

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

Location: COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL, SEMINAR “B”

Date: FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015 6:00PM

- 1.0 Call to Order & Devotions – President Steve McCall
 - *President McCall called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.*
 - 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – President Steve McCall
 - *President McCall the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance*
 - *President McCall recited the “P.L.S.O. Purpose”*
 - 1.2 Introduction of visitors – none sited.
 - 1.3 Seating of alternative chapter delegates - Ann Besch for University of Akron.
 - 1.4 Determination of a quorum – Secretary Tom Snezek
 - *Roll call was taken by Secretary Tom Snezek.*
 - *6 officers, 1 past president, 11 of 20 delegates were present, thus establishing a quorum with 18 voting members.*
 - 1.5 Agenda changes, none noted.
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- 2.0 Acceptance of secretary's minutes of the January 2015 meeting, (as prepared by Don Pickenpaugh).
A motion was presented to accept the Secretary’s Minutes of the January 2015 meeting.
 - ***Motion made by Brian Bingham and Seconded by Glen Gibson.***
 - ***A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.***
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- 3.0 Treasurer’s Reports for January and February 2015
Treasurer Bob Patridge turned over reporting to Director Gilpin. She gave;
 - *A brief explanation of how the reports are structured to all new members*
 - *Fiscal year budget is running at 70% and shows at net income of \$54,222.47 through the end of February.*
 - *Revenue for Annual Conference not yet reported.****After brief discussion, the President Accepted the January and February Reports subject to Finance Committee review.***
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- 4.0 Un-finished Business – No Report
 - 4.1 *Ratification of January electronic ballot. After explanation and discussion president McCall asked for a motion to ratify -*
 - ***Motion by George Hofmann, seconded by Lynn Snyder***
 - ***Motion passed by voice vote.***
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- 5.0 New Business –

5.1 New Members – Robert Akins

*Mr. Akins introduced a New Members List for review. He noted the high number of reinstatements and suggested that they were caused by the newly established dues deadline brought on by the NSPS rollout. (** denotes reinstatement)*

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*Professional Members - George Armstrong, Cincinnati Chapter ***
*Casey Elliott, Central Ohio Chapter ***
Daniel Erford, Central Ohio Chapter
*Stephan Fischer, Cincinnati Chapter ***
*Istvan Gajary, Central Ohio Chapter ***
*Harry Herbst, Miami Valley Chapter ***
*Randall Hott, Toledo Chapter ***
*Eric Jackson, Western Reserve Chapter ***
Jesse Jameson, Out-of-state and Mohican-Kilbuck Chapter
*Matthew Meley, Cleveland Chapter ***
*Robert Papotto, Cleveland Chapter ***
*Ronald Sharrett, Scioto Valley Chapter ***
*Dana Snouffer, Muskingum Valley Chapter ***
*William Willis, Central Ohio Chapter ***
*Peter Zwick, Cleveland Chapter ***

*Associate Members - Jacob Schroeder, Central Ohio Chapter ***
Brian Jimison, Southwestern Chapter
Thomas Crawshaw, Ohio Valley Chapter

*Affiliate Members - Nick Secrist, Central Ohio Chapter ***

Sustaining Member - Wetland Studies & Solutions (John Cooke), Out-of-state

Student Member - Eric Chocie, Columbus State Community College – Central Ohio Chapter

First motion by Robert Akins, 2nd. by George Hofmann for 2 Professional, 2 Associates and 1 Student member. Passed by voice vote.

Second motion by Robert Akins, 2nd. by George Hofmann for 1 Sustaining member. Passed by voice vote.

Third motion by Robert Akins, 2nd. by Brian Bingham for 15 Reinstatements. Passed by voice vote.

5.2 Review of Special Committees – Stephen McCall

- Appointment of Brian Bingham to chair the P.A.C. Committee*
- Appointment of Brad Kramer to chair the Standards Committee*
- Appointment of Dean Ringle to the State Line Committee*
- Appointment of Mike Besch to the Historic Review Committee*

5.3 Scholarship Fund Board appointment

- Appointment of Ed Miller to a 5 year term, (his second term)*

6.0 Inter-Association Delegates –

- 6.1 - CEAO – Dean Ringle, no report received. President McCall added that the legislative efforts related to the issue of “Non-dual licensure of County Engineers” are on in the fore-front of the CEAO’s concerns but are in a temporary hold until budget issues at the state level are resolved. More on this expected later in the year.
- 6.2 - ODOT – Jim Kenyon, No report received.
- 6.3 - State Board of Registration – Melinda Gilpin, no report.
Robert Akins added comment on recommending classes on ethics and standards be made mandatory. President McCall agreed that this recommendation should come from the PLSO Board and recommends sending this issue to the Legislative Committee. Further recommend that the Chapters take up the issue and return their comments and suggestions.
- 6.4 - OGRIP – Dean Ringle, No report received.

7.0 Committee Reports –

7.1– Special Committees –

- 7.1.1 - Political Action Committee – Brian Bingham
Reported - Beginning balance of = \$2,796.35
Deposits = \$520.00
Disbursements = \$6.00
Ending Balance = \$3310.35
- 7.1.2 - Standards Committee – Brad Kramer, no report received. President McCall has asked Brad to begin tallying comments and to be ready to go with our recommendations.
- 7.1.3 - State Line Committee – Dean Ringle, no report received.
- 7.1.4 - Historic Review – Mike Besch
Mike reported on preparations for the Living History event at Fort Steuben on June 6th and 7th. Bob Akins along with Don Pickenpaugh will be handling the event.
- Director Gilpin noted the ceremony to set the historical marker on the Michigan-Ohio line will be on March 21nd. This will mark the 200th anniversary of the Michigan Meridian Survey. Both the Northwest Ohio Chapter and Toledo Chapter along with the Central Chapter of MSPS have contributed time and funding to make this event happen. Also noted the October 11th event to celebrate the 200 anniversary of the surveying of Michigan.

7.2– Newsletter Editor – PLSO Staff

- Director Gilpin reported OSN going to print and the electronic version will be out on March 16th.

7.3- NSPS Governor – Robert Akins

- Arrangements underway to go to Washington meeting next month.
- Reminded all that National Surveyors week is next week. Observing NGS monuments will be part of the program. Info available on their website.

7.31 - Trigstar – written report received from Pat Leonhardt.

Director Gilpin reminded all about getting their forms in soon. She noted changes to fees for Testing. Invoices for chapters will be sent out soon. Cost per test is \$35.

7.32– CST Coordinator - Robert Akins, no report submitted.

7.4– Standing Committees –

7.41 - Program – Kevin Stacy not present, reporting for him director Gilpin.

7.411 – Annual Conferences update.

- 2015 will probably generate approximately \$20,000 in revenue.

- 2016 updated schedule and costs predictions for the Dayton Conference. Budget appears to be tight. More to follow.

7.412 – Fall Seminars update.

- 2015 at Kalahari is locked in and moving along.

- 2016 at University Center at Stark Campus in Canton is also moving along.

- Discussed possibility to get opinions from the committee to get proposal for 2017 in Central Ohio. This will be a renewal year.

7.413 – Workshop updates.

- Handed out flier for March 28th workshop in Nestor Hall at Columbus State.

- May 1st class in Belmont County at their emergency management center.

- May 15th class in Marion.

7.42 – Membership – Robert Akins, no report submitted.

7.43 - Inter-professional Affairs A.J. Meyers

- Director Gilpin reported that he will be attending the ACSM/ALTA meeting in Washington next month. He has received concerns from a member regarding the requirements on ALTA surveys.

7.44 - Education – Steve Cahill, written report received.

7.45 - Legislation – Dean Ringle, no report received.

7.46 - Finance – George Hofmann

- Reported he will review finances and give report next meeting.

7.47 - Past Presidents Council – Brian Bingham, no report submitted.

7.48 - Scholarship – Rocky Lomano, written report received.

- Director Gilpin reported students will receive email next week with scholarship application and guidelines.

7.49 – Scholarship Fund Board – Frank Snyder, no report received.

7.50 - Fundraising – George Hofmann

- George asked for any recommendation and ideas to help develop this program.

- Director Gilpin reported that the Annual Conference raffle received \$1965.00.

7.51 - Communication Report – Ken Taylor, no report submitted.

7.52 - Management review – President Steve McCall

- He reported meeting twice with the management staff. He is working to get up to speed with all the various issues, events and concerns of the order.

7.53 - Nominations committee – Ken Taylor, no report received.

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. Discussed the efforts to save a witness tree in his chapter.*

- 8.4 Cleveland Chapter – George Hofmann, written reported submitted.
 - *George Hofmann reported on the joint meeting with Askega Chapter coming up in May.*
 - *Up dated everyone on their Annual Golf Outing coming up June 19th.*
 - *Possible seminars coming up in the fall.*
- 8.5 Congress Lands Chapter - Isaac King
 - *Had meeting last Wednesday. Open house at Bob's Surveying.*
- 8.6 Firelands Chapter – John Hancock
 - *No report received.*
- 8.7 Miami Valley Chapter -
 - *Steve McCall reported meeting in two weeks.*
- 8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter – Lynn Snyder/Jim Kenyon
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter – Charles Harkness
 - *No Report received.*
- 8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter – Michael Lenhart
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter – Kyle Parker
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter – Mike Austen
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter – Brig Mitton
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter – Eric Lutz
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter – Tim Schram
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.16 Toledo Chapter – Terry Wright/Mike Estep
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.17 Treaty Lands Chapter – James Myers
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.18 Tuscarawas Valley Chapter – Curt Deibel
 - *Written Report Submitted. Delegate discussed their chapter's concerns over "Common Core" education system and possible effects on mathematics. The Education Committee will be charged to review the subject.*
- 8.19 The University of Akron Student Chapter – Ann Besch
 - *Reported on two items:*
 - *Requested funding to support a four man team to compete at the NSPS event this summer.*
 - ***Motion to provide \$2000 to support this effort. 1st. by Brian Bingham 2nd. by George Hofmann. Passed by voice vote.***
 - *Announced retirement of Mike Besch Program Director at the University of Akron, on May 31st 2015..*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter – Peter Bells
 - *Written Report Submitted.*

9.0 President-Elect's Report – Ken Taylor

- *Reported on his trip to the Michigan Annual Conference.*

10.0 PLSO Staff Report – Melinda Gilpin

- *Director Gilpin thanked everyone for their help, prayers and support during her illness at the Annual Conference.*
- *This is a very busy time of year with conference follow-up reports.*
- *We now provide support for the Historical Society as their Administrative Services provider.*
- *Annual income from this effort will be \$18,000 per year.*

11.0 President's Report – Steve McCall

- *He attended the West Virginia Conference last month. Noted their large attendance due to their ethics requirements.*
- *He followed with the Kentucky Convention. He noted they only have a part-time director. Their Tax-map offices are not under the direction of a licensed surveyor*
- *Work on the Historical Society relationship with PLSO management.*
- *He has been in contact with various state reps on the dual licensure issues for County Engineers.*

12.0 Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Brian Bingham, 2nd. By George Hofmann. Passed by voice vote.

- *Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.*

March 13, 2013 Minutes respectfully submitted.

*Thomas M. Snezek, PS,
PLSO Executive Secretary*