

County Engineers Association of Maryland

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
April 22, 2010
Conference Room of
The Chesapeake Exploration Center Building
Kent Narrows
Grasonville, Maryland

President Africa called the meeting to order @ 11:00 a.m. with the following in attendance:

President: Greg Africa

1st Vice President: Ed Plank

2nd Vice President: Hudson Myers

Secretary: Mike Warring

Treasurer: Doug Myers (can't attend)

Directors: Mike Moulds, Bob Sebastian, John Nolan, Mike Hinchy, Steve Walsh, Scott Flanagan, and Bruce Johnston (can't attend)

Past Presidents: John Redden; Ed Adams; John Tustin & Joe Kroboth (can't attend)

Historian: Jim Montgomery

Scholarship Committee: Co-Chairmen Mike Errico (can't attend), and Dale Coppage

Legislative Committee: Co-Chairmen Bob Martin & Stu Taub

Membership Committee: Todd Mohn

NACE Representative: Jim Wilson

Visitors:

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the March 25, 2010 meeting were distributed electronically prior to the Board meeting. Motion was made by to approve the minutes as presented by Ed Plank, and was seconded by John Nolan. Motion approved. Comments: None

Treasurer's Report:

Doug Myers was able to attend the meeting, and his report dated 4/21/10 was distributed to the Board members. The checking account balance as of 3/22/10 was \$ 70,504.40, while the Money Market balance was \$ 8,939.48. The receipts totaled \$ 1,215.00, while expenses were \$ 269.88. The total balance of both the checking and money market accounts as of 4/21/10 was \$ 80,389.25. Motion to adopt the Treasurer's report was made by John Redden, and was seconded by Mike Moulds. Discussion, motion carried.

Secretary's Announcement/New Members:

2 -New Associate applications: Eugene W. Burroughs, Jr. - Project Engineer - N G & O Engineering, Inc, Leonardtown, Md. office; and **Gerald P. Dougherty** - Transportation Manager - ATCS, PLC - Annapolis, Md. office. Motion made to accept these new membership applications was made by Ed Plank, and the motion was seconded by Hudson Myers. Motion carried.

Currently, the membership headcount as of this meeting is as follows: **272** Members; **222** Associate Members; **35** retired; and **18** Life & Honorary Members – Total Membership = **547**

Committee Reports:

Program & Conference Committee: (Co-Chairmen Ed Plank & Hudson Myers) Hudson reported that as of this meeting, there were 72 members registered for the one-day Spring Conference, and 32 golfers signed up for the tournament that takes place the day before. The topics for the technical program was designed for middle management staff in an effort to have a larger amount of staff in attendance for this one-day Spring conference, due to its central Maryland location in Harford County. Based on phone calls to his office, Hudson expects to see many more registrations over the next few weeks, and suspects that when totaled, we may come close to the maximum number of conferees for this facility at 150.

Scholarship Committee: (Mike Errico and Dale Coppage – Co-Chairmen) - No Report

1. **Legislative Committee: (Chairman Bob Martin)** – Bob distributed a one page summary of bills that were passed during the 2010 legislative session that should have interest, or impacts to members of CEAM. The list included the following bills: HB 80- Continuing Ed for Professional Engineers; HB 168-Voids A/E indemnity agreements; HB 282- Requires MDOT to develop a statewide pedestrian/bicycle plan to include a balance of funding in the CTP; HB710- Authorizes a Blue Ribbon transportation committee to study state funding and to provide a report no later than 1/1/12; HB786- Requires SHA to fund or share funding with local governments for pedestrian/bicycle facilities depending on the location of the proposed facility, or if the adjacent roadway is being reconstructed; HB 903- requires the SHA in cooperation with MDE to develop, and update annually a Best Practices Road Salt Management Program for guidance to State and local jurisdictions; and HB 1155 – Requires the SHA to provide an evaluation and explanation of project selection for inclusion in the CTP. For construction projects, the requesting local jurisdiction or agency must provide a brief statement of the project's purpose and need, and that the project supports State transportation goals and supports local government land use plans and goals.
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Membership Committee: (Chairman Todd Mohn) – No Report.

Budget Committee: Chairman Doug Myers – No Report.

By Laws Committee: (Chairman Mike Warring) – No Report

Associate Member Advisory Committee: (John Nolan & Bob Sebastian – Co-Chairmen) - John reported that he and Bob would begin their telephone campaign in earnest to garnish financial support for our various sponsorship programs to include the one-day golf tournament the day before the Conference. John also stated that he and Bob were also working on an agenda for the Associate Member meeting at the Spring Conference, and that it would be focused on potential subject matter for future technical programs.

Awards Committee: (Chairman Jim Montgomery) – Jim reported that he was about to send out the various award nomination forms, and that he would be sure that the awards program for 2010 would also be posted on the CEAM web site. He asked that there be an announcement to the membership at the Spring Conference Business Meeting for members to submit their project information as soon as possible. The awards will be made at the Fall Conference. Jim was wondering of the Board had any candidates for “Life Membership”?

SHA Liaison Committee: (Chairman Ed Adams) - No Report.

Old Business

- **NACE Updates** – State Representative Jim Wilson reported that he was leaving for the NACE convention on Saturday, and that he would present his report at the next Board meeting.
- **Conference RFP for Outsourcing Registration Services – John Redden & Mike Warring** – No Report.
- **MACO Conference Technical Program Summer 2010** – Greg Africa said that the MACO summer conference is from 8/18-8/21/10, and that CEAM has been asked to put on a panel discussion regarding the new SWM regulations, and that he was thinking that we ought to have various representatives representing the Counties, the design consultants, and possibly someone from the development arena. the second topic that was suggested by MACO was on the winter storms, and snow removal.
- **VERIZON Coordination/Follow-up – Mike Warring** - No Report

New Business:

- Ed Adams stated that he had heard from Neil Pedersen that the SHA was going to set up a review committee charged with the challenge of streamlining the review process for access permits through the SHA, and that he would appreciate someone from CEAM being on this committee? The goal is to minimize the time that it has been taking to obtain access permit approvals from SHA.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Ed Plank, seconded by Hudson Myers to adjourn. The next meeting of the Board will be held on May 18, 2010 at the CEAM Spring Conference on Bel Air, Maryland.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Michael Warring, P.E.
CEAM Secretary