MINUTES OF THE
UTAH ENGINEERS COUNCIL
April 6, 2011 - 12:00 Noon
Parsons Brinkerhoff
488 E. Winchester Street, Suite 400
Murray, UT

Members Present:
Joe Martone, Chair
Peter Tang, Vice-Chair
Leslie Hugo, Treasurer
Trent Hunt, 2nd Past Chair
Jim Thacher
John Richardson
Dannie Pollock
Dan Church
Michael Nadeau
Rob Kesler
Todd Rindlisbaker
David Cline
Brian Warner
Jeremiah Jones
Clinton Cathey
Susan Merrill

Members Absent:
Mike Buehner, 1st Past Chair
Chris Hofheins
Mike Buehner

Joe Martone welcomed the board members. The meeting began at 12:06 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 2, 2011

Motion: Dan Church moved to approve the minutes. Todd Rindlisbaker seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT – LESLIE HUGO

Leslie Hugo passed out the current financial report. Leslie reported that we are about $200 short of breaking even on the banquet. There are a few people who haven’t paid yet. The catering came in under budget and the awards were over budget.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Fund-raising – Mike Buehner: Mike was not in attendance.

B. Membership – John Richardson: John is still waiting to hear back from the American Nuclear Society. John has sent e-mails to Sophie at the Water Environmental Engineers Society. John has also sent e-mails to Brad Gilson who is a member of the American Water Works Association and the Utah City Engineers Association. Leslie Hugo has contact information for the Society of Mining Engineers. She said they were interested in joining UEC and had been involved with UEC years ago.

5. LICENSING BOARD AND UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION NOMINATIONS SENT – JOE MARTONE

The following nominations were submitted from UEC:

Jerel Newman, Ryan Hillstrom and Justin Nadauld were nominated for the positions currently held
by Don W. Barker, P.E. and Stephen D. Cohen, P.E. UEC recommended that Joshua L. Blazzard, P.E. be re-nominated for his current position. UEC did not submit nominations for the positions of David E. Wesemann, P.E./E and Ray W. Moore, P.E.

6. ELECTION OF NEXT YEAR’S OFFICERS – TRENT HUNT

Jeremiah Jones withdrew his nomination. He will not have time to serve. We now have one nomination for UEC Treasurer which is John Richardson. Trent moved to open nominations and have further discussion. There were no other nominations.

Motion: Trent Hunt moved to close the nominations and elect John Richardson as the new UEC Treasurer. Todd Rindlisbaker seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The new UEC officers are:
Chair: Peter Tang
Vice-Chair: Leslie Hugo
Treasurer: John Richardson

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Joe Martone had a discussion with Dr. Tami Goetz, Governor Herbert’s Science Advisor, about the possibility of state money being available for a grant to help fund our scholarship program this year. Although we have already given the scholarships for this year, because we have a separate scholarship fund, it might work for us to put it there until next year. Tami said she would check with the legal department to see if they would be able to do this. Tami might come to our May meeting if it’s something they can do. We need people to attend if she does come.

The meeting will be at Parsons Brinkerhoff again in May.

The Utah Society of Professional Engineers is holding their continuing education conference on May 14 along with the Order of the Engineer presentation. Dan will send the information to Susan to distribute.

In order to serve on the UEC Executive Board, you must be a current society representative or you must have been a representative in the previous two years. UEC is not supposed to have more than one member of the same society on the Executive Committee at the same time. UEC’s purpose is to focus on engineering in Utah and to further the purposes of engineering. It is important for the UEC Board members to get involved and help on the committees.

We need more people to help with fund-raising. The Journal was really good this year and Sophie was optimistic about next year’s advertising. If there are societies who want UEC to make a presentation to their boards about the value of UEC, please let us know and a member of the Executive Committee will come and make a presentation.

Leslie Hugo has a new job where she travels a lot. She will need some help to fulfill her UEC responsibilities this year.

John Richardson reported that his wife thought the banquet was very nice and the speaker was interesting. The view was spectacular.

Last year Marilyn Marshall inquired about mentoring opportunities within the engineering community. Jim Thacher mentioned that the Salt lake Valley Science Fair is looking for mentors to help students with their science projects.
Trent Hunt mentioned some things that could be improved upon for the banquet next year:

1. Society representatives need to get the reservations in as soon as possible – before the deadline;

2. Try to get involved and help it work. John Richardson suggested a section in on the website that would be a little more extensive for societies to post their newsletters and promote their events. He would like to see a job posting section as well. ASCE will look into the possibility of U of U students helping redesign the website for their education.

Trent Hunt would like to see the society updates return to the Journal in the form of an article from each society telling what each society is doing. Dave Cline felt that UEC should be spotlighting projects and other things relating to engineering. ACEC did not have their winners displayed this year.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee following this meeting.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Dan Church moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 p.m.