

December 5th, 2017
MACS Meeting Minutes

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MINUTES OF MEETING (UNAPPROVED)

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

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MACS Meeting at AMC annual meeting, Kelly Inn, St. Cloud.

Pat Veraguth called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM

Attendance: Steve Jobe, Russ Heiling, Tim Eklund, Pat Veraguth, Brian Praske, Eric Schmitt, Scott Marlin, Nick Stewart, Dick Walters.

Visitors: None

Membership – Morrison County is looking to add County Surveyor services (SM). Grant County exploring adding County Surveyor duties. Also Hubbard County (PV). Renville County Administrator would like to talk with MACS early next year about having a County Surveyor (TE). We need a chair for the membership committee, Robin or Steve would be good choices (PV).

** Tim will set up a meeting with Lisa Herges, Renville County Administrator, for January/February 2018. Steve Jobe willing to help.

Membership Report: Not available

Treasurer's Report: Not available.

Legislative Report: No updates available.

** Tim will reach out to Julie to make sure we get an update for next meeting

Long Range Planning Committee: no updates available.

PLS Committee: Eric, Lisa and Pat, no updates.

Approval of Minutes: September 7th, 2017. Motion – Steve Jobe. Second – Russ Heiling. Approved.

In the minutes from our Strategic Planning meeting is a statement to the effect “The University doesn’t want money” should probably be rephrased or struck as that isn’t correct. (SJ)

Motion by Steve Jobe – “The minutes from the Strategic Planning Meeting on 10/27/2017 are still in draft form and approved only as a work in progress”. Second by Eric Schmitt. Approved

Education Committee: Reached out to St. Cloud Tech (SCT), 26 1st year, 18 2nd year students. Goal is to grow program to add second section. Certain percentage matriculate to St. Cloud State University. SCT has new K-12 coordinator to promote tech education. New Dean of Trade Mike Mendez. President position still vacant. They are looking for donations of working T-16 instruments or to finds someone who can repair the broken ones they have. (SM)

I would like promo material from other Tech Schools that offer Civil Tech (SM)

** MACS will send a letter of support for the St. Cloud State program signed by the board members. (PV and SM)

Manual Committee: We have met once by conference call to discuss updating ROW manual (BP).

** The committee should check if MN DOT is or planning to, update their ROW manual

Seminar Committee: no updates, needs a chairperson. Good feedback from seminar (PV?)

Future Cities Judging and Sponsorship Request: The judging for this will be January 20th at Dakota Tech. If you would like to help by judging you can contact Colleen Feller, colleen.feller@metroecs.u.org 612-638-1511.

** Motion to sponsor Future Cities up to \$500 by Tim Eklund, second Steve Jobe. Approved.

By Laws changes:

- Article II.1

(e) Life Members.

~~It is the intent of a Life Membership to recognize long standing members of MACS. Any MACS member who has retired from public practice and has been a member of MACS for at least 5 years is eligible for Life Membership.~~ Awarding of Life Memberships shall be within the sole discretion of the Board of Directors.

Motion – Eric Schmitt, second - Steve Jobe. Approved

- ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

(a) President. The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the association and of the board of Directors. The President shall ~~also~~ execute all deeds, bonds, or other instruments required to be executed for or on behalf of the association ~~and also serve as the official delegate to the National Association of County Surveyors.~~

(b) President-Elect. The President-Elect shall perform any and all duties of the President in his absence or inability to act, and ~~serve~~ ensure that a there is an Association's official delegate to the Association of Minnesota Counties Board of Directors. This officer shall perform such additional duties as may be assigned to the officer by the Board of Directors. In the absence or inability to act of both the president and the President-elect, the Board of Directors shall elect one of their present number as President pro-tem, who shall be vested with all the powers of the office of President, during the absence or inability.

Motion – Tim Eklund, second – Scott Marlin. Approved

Next Meeting: Next MACS meeting will be during the MSPS annual meeting February 15 in Brooklyn Center

Adjourn: Scott Marlin motion to adjourn meeting. Eric Schmitt second.

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Minutes submitted by Tim Eklund

Upcoming dates:

January 20th 2018 – Judging for the Future Cities Competition

February 14th-16th – MSPS Annual Meeting, Brooklyn Center

February 15th – MACS Annual Meeting, Brooklyn Center

February 22nd – NACS Annual Meeting in Las Vegas

March 13th-15th – MN DOT tech conference/MACS meeting TBD

May TBD – MACS meeting in Rochester hosted by Mark Severtson, Olmstead Co. Surveyor