

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

**MSPS Office, Jefferson City, Missouri
Saturday, December 7, 2013, 9:00 a.m.
M I N U T E S**

President Robert Ubben called the meeting to order.

Those present were: Robert Ubben, Sharon Herman, Robert Ross, Jerry Bader (by conference call), Joe Clayton, Chris Wickern, Richard Howard, Rich Barr, Susanne Daniel, Adam Teale, Dan Govero, Mark Wiley, Chuck Quinby, Wil Anderson and Sandra Boeckman.

Those absent were: Norman Ellerbrock, Mike Freeman, Mike Flowers, Kevin DeSain, Darrell Pratte, Stan Emerick, Troy Hayes, Dick Elgin, Curtis McAdams, Lou Gilbert, Jim Anderson, John Lilak, Chris Spears, Earl Graham, Don Martin, and John Stevens.

Michael Gray and Jim Mathis asked to be excused from the meeting due to weather conditions. **This was approved by a motion and second to excuse Gray and Mathis from the meeting.**

Minutes of the July 12, 2013 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 December 6, 2013 was reviewed showing a checking account balance of \$7,011.07 with total assets in the amount of \$162,433.37. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report as presented.**

REGISTRATION BOARD REPORT: Dan Govero reported on the passing rate for persons taking the land surveying tests for registration. He reported that the passing rate was very low on all aspects of the test.

LAND SURVEY ADVISORY COMMISSION: Stan Emerick, absent. It was reported that no meetings have been held since no one has been appointed to the Commission by the Governor.

STATE LAND SURVEYOR REPORT: Darrell Pratte, absent. A written report was sent from Mr. Pratte that is attached to these minutes. The report includes progress since becoming a program under the Department of Agriculture and it also contains a report on current and future projects. Noteworthy is the \$60,000 back in the program for County Surveyor Cooperative Corner Restoration program. He also reported that the fiscal year budget is looking very good with \$545,400 coming in during the first five months of the fiscal year.

NSPS GOVERNORS REPORT: NSPS Governor Troy Hayes, absent. Rich Barr reported that he attended the most recent meeting where these four issues were given priority: (1) Privacy Concerns - Geolocation and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS); (2) Locating Pipelines, Railroad and Underground Infrastructure: Enhancing Accuracy and Safety; (3) Improving Federal Geospatial Coordination: Map It Once, Use It Many Times Act; and (4) Labor Department Transparency on the Davis-Bacon Act and Survey Crews.

CHAPTER REPORTS:

Kansas City: No report.

St. Louis: Chuck Quinby reported on the progress for the 250th anniversary celebration of the founding of St. Louis

Ozark: No report.

Southeast: No report.

Southwest: No report.

Central: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Annual Meeting Committee: Wil Anderson, Chairman, reported that a committee meeting was being held on January 14. Members of the planning committee also include Dick Elgin, Robert Ubben, and Jim Anderson as well as the Kansas Executive Valeri Peltier. The joint meeting with Kansas is planned for October 23-25 in Overland Park, Kansas

Awards Committee: Curtis McAdams, absent. It was reported that there are concerns about the same people on this committee year after year. It was suggested that additional members were needed and chapters should be participating.

County Surveyors: Jerry Bader had no report at this time.

CST Committee: Kevin DeSain, absent, no report.

Education Committee: Dan Govero discussed the Spring Workshop and the need for one additional speaker. There was discussion about the possibility of getting the minimum standards as a webinar. This will need to be done after the new minimum standards are approved; therefore, the minimum standards workshop for 2014 will still be held in Jefferson City.

GIS/Vision 21 Committee: Joe Clayton had no report.

Handbook Committee: Norman Ellerbrock, absent. No report.

History Committee: Stan Emerick, absent. In his written report Mr. Emerick asked for \$3,500 to be added to the History Committee line item in the budget for the 250th anniversary of the founding of St. Louis activities.

Legislative Committee: Rich Barr discussed the possibility of re-submitting the education bill through the senate in the upcoming session. If it passes the Senate, it is hoped to get the

bill in the General Laws committee where one of the land surveyor Representatives is a member. The legislation on Chapter 327 will be introduced by the Design Alliance without this language.

There was discussion about the number that are currently enrolled in surveying classes at different educational institutions around the state and universities in bordering states. Also discussed was their programs. There was also discussion about the Coop surveying program presented by Dan Govero and working this program with one of the state departments such as Department of Labor.

Membership Committee: John Lilak, Chair, absent. It was reported that dues statements will be mailed in December.

MoDOT Committee: Chris Spears and Earl Graham were absent, no report.

Newsletter Committee: Don Martin, Editor, absent. A written report was distributed to Board members asking for articles and photos for the newsletter.

Nominating Committee: Sharon Herman, Chair had no report at this time.

PAC Committee: Rich Barr reported that there will be a request for PAC funds that will be mailed with membership dues notices.

Public Relations/Sales Committee: Chairmen Rich Howard and Charles Quinby reported that they would be in contact with the Department of Agriculture regarding the State Fair. They also reported that sales were very good at the recent annual meeting.

Scholarship: Chairperson John Stevens, absent, no report.

Standards Committee: Stan Emerick, absent. It was reported that the standards are finished with the exception of the state land surveyor finalizing the promulgation.

Trig-Star: Chairman John Stevens, absent, no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

2014 Budget: After review, there was a motion and a second to approve the budget as presented. On a vote, this motion was approved.

2014 Staff Contracts: Both contracts (executive director and lobbyist) were approved by the board in a closed session. Boeckman was given a bonus for the year.

NEW BUSINESS

Coop Program: It was reported that there may be some money for this project in the state budget.

Strategic Planning: It was suggested that a strategic planning session should be held with Board members and a few other key members present. A facilitator will be sought for this Board activity and dates for early 2014 will be reviewed.

Recording Task Force: Mark Wiley discussed the next step for the committee. It was requested that the committee write proposed legislation for Board review.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.