

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

Location: **COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL**
Date: **FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2014, 6:00 P.M.**

ALL REPORTS WERE TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED IN WRITING

- 1.0 Call to Order & Devotions – President Brian Bingham
 - *President Bingham called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.*
 - *President Bingham led the attendees in devotions.*
- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – President Brian Bingham
 - *President Bingham led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance*
- 1.2 Introduction of Visitors – President Brian Bingham
 - *No guest visitors present*
- 1.3 Seating of Alternate Chapter Delegates (written authorization necessary)
 - *Steve Cahill, Cincinnati Chapter, Ken Taylor, Toledo Chapter, Brad Kramer, Miami Valley Chapter*
- 1.4 Determination of Quorum
 - *Roll Call was taken. 6 of 6 Officers, and 14 of 20 Delegates were present at the beginning of the meeting. Past President Don Pickenpaugh and Past President Dean Ringle and Past President Brad Kramer were present.*
 - *Executive Director Melinda Gilpin was present.*
 - *It was determined that there was a quorum at the start of the meeting with 21 voting members present exceeding the minimum 15 voting members needed for a quorum.*
- 1.5 Agenda Changes
 - *No agenda changes required*
- 2.0 Acceptance of Secretary's Minutes for January 10, 2014 – Brian Bingham/Steve McCall
 - *A motion was presented to accept the Secretary's Minutes from the January 10, 2014 meeting as amended with a call to add the ratification of Keith R. Kezeminski as Associate Member under 5.1.*
 - *Motion made by George Hofmann and Seconded by Don Pickenpaugh.*
 - *No discussion presented.*
 - *A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.*

3.0 Treasurer's Reports for January and February, 2014 – Robert Patridge/Melinda Gilpin

- *A copy of the January and February Treasurer's Reports was distributed.*
- *Treasurer Robert Patridge, with the assistance of director Gilpin, reported that additional phone expense were noted as part of the changing office services to new provider. Budget is in the black.*
- *The January and February financial reports were accepted for Financial Committee Review.*

4.0 Unfinished Business

Immediate Past President, George Hofmann made a presentation of the "Presidential Merit Award" to Don Pickenpaugh for his services in chairing the Constitution Review Committee. He performed an excellent job and all were thankful with a round of applause.

5.0 New Business

5.1 New Members – Robert Akins

- Mr. Akins presented the 9 professional members, 3 affiliate, 3 associate and 16 student member's nominations.

New Professional members

<i>Jerome D. Brunner</i>	<i>- Thomas Hutchins</i>
<i>Matthew S. Smith</i>	<i>- Southwest</i>
<i>David M. Baker</i>	<i>- Thomas Hutchins</i>
<i>James Dale Barnes</i>	<i>- Firelands</i>
<i>George D. Hadden</i>	<i>- Askega</i>
<i>Paul R. Couch</i>	<i>- Western Reserve</i>
<i>Joseph Carleson</i>	<i>- Tuscarawas Valley</i>
<i>Jeffrey C. Jalbrzikowski</i>	<i>- Out-of-State</i>
<i>Allen J. Bertke</i>	<i>- Treaty Lands</i>

New Affiliate Members

<i>Nathan L. Cottrill</i>	<i>- Central Ohio</i>
<i>John P. Lynch</i>	<i>- Out of State</i>
<i>Lauren N. Williams</i>	<i>- Thomas Hutchins</i>

New Associate Members

<i>Scott A. Strahley</i>	<i>- Toledo, Northwest Ohio</i>
<i>Jason L. Copeland</i>	<i>- Western Reserve</i>
<i>Justin H. Niese</i>	<i>- Northwest Ohio</i>

New Student Members

<i>Shawn S. Banner</i>	<i>- University of Akron</i>	<i>Martin T. Serafine</i>	<i>- University of Akron</i>
<i>Cade C. LaLonde</i>	<i>- Northwest Ohio</i>	<i>Joe Bryson</i>	<i>- Cincinnati</i>
<i>Markeith McBee</i>	<i>- Cincinnati</i>	<i>Belden Rowley</i>	<i>- Cincinnati</i>
<i>Thomas Brodbeck</i>	<i>- Cincinnati</i>	<i>Thomas L. Barker</i>	<i>- University of Akron</i>
<i>Jacqueline Gary-Wysin</i>	<i>- University of Akron</i>	<i>Kai H. Kallio</i>	<i>- University of Akron</i>

Jacob N. Kelly - *University of Akron* **Jason K. Laughery** - *University of Akron*
John P. Long - *University of Akron* **Travis J. Weekley** - *University of Akron*
Kevin A. Strauser - *University of Akron* **Jonathan M. Hayes** - *University of Akron*

*A motion to accept was made by Robert Akins and seconded by Ken Taylor.
A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.*

- Mr. Akins presented the 3 Life member nominations
Stephen Okuley - Northwest Ohio
Herbert Behrman - Northwest Ohio
Merlin Butler - Northwest Ohio

*A motion to accept was made by Robert Akins and seconded by Ken Taylor.
A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously*

5.2 Review of Special Committees - Brian Bingham

President Brian Bingham announced that;

- *The P.A.C. Committee will continue to be chaired by George Hofmann*
- *The Standards Committee will continue to be Chaired by Brad Kramer*
- *The State Line Committee will continue to be Chaired by Dean Ringle*
- *The Historical Review Committee will continue to be Chaired by Mike Besch*
- *He released Don Pickenpaugh from his duties as Chair of the Constitution Review Committee*

5.3 Appointment of a member to the Scholarship Fund Board – Brian Bingham

- *Reappointed Tom Silva to another five year term to the Scholarship Fund Board*

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

- Director Gilpin reported that they have appointed a new Board Member. Mr. Dean Ringle has accepted that appointment. Mr. Ringle stated that David Cox has also been appointed. He stated that both Fundamental Exams are now Computer based and will be offered quarterly, while the Professional exams will remain written and offered twice per year.

6.4 OGRIP – Dean Ringle - No Report

7.0 Committee Reports

7.1 Special Committees

7.11 Political Action – George Hofmann

- *No written Report –*

Beginning balance = \$2323.35

*Dispersments include Bank Fees and Fund Raiser Donations.
Also there was Conference Donation income.*

Ending Balance = \$2117.35

George Hofmann discussed the need for the membership to step-up and donate to this worthy cause. He donated a \$50.00 check and President Bingham followed suit.

7.12 Standards - Brad Kramer

- No written Report. He asked for the membership to offer any comments or suggestions to update O.R.C. Section #4733 which was last updated in 2003. He will take comments and incorporate them into a draft for the P.L.S.O. Board to review. Email comments to; bradkramer@kramer2000.com

7.13 State Line - Dean Ringle - No Report

7.14 Historic Review – Mike Besch - No Report

- Director Gilpin added that the Rendezvous will be in Mobil Alabama this year.

7.15 Constitution Review - Don Pickenpaugh

- The committee has been released and Mr. Pickenpaugh was thanked for a job well done.

7.2 Newsletter Editor – PLSO Staff

*- E-News will go out on Monday the 17th.
- OSN will be going to the printer Tuesday or Wednesday of next week*

7.3 NSPS Governor – Robert Akins

- Mr. Akins reminded all that the week of Sunday March 16 through Saturday March 22 is National Surveyors Week. N.S.P.S. is sponsoring a program for a monument observations program. Their web-site has information on how to perform the observations and how to submit them.
Mr. Akins stated that as of now there are 44 states who have entered into the 100% N.S.P.S. membership program.
Next month he will be in San Diego for the spring national meeting.
Discussed issue of the Directorship Position and the Governors position being combined. Most states have combined them. The combined position will carry one vote. President Bingham appointed him to be the combined Director/Governor*

7.31 Nation Surveyor Week – Robert Akins/Director Gilpin

- Suggested putting an article in your local paper. She has samples if needed. Try to promote this event in your area.*

7.32 Trig Star – Pat Leonhardt
- *Written report submitted. Tests are available. Contact him to set one up in your chapter.*

7.33 CST Coordinator - Pat Leonhardt
- *Written report submitted, No activity*

7.34 Geocaching Coordinator - Dana Parsell
- *No Report Submitted. After discussion, President Bingham closed the committee.*

7.4 Standing Committees

7.41 Program – Kevin Stacy/Director Gilpin
- *No Report. Director Gilpin stated that the will have a committee meeting later this month and will have an update for the April meeting.*

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 Conference went very well. Approximately 400 in attendance counting officers and exhibitors, (this represent 100 more than we had in 2011)

2015 – Feb. 11-14, 2015 - Renaissance Hotel Downtown, Columbus,
Central Ohio Chapter- Kevin Stacy, Chapter Chair
Going well. End of the month they will review program and speakers.

2016 – Feb 10 – 13, 2016 - Marriott, Dayton, Miami Valley Chapter
- Brad Kramer, Chapter Chair
On track.

7.412 Fall Seminar Updates

2014 – Oct. 16-18, 2014 - Great Wolf Lodge, Mason, OH, Program Committee
Registration starts Wednesday, the 15th., Jeff Ellison is chairing. Great speakers including Steve Cahill and Jeff Lucas. Classes will be Thursday and Friday. They will meet with the facility later this month.

2015 – Oct.8 – 10, 2015 - Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky, OH
Program Committee

7.413 Workshop Updates

- *Director Gilpin will set up a refresher workshop in April at the Columbus State facilities. Probable workshops in Mid-May and June.*

7.42 Membership - Robert Akins
- *No Report*

7.43 Interprofessional Affairs - A. J. Myers

- *No Report*

7.44 Education – Steve Cahill

- *Will be setting committee soon. Asked for advice and direction on setting up his committee. President Bingham gave some direction to get him started. Discussion of what educational programs are available at various state universities and colleges. Discussed the development of a state map showing which education facilities offer surveying related programs or courses and how they relate to the chapters of P.L.S.O. His goal for the coming year is to use his knowledge of the T.S.A.B. as a guide to develop his program. His main goal will be to promote Chapter involvement. Dean Ringle suggested using the state board's data base for a source of universities providing education through the licensing approval process. Foresees the Chapters being more involved in supporting students active in educational facilities within or near their chapters.*

7.45 Legislation – Dean Ringle

- *Discussed the opportunity to move on the “Statue of Limitations” bill. Time is critical and the need for additional lobbying efforts is evident. The cost of an additional lobbyist for two months would be approximately \$10,000. This bill, if passed, has the best return on investment for the benefit of the surveying community. If this short window is missed, it is probable that the opportunity to enact this legislation will be pushed a couple of years away. Senator Seitz has the language for the bill. If we move now it has a good chance to make it into the M.B.R. We must retrieve the language and get this issue in front of the legislative committee.
No hiring of a lobbyist will occur until the language is reviewed. The legislative committee can approve the language without coming back to the board.
A motion was made by George Hofmann, and seconded by Tom Snezek to approve the hiring of a lobbyist for two months at a not to exceed price of \$10,000.*

- *Discussion was heard to fund this effort out of the money Market funds.*

- *The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

7.46 Finance – George Hofmann

- *Reported that he reviewed the financials for January and February earlier today with Director Gilpin. Some minor coding changes are required but the report is in good shape.*

7.47 Past Presidents Council – George Hofmann

- *No Report -*

7.48 Scholarship – Rocky Lomano

- *Written Report Submitted. Director Gilpin reported that they will be sending out scholarship applications to student in April after spring breaks. They are due on May 1st.*

7.49 Scholarship Fund Board – Frank Snyder

No Report

7.50 Fundraising – Barney Spontak

- *Written Report Submitted*

7.51 Communications Committee – Steve McCall

- *No report*

7.52 Management Review – Brian Bingham

- *Will review the staff in September as per past practices. Looking into updating the language of the Directors letter of intent. Celebrated Melinda's five year anniversary with flowers.*

8.0 Chapter Delegate Reports

8.1 Askega Chapter – Michael Jones

- *No report submitted*

8.2 Central Ohio Chapter – Josh Meyer

- *Written Report Submitted*

8.3 Cincinnati Chapter - Bob Heidkamp

- *Written Report Submitted. Added the loss of a past member, Charlie Samson died. Formerly very active member. Hamilton and Butler Counties considering de-registration of lands.*

8.4 Cleveland Chapter – Mike Ackerman, Alternate Delegate

- *Written Report submitted*

8.5 Congress Lands Chapter – Isaac King

- *Verbal Report submitted*

8.6 Firelands Chapter - John Hancock

- *Written Report Submitted*

8.7 Miami Valley Chapter – Brad Kramer

- *Verbal Report given – Looking forward to hosting Annual Conference in Dayton.*

8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter – Lynn Snyder/Jim Kenyon

- *Written Report Submitted. Will meet next on Thursday 3/20*

8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter – Charlie Harkness

- *No Report submitted*

8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter – Michael Lenhart

- *Written Report submitted*

8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter – Steven Ostrowski

- *Dean Ringle reported they will be preparing for ASE Ohio Valley competitions.*

- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter – Don Pickenpaugh
 - *Written Report Submitted. They're working on updating their constitution.*
- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter – Brig Mitton
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter – Eric Lutz
 - *No Report*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter – Tin Schram
 - *Written Report submitted*
- 8.16 Toledo Chapter – Mike Estep
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.17 Treaty Lands Chapter – James Myers
 - *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.18 Tuscarawas Valley Chapter - Curt Deibel
 - *Written Report Submitted. Awarded two scholarships at their February meeting. 2 – \$1000.*
- 8.19 The University of Akron Student Chapter – Jake Korngable
 - *No Report submitted*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter – Clyde Mason
 - *No Report submitted*
- 9.0 President-Elect's Report – Steve McCall
 - *President-Elect McCall reported attending the Finance Committee review. Via emails reviewed staff issues and document revisions. Asked for any comments or concerns on Legislative issues.*
- 10.0 PLSO Staff Report – Melinda Gilpin
 - *Reported that it's been very busy with the loss of a staff member and thanked everyone for their support. Changed phone systems and updated operation with I.T. After review earlier today with the executive members she will make an offer to a potential candidate for replacement of the staff member lost. Hope's to have a replacement in place in three weeks.*
- 11.0 President's Report – Brian Bingham
 - *Has had a very busy first month. Attended the Michigan conference. He sat in on their Legislative Committee meeting. They are very active with efforts such as a re-monumentation bill and electronic seal/signature issues. Their continuing education laws went into effect this year and they have a lot of questions. Attended the Central Ohio Chapter meeting a couple weeks ago. He is planning to attend as many chapter meeting as possible over the coming months. Asked for chapters to*

forward their schedules so he can plan ahead. Met with Finance and Legislative committees earlier today. Tomorrow he will attend the certification ceremony in Columbus.

12.0 Adjourn

- ***A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Akins and Seconded by George Hofmann.***
- ***No Discussion***
- ***The motion passed unanimously.***

- ***The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.***

March 14, 2014 Minutes respectfully submitted by Thomas M. Snezek, PS, PLSO Executive Secretary-2014.