

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
March 24, 2011
Conference Room of
The Chesapeake Exploration Center
Kent Narrows
Grasonville, Maryland

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

1st Vice President: Hudson Myers

2nd Vice President: Paul Kahl

Secretary: Mike Warring

Treasurer: Doug Myers (can't attend)

Directors: Mike Moulds, Bob Sebastian, Matt Allen & Doug Taylor
Ed Adams, Scott Flanigan, and Bruce Johnston

Immediate Past President: Greg Africa

Past Presidents: John Redden; Joe Kroboth and John Tustin (can't attend)

Historian: Jim Montgomery-(can't attend)

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

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

Membership Committee: Todd Mohn (can't attend)

NACE Representative: Jim Wilson

Visitors:

Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the 2/24/11 meeting were distributed electronically prior to the Board meeting by the Secretary. Motion was made by to approve the minutes as presented by Mike Moulds, and was seconded by Scott Flanigan. Motion approved.
Comments: None

Treasurer's Report: Doug Myers was not able to attend the meeting, and his report dated 3/21/11 was distributed to the Board members electronically prior to the meeting. The checking account balance as of 2/22/11 was \$ 81,557.45, while the Money Market balance was \$ 8,940.44. The receipts totaled \$1,960.00, while expenses were \$ 2,269.94. The total balance of both the checking and money market accounts as of 3/21/11 was \$ 90,187.95. Motion to adopt the Treasurer's report was made by Ed Adams, and was seconded by Greg Africa. Discussion, motion carried.

Secretary's Announcement/New Members: No New Member Applications Submitted. The membership numbers remain the same as last month's report as follows: 284 Members; 232 Associate Members; 38 retired; and 21 Life & Honorary Members – Total Membership = 575 (249 Unpaid or 44%)

Committee Reports:

Program & Conference Committee(Co-Chairmen Hudson Myers and Paul Kahl) –

Spring Conference– Paul reported that the Conference registration form for the Spring '11 conference has been posted on the CEAM web site; Ed Adams will work with Paul to coordinate reserving the Oregon Ridge facility for the one day technical program on 5/10. Mike Warring reported that he had reserved the Baltimore County Golf Authority-owned "Greystone Golf Course" for the Monday, May 9th tournament that will feature 8:00-9:00 registration with coffee and donuts, then a "shotgun start" at 9:00 followed by lunch after golf. Mike had Doug Myers send a \$500.00 deposit check to his contact at the Greystone course to reserve the entire day for our CEAM tournament. Paul reported that there would be 2-\$50.00 door prizes for each of the last sessions (3:30 pm +/-). He will also create disposable name tags that can be affixed to conferee's shirt, and easily disposed of after the conference.

Fall Conference - Paul reported that in conformance to the discussions of the Board, the "CEAM Annual Awards" will be given out by Chairman Montgomery during the Friday "AM" session rather than at the Thursday evening affair in order to give the proper attention to the awards, and to the recipients for both County projects, as well as personal awards for members.

Scholarship Committee: (Mike Errico and Dale Coppage – Co-Chairmen) – Dale reported that the committee had revised the "Trust" agreement and that it would be posted on the web site; in addition, the Committee has revised their By-Laws, which were reviewed by the entire Board of Directors; the Committee has had someone with tax expertise to confirm that their operation as Trustees' are in fact in a tax exempt status – and this applies to the current balance of \$44,000 +/- in their savings account according to Treasurer Ron Rye; the Scholarship Committee consists of the following members for two-year terms: John Norris; Dale Coppage; Ron Rye; Jim Montgomery; Steve Young and Mike Errico; the Committee is revising the entire scope for the Committee's scholarship guideline, to now include "members" of CEAM who wish to further their education thru Bachelor degrees, as well as well as advanced degrees that relate to the CEAM organization; and finally, the University of Maryland College Park has invited interested members of the Board and Scholarship Committee to attend a luncheon at the Clarke School, of Engineering building on 4/25, or 4/26 in order to meet the current recipients of the 4 CEAM scholarship programs.

Legislative Committee: (Chairman Bob Martin) - Bob distributed summary and as synopsis of 35 proposed House Bills, as well as 12 Senate Bills for this session that if passed, may, or could have an impact on member Counties, and local government jurisdictions. In addition, Bob noted the following comments:

- HUR Funds distribution formulas stay the same for the Counties;
- Proposed \$0.10/gal fuel tax increase for the State was "killed" early in the session – would have brought an estimated \$5.0 M to the Counties, and \$8.3M to the Municipalities;
- Septic Bill will be studied by a new commission set up by the Governor;
- Teacher's Pensions will not become the financial responsibility transferred to the Counties this session;

Bob suggested that if any member of the Board had any questions concerning any of the bills, or their status, to please contact him at his office.

Membership Committee: (Chairman Todd Mohn) – (READ JEFF'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REPORT)

- 2ND DUES NOTICES WENT OUT 1/25
- 280 MEMBERS (119 UNPAID) – 43%
- 229 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS (113 UNPAID) – 49%
- 38 RETIRED (17 UNPAID) – 45%
- 21 LIFE MEMBER

TOTAL = 568....249 UNPAID (44%) Typically we only have 25-30% unpaid...and scholarship donations are down ~50%

Budget Committee: Chairman Doug Myers – No Report

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

Associate Member Advisory Committee: (Bob Sebastian & Matt Allen – Co-Chairmen) - No Report

Awards Committee: (Chairman Jim Montgomery) – No Report

SHA Liaison Committee: (Chairman Ed Adams) – No Report

Nominating Committee: (Chairman & Immediate Past President Greg Africa) – The Ballots have been mailed to the “voting members” as prescribed in the By-Laws, and the Secretary will count the ballots, and report the results at the Spring Annual meeting, and the new officer will be sworn in by President Plank.

Old Business

- **NACE Updates** – CEAM State representative Jim Wilson reported that the semi-annual NACE conference will take place from 4/17-4/21 and as in the past, he will complete a report to the Board, as well as sharing the “paper” that he will be giving on the status of our infrastructure here in Maryland.

New Business – No New Business items to discuss

Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Greg Africa, and was seconded by Ed Adams to adjourn. The next meeting of the Board will be held at 11:00 a.m. on April 28 at the MCO Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Michael Warring, P.E.
CEAM Secretary