



**MINUTES OF THE
UTAH ENGINEERS COUNCIL**
September 9, 2015 - 12:00 Noon
Van Cott
36 South State Street, Suite 1900
Salt Lake City, UT

Members Present:

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| Brian Warner, Chair | ASCE |
| Charles Vono, Vice-Chair by phone | AIAA |
| Jed Lyman, Treasurer | ASPE |
| Rob Kesler, 1sr Past Chair | ACEC |
| David Cline, 2nd Past Chair | EWB |
| Max Gandy | ASHRAE |
| Jeff Anderson by phone | UCEA |
| Chris Perry by phone | IEEE |
| Dale Robinson | UCLS |
| Marilyn Marshall | SWE |
| Melisa Saleb | SWE |
| Craig Wilkinson | SEAU |
| Paul Feser | ASCE |
| Stanley Klemetson | ASCE |
| Ron Thue | AIAA |
| Pei-Jung Tsai by phone | IEEE |
| Dannie Pollock | AAEE |
| Susan Merrill | Executive Secretary |

Members Absent:

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| Roberta Schlicher | SAME |
| Cindy Spangler | ASME |
| Kordel Braley | ITE |

Guests

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| Juli Burton | Van Cott/NewsLINK |
| Jeff Riddle | Van Cott |
| Brian Riddle | Van Cott |

1. Welcome – Brian Warner

The meeting began at 12:15 p.m. Brian Warner welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions were made.

2. Approval of Minutes – May 6, 2015

Motion: Rob Kesler moved to approve the May 6, 2015 minutes. Max Gandy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Financial Report – Jed Lyman

Jed Lyman passed out the financial report with the proposed budget. Most of the budget items are based on what was done last year. The UEC dues have not been calculated for this year so the numbers on the budget sheet are from last year. The UEC dues cover Susan and general UEC expenses. The banquet tickets and sponsorships cover the banquet. We rely solely on donations to cover our scholarships. Susan will update the dues numbers when she gets the information from all of the societies. She needs to send out the UEC dues invoices by October 1. Van Cott has

sponsored our lunches and given UEC support for the past 3 years. Van Cott has offered seminars and opportunities to visit society meetings. Van Cott has also donated scholarship money in the past. They are looking to see if they can support our scholarship fund again this year. Van Cott offers help with intellectual property issues and any other legal services that are needed.

The Piele scholarship is donated by NewsLINK in recognition of Sophie Hanson's father. The MESA teacher of the year is a donated award. The past couple of years the MESA award has been covered by Ferguson. This year there may be a family covering that award.

There were some questions about further changes to the budget on the UEC expenses for postage, mileage, etc. Jed Lyman needs to talk to Charlie Vono about these items to clear up his questions, so the budget approval will be tabled until the October meeting.

Susan indicated that we still need the Audit Report from Rob Kesler. The committee did go through the audit and we just need the final report.

4. Roster Questionnaire – Susan Merrill

Susan Merrill reported that she still needs completed roster questionnaires from ASME, ASPE, ITE and SAME. Once she has these, she will update the roster on the website and prepare the dues invoices. Susan reminded people to utilize the Calendar of Events on the website. This is a great networking tool to help engineers from all societies know what is going on in the engineering community. Please send your events to Susan to be included on the UEC website.

David Cline asked if Susan had received a roster questionnaire from AWWA who is currently not a member. She has not received anything from them.

5. Committee Assignments

A. Publishing Committee - Dannie Pollock: Dannie Pollock indicated that he would like to continue serving as the Publishing Committee Chair. He should be in town this year. The deadline for the articles will be December 4, 2015. NewsLINK would like to have us merge the lists into one master list. We are working to get the Journal mailed out right after the banquet. This year it was very late since it didn't go out until August. Average articles are about 1,000 words, but there is quite a bit of leeway. We will get the guidelines updated and send them out in the newsletter. The Journal is a way to highlight societies, members and engineering companies through the articles that are submitted. The Journal is award-winning and we need to utilize it to the fullest.

B. E-Week Committee – Charles Vono: The UEC Vice-Chair is the E-Week Committee Chair. Charles reported that he contacted Pixar to see about a speaker, but the Pixar speaker is not available. Charles would like to have some committee members to help him find an appropriate speaker. Charles would like to see about having the banquet at Rio Tinto again this year. The committee members who will be helping Charles are Ron Thue, Max Gandy, Juli Burton and Stan Klemetson.

Ron Thue mentioned that he is chairing a committee with AIAA focusing on E-Week events. He suggested that it would be nice to coordinate their activities with the UEC banquet. Susan can put the activities on the website. AIAA would like to have smaller engineering firms involved with their E-Week as well as the large aerospace firms.

Charles is considering having someone from Hill Air Force Base come and talk about all of the engineering that goes on around the base, but Charles would like input from others as well.

Another draw to the banquet is the award nominees.

C. Fund-Raising Committee – Rob Kesler: Rob is working with the Mu family to possibly donate again for this year and next year. Heath Engineering will be donating \$500 to the scholarship fund this year. Van Cott and Ferguson will let us know if they can donate this year. If we can get a lot of companies to donate \$500 or so, that would help us tremendously. Last year ASPE donated money to the banquet. Rob would like to encourage other member societies to look at the possibility of donating to the banquet or the scholarship fund. Some UEC sponsorships give recognition in the Journal. If you have any suppliers or other companies that you think might be interested in donating to UEC and you do not want to call them, give their contact information to Rob Kesler and he will contact them for you.

D. Awards Committee – David Cline: The 2nd Past Chair is the Chair of this committee. David Cline will get the information from John Richardson. There will be a selection committee formed in a couple of months to help select the award winners. We will be pushing the nominations in the monthly newsletter. David Cline needs to submit the updated forms to Susan to post on the website. The nomination packet date will be pinned down soon. For the newsletter, David would like to receive information by the middle of the month so the newsletter can be sent out in the third week of the month. We can then discuss it at the next board meeting.

F. Membership Committee – Melisa Saleb: Elaine Boyd with AWWA indicated to David Cline that AWWA would like to reinstate their membership this year. Melisa Saleb with SWE agreed to be the Membership Committee Chair. Jed Lyman mentioned that someone in his office is trying to set up a Utah Chapter of the fire protection engineers. Marilyn said she would also try to have Melisa contact the material science engineers.

D. Legislative Committee – Chris Perry: Chris Perry said he would be willing to be the chair of this committee. Max Gandy and Paul Feser volunteered to help on this committee. Someone mentioned that the state of Washington is pushing to eliminate licensing in the state. That is a concern and something to watch.

G. Scholarship Committee – Jed Lyman: The UEC Secretary/Treasurer is the Chair of the Scholarship Committee. Charlie Vono will get the scholarship information to Jed next week. He has the university contacts and Jed will need to update the scholarship application and get it to Susan to post on the UEC website. The committee members will help go through the applications and choose the winners. Jeff Anderson and Dale Robinson volunteered to serve on this committee.

UCLS currently offers scholarships to USU, BYU and the U of U. The Weber State Piele scholarship is from NewsLINK. WSU has an ABET accredited EE BS degree program. If other schools end up having accredited engineering programs, it is up to the UEC Board to determine if they expand their scholarship offerings. If this is decided sometime in the future, then we will need more donations. It was suggested that one option in the future could be to have all engineering schools apply for the three scholarships. These are things to discuss if more schools have accredited engineering programs.

Stan Klemetson mentioned that next year is ASCE's Centennial year and they are looking for outstanding engineering projects in the last hundred years. If anyone has nominations, please submit them to Paul Feser or Stan Klemetson. These will be included in an eBook.

Stan Klemetson also mentioned that ASCE would like to raise the bar for number of hours required for an engineering degree. It is currently 120 hours and used to be 145 hours. The concern is the health and safety of people in the profession and they feel that students need more training. They are also looking at Continuing Education requirements and are considering what would best serve the industry.

7. Other Business

Susan mentioned that there is a link to the UEC Journal on the UEC website.

8. Adjournment

Motion: Jed Lyman moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m.
