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

MSPS Office, Jefferson City, Missouri December 3, 2011, 9:30 a.m. MINUTES

President Joe Carrow called the meeting to order.

Those present were: Joe Carrow, Mark Nolte, Adam Teale, Robert Ubben, Stan Emerick, Sharon Herman, Bryan Ferguson, Jim Mathis, Gerald Bader, Robert Ross, Paul Dopuch, Joe Clayton, Gary Bockman, Bob Myers, Jim Anderson, Rich Barr, Dan Govero and Sandra Boeckman.

Those absent were: Darrel Pratte, Troy Hayes, Curtis McAdams, Kevin DeSain, Norm Ellerbrock, Rich Howard, John Holleck, John Stevens, and Chris Wickern.

<u>Minutes of the July 8, 2011</u> 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.

<u>Financial Report</u>: The financial report through November 1, 2011 was reviewed showing a checking account balance of \$75,144.66 with total assets in the amount of \$259,729.79. A motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report as presented.

REGISTRATION BOARD REPORT: Dan Govero reported that there had been fewer complaints and therefore fewer fines. He noted that there are still problems with licensees adhering to Minimum Standards. He reported that the Board members wanted to work with MSPS to get LSIT education requirements changed with legislation this year. He also reported on a brochure that the Registration Board created entitled "State of Missouri Requirements regarding the use of Professional Seals and the practice of Architecture, Professional Engineering, Professional Land Surveying and Landscape Architecture."

LAND SURVEY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Stan Emerick reported that a meeting would be held on January 18 in Rolla at the LSP building. Board members and other were invited to attend.

STATE LAND SURVEYOR REPORT: Darrell Pratte sent a written report which is attached.

NSPS GOVERNORS REPORT: New NSPS Governor Troy Hayes was in Virginia to attend a meeting of the Board of Governors.

CHAPTER REPORTS:

<u>Metro/Kansas City</u>: Robert Ubben reported that the Metro chapter was reinvented with seminars being held at Longview Community College.

St. Louis: No report.

<u>Ozark</u>: Gary Bockman reported that the chapter will continue to have 2-hour seminars in 2012 and the chapter meetings will be held at the Bass Pro restaurant Hemingway's.

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<u>Southeast</u>: Bryan Ferguson reported that the chapter met recently to install new officers and directors and that they will be offering seminars in 2012.

Southwest: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Annual Meeting Committee</u>: Dan Govero reported that plans were underway to coordinate a spouse's program and find a venue for the Friday night dinner away from the hotel at a St. Louis attraction.

Awards Committee: Troy Hayes, absent, no report.

County Surveyors: Gerald Bader reported that elections would be held in March 2012.

<u>CST Committee</u>: Kevin DeSain, absent. Mr. DeSain sent a written report stating that the St. Charles Community College had committed to having at least one more CST class.

<u>Education Committee</u>: Dan Govero reported that he needed a panel of surveyors and recorders to participate in the Spring Workshop program. He noted that Larry Phipps had agreed to moderate the panel and would be doing the entire second day of the workshop. He noted that he would be trying to revise the minimum standards workshop to make it more interesting, and would then be working on the annual meeting in St. Louis with a possible theme of "Future of Surveying."

GIS/Vision 21 Committee: Joe Clayton reported that a stakeholder's meeting would be held on December 9.

Handbook Committee: Norman Ellerbrock, absent, no report.

<u>History Committee</u>: Stan Emerick reported the committee had made a slight profit at the last meeting with the reproduction of prints and announced that the scanner is still available to MSPS members.

Legislative Committee: Bob Myers reported on the draft of the legislation to restore the Land Survey Program funding. He also gave the board some background on the institution of the program and how it had progressed over the years. After much discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed legislation (60.560) for introduction as discussed. On a vote this motion was approved unanimously. Mark Nolte reported on his discussion with Director Parker Pauley noting that she appeared to be ready to move forward - Mo McCullough will meet with the DNR attorney Patrick Lynn and Legislative Research to get this legislation ready. The Board thanked Bob Myers for all his hard work on this project.

There was then discussion on the education requirements and the number of hours that an LSIT should be required to fulfill, as well as the number of years after passage that the

additional hours would be effective. A motion was made and seconded to proceed with 30 hours in the legislation with the understanding that MSPS will work to add additional hours toward a degree program. This motion was approved. There was an additional motion and second to accept the Board of Registration's suggested 30 hours (24 CEUs) and increase Legal Aspects from two to five hours. This motion was approved.

A subcommittee was appointed to rewrite the Education language - Adam Teale will chair with Rich Barr and Gary Bockman

<u>Membership Committee</u>: Adam Teale, Chair, reported MSPS currently had 75% of all PLSs registered in the state as members.

MoDOT Committee: Chairman Gary Bockman reported MoDOT was still reorganizing and this committee would be working on information from other states.

Newsletter Committee: John Holleck, Editor, absent.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Mark Nolte reported that it was suggested that some changes could be made to the Land Survey Advisory Committee - that many members' terms had expired. Dopuch reported that he had resigned and that he had served three terms and Ray Riggs would also be resigning. He asked that Stan Emerick be allowed to stay as Chair for continuity.

PAC Committee: It was reported that the PAC fund currently was at \$2,634.02.

Public Relations/Internal Affairs Committee: Chairman Rich Howard, absent, no report

Scholarship: Chairperson John Stevens, absent, no report.

Standards Committee: Stan Emerick reported that the Standards committee will have a meeting on January 21 at the MSPS office.

Trig-Star: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Sales Tax Exemption:</u> Boeckman reported that the Department of Revenue had denied the Missouri sales tax exemption that has been in effect for 10 years stating that the association was paying a lobbyist as the reason for the discontinuance. It was suggested that Boeckman inquire if the association has any basis to hire legal counsel to fight this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

Staff Contracts:

Lobbyist: After discussion on the increase in the retainer, a motion was made and

seconded to approve the contract as presented. On a vote, this motion was approved unanimously. The retainer will increase from \$18,000 to \$20,400 with an additional \$2,000 in the budget for legislative/lobbyist expenses.

Executive Director Contract was approved by a motion and second with the addition of a \$1,500 bonus.

<u>2012 Budget:</u> After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the budget as submitted. This motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.