

**MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING**

**Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, Missouri
July 8, 2011
M I N U T E S**

President Mark Nolte called the meeting to order.

Those present were: Mark Nolte, Ron Kliethermes, Adam Teale, Robert Ubben, Joe Carrow, Stan Emerick, Sharon Herman, Bryan Ferguson, Jim Mathis, Troy Hayes, Joe Clayton, Mike Flowers, Chris Wickern, Darrell Pratte, Gary Bockman, John Stevens, Robert Ross, Jon Cole, Mark Wiley, Paul Taylor, Fred Carroz, Mo McCullough and Sandra Boeckman.

Those absent were: Ralph Riggs, Paul Dopuch, John Teale, Rich Barr, Gerald Bader, Jim Anderson, Dan Govero, Kevin Lambeth, Norm Ellerbrock, Rich Howard, Curtis McAdams, Fermin Glasper, Mike Freeman, John Holleck, and Tim Morgan.

Minutes of the May 5, 2011 Board of Directors meeting was reviewed. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented.** On a vote, this motion was approved.

Financial Report: The financial report through June 27, 2011 was reviewed showing a checking account balance of \$31,507.85 with total assets in the amount of \$216,537.17. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report as presented.**

LOBBYIST REPORT: Mo McCullough reported that SB 325 was signed by the Governor on 7/7/2011. This bill contains the lien language and the statute of limitations for surveyors. He reported that the Governor vetoed SB 220 which also contained the above legislation with the addition of peer review language. He reported that he attended the DNR/LSP meeting with President Mark Nolte. Others in attendance were supervisors from LSP with DNR staff, Sen. Stouffer and Rep. Korman and all the members of the Land Survey Advisory Committee as well as a representative from the Missouri Dept. of Agriculture. The meeting was facilitated by a DNR attorney. The members present asked for more information and additional data for the next meeting which is scheduled for July 26 in Jefferson City.

REGISTRATION BOARD REPORT: Mike Flowers reported on the Board activity from the last meeting which was held in May 2011. He noted that Mike Freeman had attended the NCEES meeting where there was discussion about computerized testing being in place by 2012. He noted that a degree program is being pushed at the national level and Arkansas had just passed a mandate for a LS to have an associate degree. He reported that the PDU reporting form had been revised for easier reporting. He discussed the new title block rule that was effective on January 1. He noted that there were still vacancies on the Board including the Chair position. Their next meeting will be in August in Blue Springs.

LAND SURVEY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Stan Emerick reported that three members of the Committee attended the DNR/LSP meeting. He feels that if there are dollars to take that DNR will appropriate them. He planned to attend the next meeting in July.

STATE LAND SURVEYOR REPORT: Darrell Pratte reported that Rick Reese and Mike

McLaughlin had retired leaving only two PLSs in the program and Steve Weible in the parks section. He also reported that Jason Lorts returned to the program, and he is an LSIT. He reported that the Height Modernization project had to be cancelled due to staff reductions and that the horizontal and vertical control documents are now available on the internet for FREE. Also, available soon will be the corner documents on the website at a cost of \$1.00 per document. He reported that the Secretary of State is restoring some old maps and they will be available digitally on the website. He discussed the budget and legislative priorities of the LSP including fee increase, increase salaries and sweep bills. He reported that a cadastral standards stakeholder's meeting will be held July 14 at the Missouri Conservation Department.

NSPS GOVERNORS REPORT: Bill Kankolenski, absent. It was reported that the NSPS annual meeting was being held in San Diego and Bill was attending on behalf of MSPS.

CHAPTER REPORTS:

Metro/Kansas City: Robert Ubben had no report.

St. Louis: No report.

Ozark: Paul Taylor reported that the chapter was planning a "trial run" for the BBQ in August in preparation for the annual meeting.

Southeast: No report.

Southwest: Joe Clayton reported that the Timmons Corporation had donated vehicles and equipment to several Joplin surveyors who were impacted by the recent tornado. He reported that the area is still in need of assistance and anyone with time could volunteer through the website www.rebuildjoplin.org. It was reported that the Ozark Chapter was scheduled to have a work day in Joplin. Clayton will let the MSPS Board know about areas in need of help and a message could be sent to the membership via email.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Annual Meeting Committee: Gary Bockman reported that everything was in place for the annual meeting. He will solicit sponsors for the buses to the Friday night dinner site and contact Craig Ruble to be the MC for the "Talent contest"

Awards Committee: Troy Hayes reported that the committee had been polled and will vote soon on the award winners for 2011.

County Surveyors: Gerald Bader, absent. It was reported that the County Surveyors annual meeting was scheduled for July 23.

CST Committee: Kevin DeSain, absent. Mr. DeSain sent a written report and asked that the CST program be endorsed similar to the endorsement given to the Review Course. After discussion, **a motion was made and seconded to request the course material and**

syllabus outlines and have the MSPS Education Committee review the course before this approval could be given. After a vote, this motion was approved.

Education Committee: Dan Govero, absent. Boeckman reported on plans for the upcoming sessions – Review Course and the 2012 Spring Workshop.

GIS/Vision 21 Committee: Joe Clayton reported that a stakeholder’s meeting is being held on July 14 on the new cadastral standards.

Handbook Committee: Norman Ellerbrock, absent, no report.

History Committee: Stan Emerick reported that he will have auction items for the annual meeting in October.

Legislative Committee: Troy Hayes, reported on the 2012 Legislation proposals: Land Survey program would be the priority with changes to the education requirements and standards after language is submitted to the legislative committee and Board of Directors. He was asked to coordinate a meeting before the October annual meeting for the committee to review proposed legislation.

Membership Committee: Adam Teale, Chair, reported that membership in MSPS is at a 12-year low and that there was a 4% reduction in the number licensed. Complimentary student membership was discussed as a means to get additional members.

MoDOT Committee: Chairman Gary Bockman reported that a meeting was held in May. The committee was looking at the procedures from the departments of transportation in Illinois and Texas. With the MoDOT making staff reductions, another meeting will be later in the year.

Newsletter Committee: John Holleck, Editor, absent.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Ralph Riggs, absent. The nominating committee presented the following five individuals that are willing to be on the ballot at the annual meeting and elected to board positions. Chris Wickern, Robert Ross, Jerrod Hogan, Fermin Glasper and Gerald Bader. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the recommendation by the committee and was approved after a vote by the Board.**

PAC Committee: It was reported that the PAC fund currently was at \$4,034.02. It was suggested that a donation be given to Sen. Bill Stouffer and Rep. Bart Korman.

Public Relations/Internal Affairs Committee: Chairman Rich Howard, absent. Chris Wickern reported that the Dept. of Agriculture would be willing to rent us space for a display for \$780 for a 10 x 10 space and he noted that entry tickets would be about \$320; however, there wouldn’t be any storage for our supplies and everything would have to be taken away each night and brought back each morning to the fair. Discussion centered on DNR denying us space this year; therefore, we will not pay to have an alternate space at the fair. **A motion**

was made and seconded to not have a display at the Missouri State Fair for 2011. On a vote of the Board everyone agreed to the motion with one “no” vote.

Scholarship: Chairperson John Stevens reported that there were nine applications for the scholarship this year and none of the applications reported that they were going into surveying; therefore, the committee recommended not to award a scholarship in 2011.

Standards Committee: Bill Kankolenski, absent. It was reported that this committee had been stalled and President Nolte asked Chris Wickern and Stan Emerick to co-chair the committee in the interim. It was also suggested that a meeting be held before the annual meeting in October.

Trig-Star: Tim Morgan, Chair, absent. Boeckman was asked to contact Tim Morgan for a newsletter article about the Missouri Trigstar winner.

OLD BUSINESS:

Central Chapter Bylaws: Jon Cole reviewed for the Board the changes that were made to the Bylaws as suggested by the MSPS Board. After review **a motion was made to approve the bylaws as amended.** On a vote, this motion was approved unanimously. The bylaws of the Chapter will be presented to the MSPS Membership at the annual meeting for their approval, as per the MSPS Bylaws.

NEW BUSINESS

Mandatory Recording: The last survey on mandatory recording that was in the Missouri Surveyor was discussed. With only 28 responses it was decided to be inconclusive. Boeckman was asked to do another “Survey Monkey” questionnaire as soon as possible so that results could be discussed at the annual meeting in October.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.