *The Past Presidents Council met on Friday 21, 2013 at the Franklin County Engineer's Office and a report was submitted. The constitutional updates and the timeline for these changes were discussed. The proposed changes were disseminated to the executive committee. A majority of the membership are needed along with a 2/3 vote by the executive membership. The NSPS vote is not part of the constitutional changes and is a separate issue to be voted on. A proposal of a hybrid Electronic/Mail voting was presented. The advantages for this method are numerous and will save PLSO money. The ballot will have the constitutional ballot and also a NSPS ballot. Mrs. Gilpin covered the voting process and also many of the questions concerning multiple votes and receiving a ballot. **A discussion to combine all constitutional amendments followed and a motion was made to send all of them to the membership to vote on each change individually by Lynn Snyder and was Second by Ann Besch.** The ballot will be sent around August 1st. 30 days is allowed for the voting so results should be ready by September executive meeting.*

7.2 Newsletter Editor – PLSO Staff

- *A new OSN will be sent out soon. The OSN will now look like a magazine and will not be a newsletter. Everyone should look at the new format. Articles should be submitted as soon as possible. Photos are also requested for the new format. The eNews is normally sent out the week following the Executive meetings.*

7.3 NSPS Governor – Robert Akins

- *Mr. Akins discussed that 2/3 of the states have made changes for the 100% membership participation with NSPS. Twenty-two states have already made the necessary changes and adopted the 100% NSPS membership. Ten states have approved the MOU and plan on passing it shortly. Most of these states did not need the constitutional or bi law*

*revisions needed for this change. Information for the NSPS will be posted on the web page for everyone to look at it. Mr. Akins can be called to answer any questions concerning the information presented. Mr. Akins communicated his response to a letter addressing the NSPS changes. The comments will be passed on in the OSN and hopefully will provide enough information to formulate a passing vote. Discussion of the additional cost and the national organization's presence was made by several members. A vote of confidence of the executive members was requested by Mr. Akins to show the membership how important it is to pass the NSPS participation. The executive board already passed a motion to send the NSPS membership participation to the PLSO members for a vote in March. PLSO will have a vote on the board of Governors if this passes. The discussion of having a vote and the ability for financial review of the NSPS organization will be possible with the acceptance. **A motion was made by Mr. Akins for the executive committee to show support of the 100% NSPS membership proposal. A second was made by Lynn Snyder.** Discussion followed with many points of concerns and support. Ohio has a MOU that would allow PLSO to back out if issues would arise. Financial considerations and possibilities that would develop with a loss of membership were considered. The budget for next year will have to address any changes and will need to be closely monitored. **A verbal vote was taken and the motion passed 19 in favor and 3 against.***

7.31 Trig Star – Pat Leonhardt

- *Director Gilpin reported a written support was submitted. The national Trig Star committee met today in Columbus with Mrs. Gilpin to help grade the test and tally the national results. The results will be sent out in the OSN*

7.32 CST Coordinator - Pat Leonhardt

- *No Report*

7.33 Geocaching Coordinator - Dana Parsell

- *No Report*

7.4 Standing Committees

7.41 Program – Dean Frederick

- *No Report*

7.411 Annual Conference Updates

- 2014 – Feb. 12 – 15, 2014 - Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky, OH
Cleveland, Cleveland Chapter – Ken Hejduk, Chapter Chair
The committees are working and they are covering all the changes to the facility.
- 2015 – Feb. 11-14, 2015 - Renaissance Hotel Downtown, Columbus,
Central Ohio Chapter- Kevin Stacy, Chapter Chair
- 2016 – Feb 10 – 13, 2016 - Marriott, Dayton, Miami Valley Chapter
- Brad Kramer, Chapter Chair

7.412 Fall Seminar Updates

- 2013 – Oct. 10 – 11, 2013 – Cherry Valley Lodge Newark, OH, Program Committee
 - *The Program is almost complete. Registration will be available July 1st and will be in the summer edition of the Ohio Surveyor's News*
- 2014 – Oct. 16-18, 2014 - Great Wolf Lodge, Mason, OH, Program Committee
- 2015 – Oct.8 – 10, 2015 - Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky, OH
Program Committee

7.413 Workshop Updates

- *Workshops have doubled and will plan a few additional workshops to help with the end of the year procrastination of CPDs*

7.42 Membership - Robert Akins

- *Report Submitted –*

7.43 Interprofessional Affairs - A. J. Myers

- *Report Received –*

7.44 Education - Dean Frederick

- *No Report*

7.45 Legislation – Bryan Ellis

- *Waiting on the language on the proposal to be completed for the computerized testing and hope to have more items addressed as soon as the House and Senate reconvene.*

7.46 Finance –

- *President Hofmann reported that the committee met this afternoon to review the previous months and the year end reports. The committee was extremely pleased with the last year's budget and how the numbers came in for the yearly report. The exceptional work done by Mrs. Gilpin and the staff on the workshops was the main reason the finances came out so well.*

7.47 Past Presidents Council – Dana Parsell

- *No Report - Meeting set for June 21 at the Franklin County Engineer's Office*

7.48 Scholarship – Rocky Lomano

- *Report Received- Applications have been received for this year and will be reviewed. . A total of four applications were received from Akron University and two from OSU which will qualify for part time scholarships. The full time \$2000 scholarships were awarded to Joshua Carpenter, John DeChant and Jake Korngable. The part time \$1000 scholarships we will be given to Phillip Schaeffer and Jacob Schroeder. The application for the student who was unsuccessful was forwarded to local chapters who also give scholarships.*

7.49 Scholarship Fund Board – Frank Snyder

- *Written report submitted.*

7.50 Fundraising – Barney Spontak

- Written Report submitted.
- 7.51 Communications Committee – Brian Bingham
 - *Met with Mrs. Gilpin concerning the OSN changes and also the webpage changes. Discussion was made to maintain the current practice of proposed job postings and positions to be in the membership only section. Everyone thought it should be available for the members and let other web pages handle any public postings.*
- 7.52 Management Review – George Hofmann
 - *No Report*

8.0 Chapter Delegate Reports

- 8.1 Askega Chapter – Michael Jones
 - *No Report*
- 8.2 Central Ohio Chapter – Jeffrey “Barney” Spontak
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.3 Cincinnati Chapter - Bob Heidkamp
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.4 Cleveland Chapter – Tom Snezek
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.5 Congress Lands Chapter – Isaac King
 - *Verbal Report Given*
- 8.6 Firelands Chapter - John Hancock
 - *No Report*
- 8.7 Miami Valley Chapter – Brad Kramer
 - *Verbal Report given -The Tripod golf outing is scheduled for July 19 at Sugar Isle Golf Course and the annual picnic will be held at Rotary Park in Huber Heights.*
- 8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter – Lynn Snyder/Jim Kenyon
 - *No Report*
- 8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter – Charlie Harkness
 - *No Report*
- 8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter – Michael Lenhart
 - *No Report*
- 8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter – Steven Ostrowski
 - *No Report*
- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter – Vince Dowdle
 - *No Report*

- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter – Brig Mitton
- *Written Report Submitted-*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter - Rose Coors
- *A joint meeting will be held with the Cincinnati chapter next week.*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter -
- *No Delegate*
- 8.16 Toledo Chapter – Ken Taylor
- *No Report*
- 8.17 Treaty Lands Chapter – James Myers
- *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.18 Tuscarawas Valley Chapter - Curt Deibel
- *Last meeting was cancelled.*
- 8.19 The University of Akron Student Chapter – Ann Besch
- *Report Given – Akron graduated 14 surveyors last year and a concern is that enrollment is now down.*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter – John Francis
- *Verbal Report Given – Annual picnic will be September 14 more info will be coming.*
- 9.0 President-Elect’s Report – Brian Bingham
- *President-Elect Bingham has been working on the Constitution review and update. Met with the Financial committee. The communication’s committee also worked on several issues.*
- 10.0 PLSO Staff Report – Melinda Gilpin
- *Executive Director Gilpin and staff are very busy with workshop and preparing for the 2014 annual conference and with the change of venue.*

Donna added that this is Lynn and her second year and they are very happy to be working for PLSO and Mrs. Gilpin. She said that PLSO is very fortunate to have Mrs. Gilpin and that she is doing great work.
- 11.0 President’s Report – George Hofmann
- *Has been part of the constitution review and is working on the MOU with NSPS. Mr. Hofmann also was involved with the financial review committee and will be helping to review the proposed constitutional changes and ballots.*
- 12.0 Adjourn

- ***A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Snezek and Seconded by Lynn Snyder.***
- *The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.*

July 12, 2013 Minutes respectfully submitted by Stephen McCall, PE, PS, PLSO Executive Secretary-2013.