

MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS COUNCIL
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
August 2009

The monthly meeting of the MGEC Board of Directors was held on Monday, August 10, 2009, at the MGEC office.

Present: President Peter Buchen, Vice President John Siekmeier, Secretary Len Leitner, Past President Joe Pignato, Directors Ron Dahlquist, Pat Ferrin, Jessica Forsberg (by phone), Rachel Guan, Linda Heath, Paul Kettleison, Mike Lownsbury, Lane Moll, Executive Director Dana Wheeler, and Administrative Secretary Rhonda Bauer.

Not present: Treasurer Scott Pierson.

- I. **Call to Order:** President Buchen called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** Motion to approve the minutes for the May, June and July (revised) 2009 board meetings (S/P).
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** The Finance Committee met today to review the proposed FY10 budget. A motion was made to accept the audit report and budget for 2010/2011 (S/P).
- IV. **President's Report:** John and Peter reported on the AFSCME meeting. They would like to come to our October 12 board meeting. Motion to invite them to attend (S). Motion to respond that we are not inviting AFSCME to the meeting in October (S/F).
- V. **Vice President's Report:** John reported on the Center for Transportation Studies Rep. Oberstar's forum.
- VI. **Executive Director's Report:** Dana's monthly status report was distributed.
 - A. **MnDOT Consultant Fees v MnDOT Estimates:** Form a subgroup to spend 2-3 evenings together to look at the documents and get a working knowledge of them before the report is released and is given to legislators. Linda, John, Peter and Paul will be on the subgroup.
 - B. **Contract Negotiations:** Reviewed the contract ballot that will be sent out this week to the membership via online voting.

VII. Committees

- A. **Constitution:** Schedule a meeting to draft guidelines for posting information on the web site.
- B. **Nominations:** Reviewed current slate of candidates to be announced at the September 14th Annual Meeting.
- C. **Program:** Agenda/format briefing for the Annual Meeting.
- D. **Legislative:** The next meeting is August 17th at 4:00 p.m.
- E. **Education:** Paul is still looking for a Materials instructor. They don't have to be a state employee.

VIII. New Business

- A. **Appreciation Dinner:** A motion was made that all officers receive lifetime invitations (no S).

- IX. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is the Annual Meeting on September 14, 2009, at StoneRidge Golf Course. The next regular meeting is on Monday, October 12, 2009, 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Len Leitner
Secretary

Rhonda Bauer
Administrative Secretary