

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

Location: **COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL**
Date: **FRIDAY, MAY 9, 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 6:03 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)
 - *Western Reserve Chapter, Ken Taylor, Cleveland Chapter, Mike Ackerman*
- 1.4 Determination of Quorum
 - *Roll Call was taken. 5 of 6 Officers, and 12 of 20 Delegates were present at the beginning of the meeting.*
 - *Executive Director Melinda Gilpin was present.*
 - *It was determined that there was a quorum at the start of the meeting with 17 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 April 11, 2014 – Tom Snezek
 - *A motion was presented to accept the Secretary's Minutes from the April 11, 2014 meeting as amended.*
 - *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 April, 2014 – Melinda Gilpin
 - *A copy of the April Treasurer's Reports was distributed.*
 - *Treasurer Robert Patridge was not in attendance, Director Gilpin, reported that she and George Hofmann completed a review and the financial status looks good. She expects to end the fiscal year in good shape*
 - *Accepted by President Bingham for Financial Committee review.*

4.0 Unfinished Business

No unfinished business reported.

5.0 New Business

5.1 New Members – Robert Akins

- Mr. Akins reported on one new Affiliate Member –

- Joanne Logozzo, Ohio Valley Chapter.

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

6.0 Inter-Association Delegates

6.1 CEAO - Dean Ringle -

Mr. Ringle was not present but sent along the news that Issue 1 for road and bridge bonding passed state wide by over 60%. Director Gilpin announced that P.L.S.O. will have a booth at the upcoming Land Records Conference.

6.2 ODOT - Jim Kenyon -

No Report received.

6.3 State Board of Registration – Melinda Gilpin

- Director Gilpin reporting for Dean Ringle reported that the next meeting will be on May 27nd.

6.4 OGRIP – Dean Ringle -

- Don Pickenpaugh reporting for Dean Ringle noted that the OSIP 2 has been completed. Expected delivery in December. Jeff Smith from OGRIP will be a presenter at the Fall Conference and will provide an update on the OSIP Program.

7.0 Committee Reports

7.1 Special Committees

7.11 Political Action – George Hofmann

- No written Report –
Beginning balance = \$2264.35
After bank fees.
Ending Balance = \$2261.35

7.12 Standards - Brad Kramer

- No Report received.

7.13 State Line - Dean Ringle –

- Reporting for Dean Ringle President Bingham reported that a state line monument along the Michigan/Ohio line had been lost.

7.14 Historic Review – Mike Besch –

-The Surveyors' Historical Society is looking at restructuring their organization and as approached PLSO ED Gilpin regarding possibly assisting with that process. President Bingham tabled discussion of the issue, and charged the Management Review Committee to oversee any PLSO interests regarding the executive director. The Employee Handbook contains provisions for outside employment of PLSO staff, and the MRC will manage the issue per their committee responsibilities. Any further information will be shared with the EC as deemed appropriate by MRC

-Mr. Besch discussed plans to improve Fort Steuben in Steubenville, Ohio. The goal is to establish a permanent museum which will offer a great historical opportunity to learn about the history of the settlement of Ohio and promoting the profession of surveying. He invited all to the Ohio Valley Festival Days on June 7th and 8th.

7.2 Newsletter Editor – PLSO Staff

- Director Gilpin anticipates the issuance of the next newsletter to be on May 19th. She hopes to have photos of the new Culver-Davies base-line dedication ceremony available for that publication.

7.3 NSPS Governor – Robert Akins

- *Mr. Akins reported on the NSPS Spring meeting in San Diego, California.*
 - *He submitted a five page summary report on the sessions he attended, activities offered and major issues addressed at the four day event.*
 - *He reviewed the report briefly and asked that anyone having questions and/or comments contact him directly.*
 - *He attended a 3.5 hour membership meeting to "word-smith" the new by-laws for the NSPS structure. This issue is just getting started with a lot more to come.*
 - *He will be serving on a membership benefits committee and asked anyone for ideas and comments.*
 - *He issued for review the Joint Government Affairs, "JGA-1" report.*
 - *Melinda Gilpin has been elected one of two NSPS Governors/Directors to represent the state societies. She will represent the State Executives Forum to NSPS for a 2 year term.*

- *Melinda Gilpin has been chosen as one of the two leaders of the "State Executive Forum." An important group helping to guide the direction of NSPS as it coordinates with all the state member groups.*

- *NSPS will look into developing new certification programs that work with the states. Areas such as flood certification, ALTA certification, etc. may be developed to the benefit of surveying practices and both NSPS and the states could receive financial support from these programs.*
- *Discussions held on developing a national speaker's web-site.*
- *Current NSPS budget is \$875,000 per year. They currently have \$182,000 in cash reserves. Efforts are to raise the budget reserve to \$500,000.*
- *CST program stands at around 500 exams per year with 49 in Ohio. While the program is generally driven by DOT requirements, it remains profitable.*
- *A professional survey will be the next NCEES president.*

- *Discussion ensued relating the structure of the Director positions, the eliminations of the Governors position and the Area coordinators position.*
- *It was reaffirmed that everyone should be getting the NSPS news and views email weekly.*
- *General discussion was that a greater effort is needed to get the word out on what NSPS will provide.*

7.31 Trig Star – Pat Leonhardt

- *Written report submitted. Four schools have tested. Any others offering a test should get their results back to him by the end of May.*

7.33 CST Coordinator - Pat Leonhardt

- *No report submitted.*
- *Mr. Besch noted that the University of Akron uses the CST test as a tool to assess student advancement through their Associates Degree program. Director Gilpin asked that the CST issue be tabled until the July meeting.*

7.4 Standing Committees

7.41 Program – Kevin Stacy/Director Gilpin

- *Director Gilpin reported -*

7.411 Annual Conference Updates

2015 – Feb. 11-14, 2015 - Renaissance Hotel Downtown, Columbus, Central Ohio Chapter- Kevin Stacy, Chapter Chair
It's going well. They met with their volunteers this afternoon to review the schedule, speakers and programs.

2016 – Feb 10 – 13, 2016 - Marriott, Dayton, Miami Valley Chapter
- Brad Kramer, Chapter Chair
She requested mapping for the exhibits and all other aspects are moving along well.

7.412 Fall Seminar Updates

2014 – Oct. 16-18, 2014 - Great Wolf Lodge, Mason, OH, Program Committee
One speaker remains to be confirmed. Registration starts July 1st.

2015 – Oct.8 – 10, 2015 - Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky, OH
Program Committee will meet later to begin planning.

2016 - *Western Reserve Chapter has requested to be the site for this event. The committee plans to have a location selected by the July meeting.*

2017 - *She has begun looking into potential sites. Will report the end of May to the Program Committee so a recommendation can be made at the July Executive meeting.*

- 7.413 Workshop Updates
 - *Director Gilpin reported there is one workshop next Friday, May 16th in Columbus. Registration is low. She may consider cancelling the June workshop.*
- 7.42 Membership - Robert Akins
 - *No Report*
- 7.43 Interprofessional Affairs - A. J. Myers
 - *No Report*
- 7.44 Education – Steve Cahill
 - *No Report received.*
- 7.45 Legislation – Dean Ringle
 - *No Report submitted. Director Gilpin reported everything is moving forward on The Statute of Limitations amendment.*
- 7.46 Finance – George Hofmann
 - *Reported that he reviewed the financials for April and after discussions with Director Gilpin regarding various minor posting issues, the financials are in good order.*
- 7.47 Past Presidents Council – George Hofmann
 - *No Report – He stated that the council was established as an advisory board and stands ready to assist in that capacity and will meet on an “as needed” basis.*
- 7.48 Scholarship – Rocky Lomano
 - *Written Report Submitted. Scholarship applications were received and will go out to the committee next week*
- 7.49 Scholarship Fund Board – Frank Snyder
 - *No Report*
- 7.50 Fundraising – Barney Spontak
 - *No Report*
- 7.51 Communications Committee – Steve McCall
 - *Discussion on the job posting policies on the PLSO web-site. Non-members cannot access the web-site. The committee is looking into how this can be improved on.*
- 7.52 Management Review – Brian Bingham
 - *No report submitted.*

8.0 Chapter Delegate Reports

- 8.1 Askega Chapter – Michael Jones
- *Written report submitted.*
- 8.2 Central Ohio Chapter – Josh Meyer
- *Written Report Submitted*
- 8.3 Cincinnati Chapter - Bob Heidkamp
- *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.4 Cleveland Chapter – Mike Ackerman
- *Written reported submitted.*
- 8.5 Congress Lands Chapter – Isaac King
- *No report submitted.*
- 8.6 Firelands Chapter - John Hancock
- *Written report submitted. Reminder on the Culver-Davies base-line dedication scheduled for May 17th at 11:00 AM. This is a CPD event. Lunch provided with reservations.*
- 8.7 Miami Valley Chapter – Brad Kramer
- *Verbal Report given – Next meeting next week. Tri-Pod golf open coming up July 18th.*
- 8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter – Lynn Snyder/Jim Kenyon
- *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter – Charlie Harkness
- *No written report submitted.*
- 8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter – Michael Lenhart
- *No written report submitted.*
- 8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter – Steven Ostrowski
- *No written report submitted.*
- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter – Don Pickenpaugh
- *Written Report Submitted. They have completed their chapter constitution review and it should be approved at their next meeting.*
- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter – Brig Mitton
- *Written report submitted*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter – Eric Lutz
- *No written report submitted.*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter – Tim Schram
- *Written report submitted. New officers elected. They have reactivated the chapter.*

- 8.16 Toledo Chapter – Mike Estep
- *No written report submitted*
- 8.17 Treaty Lands Chapter – James Myers
- *Written report submitted.*
- 8.18 Tuscarawas Valley Chapter - Curt Deibel
- *No report submitted. Thanked President Bingham for attending their last meeting. They are working with ODOT on getting signage along I-77 for the Greenville Treaty line.*
- 8.19 The University of Akron Student Chapter – Jake Korngable
- *Ann Besch reported that they will be graduating 6 surveying students this weekend.*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter – Clyde Mason
- *Written report submitted.*
- 9.0 President-Elect’s Report – Steve McCall
- *President-Elect McCall reported on his reviews and discussions with the Communication Committee on their operations. Discussed the overload of the Harrison County Recorder’s office related to Oil and Gas research competing for computer time. Discussed the on-going issues with proposed OUPS enforcement legislation. **Specific examples are needed to support the efforts to push this bill forward.***
- 10.0 PLSO Staff Report – Melinda Gilpin
- *Reported that it’s great to have a new staff member and she is working out great.*
- *She requested permission to attend the OSAE annual meeting in Cincinnati in July. **Motioned made by Bob Akins, seconded by George Hofmann. Motion passed unanimously.***
- 11.0 President’s Report – Brian Bingham
- *Attended the Muskingum and Tuscarawas Chapter meetings in April. Attend the meeting earlier today at the State House for planning the 2015 conference. He will be going to the Base-line meeting coming up on the 17th and will try to make as many meeting as he can.*
- 12.0 Adjourn
- ***A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by George Hofmann and Seconded by Tom Snezek.***
- ***No Discussion***
- ***The motion passed unanimously.***

- *The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.*

May 9, 2014 Minutes respectfully submitted by Thomas M. Snezek, PS, PLSO Executive Secretary-2014.