

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

Location: **COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, NESTOR HALL, SEMINAR "B"**
Date: **FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2015, 6:00 P.M.**

ALL REPORTS WERE TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED IN WRITING

- 1.0 Call to Order & Devotions – 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 Bingham led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.*
 - 1.2 Introduction of Visitors – Brian Bingham
 - *Jason Morter of The Ohio State University Chapter.*
 - 1.3 Seating of Alternate Chapter Delegates (written authorization necessary)
 - *Steve Cahill, Cincinnati Chapter.*
 - 1.4 Determination of Quorum (over ½ of 28 member Executive Committee)
 - *Roll Call was taken. 3 of 6 Officers, 9 of 20 Delegates, and 2 Immediate Past Presidents were present at the beginning of the meeting, for a total of 14. A quorum was not established.*
 - *Executive Director Melinda Gilpin was present.*
 - 1.5 Agenda Changes
 - *No agenda changes were made.*
- 2.0 Acceptance of Secretary's Minutes for November, 2014 – Tom Snezek
 - *A few minor corrections were pointed out. Acceptance of the minutes was tabled to the March meeting due to lack of a quorum.*
- 3.0 Treasurer's Report for November and December, 2014 – Robert Patridge
 - *Copies of the Treasurer's Report for November and December were distributed by Melinda. George Hofmann has reviewed and is pleased all is in order. The FY is 50% complete and we are on track. Melinda mentioned Chapter pass-through dues have been sent out. The Fall Seminar brought in \$63,174, and expenses were \$41,536, for a \$20+k gain, which is what was projected.*
 - *President Bingham accepted the Treasurer's Reports for Finance Committee Review.*
- 4.0 Unfinished Business
 - *None.*
- 5.0 New Business
 - 5.1 New Members - Bob Akins
 - *Melinda presented the following for membership approval:*
 - 7 Professional - Ruth Campbell, Cincinnati*
 - Kirk Diehl, Miami Valley*
 - Ben Bledsoe, Out-of-State*
 - Eslie Shaw, Cincinnati*
 - William Helscel, Thomas Hutchins*
 - Alex Marks, Western Reserve*
 - Richard Howerton, Scioto Valley*

 - 1 Associate - Joseph Dura, Miami Valley*

- 1 Sustaining - Carlson Software (Tom Peak)
- 3 Student - Walter Young, University of Akron
Charles Kotten, The Ohio State University
Adam Lipps, The Ohio State University

Motion to Accept the New Professional, Associate and Student Members, and Sustaining Member, by George Hofmann, second by Ken Taylor. Vote will be tallied by email.

- 5.2 Member of the Year – Steve McCall
 - Steve presented two candidates for Member of the Year – Steve Cahill of Cincinnati, and Mark Cameron of Central Ohio. George Hofmann spoke on behalf of Bob Heidkamp of Cincinnati for Mr. Cahill, citing his dedication to the OUPS issues and extensive legislative effort, plus many other accomplishments. Josh Meyer spoke for Mr. Cameron, citing his dedication to Chapter leadership and willingness to volunteer. **Voting will be by email, and results are needed ASAP as a plaque must be ordered next week.**
- 6.0 Inter-Association Delegates
 - 6.1 CEAO - Dean Ringle
 - Dean mentioned the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference was December 7-9. PLSO and CEAO enjoy a good working relationship. Melinda set up a booth in the vendor area making for good exposure for PLSO, and Brian helped staff the booth. Dean mentioned the possibility of PLSO being a partner for the Ohio GIS Conference.
 - 6.2 ODOT - Jim Kenyon
 - No report.
 - 6.3 State Board of Registration - Melinda Gilpin
 - Dean Ringle, Board Member, said the January meeting will be in February. There is no other news at present.
 - 6.4 OGRIP – Dean Ringle
 - The next meeting is Tuesday, next week.
- 7.0 Committee Reports
 - 7.1 Special Committees
 - 7.11 Political Action – George Hofmann
 - There is no change in balance except for bank fees of \$3 per month for November and December, leaving a balance of \$2790.35. There will be a PAC table near registration at the Annual Conference. Donations of \$100.00 or greater must be by check (no cash). PAC donations can be accepted from individual members and LLC's, but not from a corporation or Chapter.
 - 7.12 Standards - Brad Kramer
 - No report.
 - 7.13 State Line - Dean Ringle
 - The Annual Report has been submitted.
 - 7.14 Historic Review – Mike Besch
 - Not in attendance and No Report.
 - 7.2 Newsletter Editor – PLSO Staff
 - Melinda said the Winter issue of the OSN is out.
 - The next deadline is March 1, after the Annual Conference.
 - The eNews will be next week, and another in early February with Conference updates.
 - 7.3 NSPS Governor - Robert Akins
 - No report.
 - 7.31 Trig-Star – Pat Leonhardt
 - Report submitted. It is Trig-Star season.

- 7.32 CST Coordinator – Robert Akins (Acting)
 - *Brig mentioned change in ODOT personnel has resulted in less support for CST.*
 - *It is a union issue within ODOT.*
- 7.4 Standing Committees
 - 7.41 Program – Kevin Stacy
 - 7.411 Annual Conference Updates
 - 2015 – Feb. 11-14, 2015 - Renaissance Hotel Downtown, Columbus
 - *Melinda reported registration is up and rooms are going fast.*
 - *Donation forms were passed out for the Scholarship raffle.*
 - *The OSU Chapter will be helping out; meeting later this month.*
 - *Attendance at the Wed. night opening ceremony is encouraged.*
 - *Spouses program being finalized, details to be emailed.*
 - *Registration 5 pm at Renaissance; within walking distance.*
 - *Exhibit at Thos. Worthington Center in Feb. of 6 Ohio surveyor Governors.*
 - 2016 – Feb. 10-13, 2016 – Marriott, Dayton
 - *Banquet coordinator replaced by new event management.*
 - *Concerns with Marriott being unable to fulfill contract items.*
 - *Melinda meeting next Tuesday to see if items can be resolved, or if we need to look for another location.*
 - 7.412 Fall Seminar Updates
 - 2015 – Oct. 8-10, Kalahari Resort and Conference Center
 - *Major speakers set; working with Rusty.*
 - 2016 – Oct. 13-14, University Center at Stark Campus, Kent State, Canton
 - *Featuring private event at Football Hall of Fame.*
 - 7.42 Membership - Bob Akins
 - *No report.*
 - 7.43 Interprofessional Affairs - A. J. Myers
 - *Report submitted.*
 - 7.44 Education – Steve Cahill
 - *Still looking for members from across the State to serve on the Education Committee.*
 - *Steve highly recommends the article in the OSN by John Greenhalge on surveyor numbers.*
 - 7.45 Legislation – Dean Ringle
 - *Lame duck session was fast and furious, but nothing passed that affects us.*
 - *Continuing to watch in 2015.*
 - *Term limiting brings in new legislators with “new” (old) ideas.*
 - *Transportation/ODOT issues possible.*
 - *Steve Cahill mentioned the Governor signed new OUPS law revisions.*
 - *OUPS will be an ongoing issue, so Committee will continue to be active.*
 - *Will be OUPS updates at PLSO conference, and as things change in future.*
 - 7.46 Finance – George Hofmann
 - *November and December reports in order.*
 - 7.47 Past Presidents Council – George Hofmann
 - *No need to meet in 2014; speaks of good leadership.*
 - 7.48 Scholarship – Rocky Lomano
 - *Annual Report submitted.*
 - *Application will be reviewed and then sent out after the Annual Conference and then again after spring break.*
 - *Deadline is May 1 for receipt of applications.*
 - 7.49 Scholarship Fund Board – Frank Snyder
 - *Frank completing Annual Report.*
 - *Balance at end of November was \$79,673.46.*
 - *Columbus Foundation has not supplied end-of-year figures yet.*

- 7.50 Fundraising – Barney Spontak
 - *Barney is contacting Chapters and requesting donated items for Scholarship raffle.*
- 7.51 Communications Committee – Steve McCall
 - *No items this time.*
- 7.52 Management Review – Brian Bingham
 - *PLSO signed a contract with the Surveyors Historical Society as their Administrative Services Provider, effective Jan. 1.*
 - *EC voted at Oct. meeting to submit proposal.*
 - *Notification of selection received Dec. 1.*
 - *Revenue will allow PLSO to offset some costs, such as phone bill, etc.*
 - *SHS phone number will be PLSO's rollover, second line.*
 - *Emails will be forwarded to PLSO; Address will be PLSO's address.*
 - *PLSO being paid a flat rate quarterly, \$18k per year.*
 - *Two year contract, then renegotiate with established baseline experience.*
 - *SHS has 2 board meetings per year, one of which is at the Rendezvous.*
 - *PLSO has budgeted travel costs to attend these 2 meetings.*
 - *Rendezvous is organized by SHS volunteers.*
 - *Brian and Melinda travelled to Indiana to pick up SHS office items.*
 - *PLSO will handle SHS sales.*
 - *Will be new line items in Financial Reports.*
 - *Will result in national exposure for PLSO.*
- 7.53 Nominations Review – Steve McCall
 - *Need plaque ordered next week; email will go out Mon. for Member of Year.*

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.*
- 8.4 Cleveland Chapter – No Delegate
 - *George Hofmann reported their annual meeting is Jan. 22.*
 - *Dean Ringle complimented the Chapter for providing Playmobile surveyor sets for Toys for Tots toy drive (available for about \$5-\$6 from Amazon). See PLSO web site for details.*
- 8.5 Congress Lands Chapter - Isaac King
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.6 Firelands Chapter – John Hancock
 - *Annual Report Submitted. Focusing on Fall Seminar ideas.*
- 8.7 Miami Valley Chapter -
 - *Steve McCall reported Officer Sgt. Scales presented Nov. 19 on accident and forensic surveying. Chapter had elections, and donated to two local food banks. Sgt. Scales will be presenting at the Annual Conference.*
- 8.8 Mohican-Killbuck Valley Chapter – Lynn Snyder/Jim Kenyon
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.9 Muskingum Valley Chapter – Charles Harkness
 - *Annual Report Submitted*
- 8.10 Northwest Ohio Chapter – Michael Lenhart
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.11 Ohio State University Student Chapter – Kyle Parker
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.12 Ohio Valley Chapter – Mike Austen
 - *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.13 Scioto Valley Chapter – Brig Mitten

- *Written Report Submitted.*
- 8.14 Southwestern Chapter – Eric Lutz
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.15 The Thomas Hutchins Chapter – Tim 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.*
- 8.19 The University of Akron Student Chapter –
 - *No Report Submitted.*
- 8.20 Western Reserve Chapter – Peter Bells
 - *Written Report Submitted.*

- 9.0 President-Elect’s Report – Steve McCall
 - *Steve has been on conference calls in November working out contract details with SHS.*
 - *Steve commended Melinda for an excellent job on behalf of PLSO.*

- 10.0 PLSO Staff Report – Melinda Gilpin
 - *Valerie did a survey of members who dropped, and polled responses, which resulted in 3 re-upping.*
 - *Melinda has been working on the Annual Conference, legislative issues, and also set up a booth at the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference in December.*
 - *This is a very busy time of year with Annual Reports, awards, and conference planning.*

- 11.0 President’s Report – Brian Bingham
 - *Helped staff the booth at the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference.*
 - *Traveled to Indiana with Melinda to pick up SHS items.*
 - *Going to PA to attend their conference Sun. and Mon. next week.*
 - *Recommended serving as a PLSO Officer to all in the room.*
 - *Urged submittal of annual Chapter and Committee Reports ASAP for Annual Report.*
 - *Visited all Chapters but 3 or 4 during his term as President.*
 - *Brian complimented the staff for a great job during his tenure as President.*

- 12.0 Adjourn
 - *Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM.*

January 9, 2015 Minutes respectfully submitted by Donald E. Pickenpaugh, P.S., acting as Secretary for Tom Snezek, PS., at the request of President Bingham.