

County Engineers Association of Maryland

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
JULY 22, 2010
Conference Room of
The Maryland Association of Counties Building
Annapolis, Maryland**

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

President: Ed Plank

1st Vice President: Hudson Myers

2nd Vice President: Paul Kahl (can't attend)

Secretary: Mike Warring

Treasurer: Doug Myers

Directors: Mike Moulds, Bob Sebastian, Matt Allen, Doug Taylor, Ed Adams, Scott Flanigan, and Bruce Johnston (can't attend)

Immediate Past President: Greg Africa (can't attend)

Past Presidents: John Redden; John Tustin & Joe Kroboth

Historian: Jim Montgomery (can't attend)

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

Legislative Committee: Co-Chairmen Bob Martin & Stu Taub (can't attend)

Membership Committee: Todd Mohn

NACE Representative: Jim Wilson (can't attend)

Visitors: - Tim Cupples-Chief of Transportation Construction in Montgomery County attended the meeting for Bruce Johnston)

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the 4/22/10 and 6/22/10 meetings were distributed electronically prior to the Board meeting. Motion was made by to approve the minutes as presented by Bob Sebastian, and was seconded by Scott Flanigan. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Doug Myers was able to attend the meeting, and his report dated 7/21/10 was distributed to the Board members. The checking account balance as of 6/21/10 was \$ 75,995.60, while the Money Market balance was \$ 8,939.73. The receipts totaled \$ 0.22, while expenses were \$ 315.24. The total balance of both the checking and money market accounts as of 7/21/10 was \$ 84,580.31. Motion to adopt the Treasurer's report was made by Mike Moulds, and was seconded by Ed Adams. Discussion, motion carried.

Secretary's Announcement/New Members:

1 -New Associate application: Belinda Connor - Principal of Connor Support Services - Traffic Data Collection- Annapolis, Md. office. Motion to approve the application was made by Scott Flanigan, and was seconded by Ed Adams. Motion carried.

Currently the membership headcount as of this meeting is as follows: 279 Members; 226 Associate Members; 35 retired; and 18 Life & Honorary Members – Total Membership = 558

Committee Reports:

Program & Conference Committee: (Co-Chairmen Hudson Myers and Paul Kahl) – Hudson reminded everyone that the 2010 CEAM Fall Conference registration packages were on the web site, and that he felt that the technical program was timely, and pertinent to the challenges facing all of the Counties. The keynote speaker will be Walter Maestri, who is the former New Orleans Director of Emergency Preparedness during and after Hurricane Katrina hit the City. Hudson also suggested that there would be a cold cut sandwich buffet offered for the first time at this conference, and there will not be a Past Presidents/Board of Directors Luncheon in an effort to further reduce the costs of the conference. In addition, based on his budget, Hudson reduced the registration cost for the Conference to \$170.00. The buffet that will be offered to all registrants from 12:00 – 1:30 will be provided at a reasonable cost of \$20.00 per person.

Scholarship Committee: (Mike Errico and Dale Coppage – Co-Chairmen) Neither Mike, Dale, nor Jim Wilson could be available for this Board meeting, but prior to the meeting, Dale had sent correspondence to the Board stating that at the Board's meeting in June, it was decided that moneys required to be transferred to the Scholarship committee for the funding of the 4 scholarships at University of Maryland (CP), as well as the one scholarship recently established at Morgan State University should be the decision of the newly elected Board of Directors at the July meeting. Accordingly, a motion was made by Doug Myers to transfer \$20,830.00 from the CEAM checking account to fund the 5 scholarships for the 2010-2011 school year. Hudson Myers seconded the motion, and after a brief discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Legislative Committee: (Chairman Bob Martin) – Bob Martin offered the following CEAM members that have volunteered to serve on the Legislative Committee for this year's session: Mike Moulds; Greg Africa; Bill Korpman; and John Groeger. The Board accepted these members for the calendar year 2010/2011.

Membership Committee: (Chairman Todd Mohn) – Todd reported that the current members of his committee consisted of Kevin Beachy (retired) and Stu Taub. He definitely would entertain new members from the Board, or membership to serve on the committee. At present, 24% of our membership remain unpaid, and he and his committee are following up to determine whether these members intend to renew their membership, or have possibly moved out of the area.

Budget Committee: Chairman Doug Myers – No Report.

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

Associate Member Advisory Committee: (Matt Allen & Bob Sebastian – Co-Chairmen)
Bob reported that he and Matt had split the list of associate member firms, and that they would be beginning their follow-up calls for sponsorships for the Fall conference and golf tournament this week. The President, and other members of the Board congratulated Bob and John Nolan for their successful campaign to garner hole sponsorships for the one-day Spring Conference and golf tournament.

Awards Committee: (Chairman Jim Montgomery) – No Report

SHA Liaison Committee: (Chairman Ed Adams): – Ed reported that he had sent an invitation to Neil Pedersen to join the Board at its December 9th meeting at the Chesapeake Exploration Center in Queen Anne's County for his annual overview of SHA programs as they relate to the local jurisdictions. Ed Plank then advised the Board that he had received a call from SHA Permits section requesting an audience with the CEAM Board regarding changes that are in the works to streamline the Access Permit process with SHA. The Board's reaction was positive, and the President said that he would follow-up with correspondence back to SHA to confirm a meeting date.

Old Business

1. **NACE Updates – Jim Wilson, State Representative** – (can't attend –no report)
2. **Board Meeting Schedule for 2010-2011** – President Plank announced the following schedule for Board meeting dates and location:
 - August 26, 2010 @ MACO Office
 - September-Fall Conference Annual Meeting
 - October 28, 2010 @ MACO Office
 - December 9, 2010 @QA County Expo Center
 - January 27, 2011 @ QA County Expo
 - February 24, 2011 @ QA County Expo
 - March 24, 2011 @ QA County Expo
 - April 28, 2011 @ QA County Expo
 - May ? – Spring Conference – Business Meeting
 - June 23, 2011 @ QA County Expo
 - July 28, 2011 @ QA County Expo

New Business:

- **Spring Conference Locations and Date:** Following a brief discussion about a potential location for another 1-day Spring Conference like was done for the first time this past Spring Conference in May, there were concerns expressed that the location for a one-day needs to be in a Central Maryland location that is convenient to all. Since Paul Kahl, who is the second Vice President, and typically the County with whom the second VP is associated normally serves as the location for the Spring Conference, the Board felt that we needed to look for a more central facility. Oregon Ridge was suggested by Ed Adams, and after some positive reactions from Board members, Ed said that he would contact the facility that is operated by Baltimore County to see what dates in May would be available, and to confirm that the facility can handle our needs for classrooms, sit down lunch etc.
- Ed Adams said that with potential regulations regarding continuing education for P.E.'s in Maryland, as well as the evolving SWM regulations, that we need to see if our technical programs in the future can qualify for CE Credits.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Ed Adams, and was seconded by Bob Sebastian to adjourn. The next meeting of the Board will be held at 11:00 am at the Conference Room in the MACO office building.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Michael Warring, P.E.
CEAM Secretary