

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

**Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, Missouri  
May 8, 2014, 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, Jerry Bader, Chris Wickern, Richard Howard, Mike Gray, Jim Mathis, Rich Barr, Susanne Daniel, Joe Clayton, Adam Teale, Troy Hayes, Darrell Pratte, John Stevens, Chuck Quinby, Aubrey Meyer, Mike Freeman, and Sandra Boeckman.

Those absent were: Dan Govero, Jim Anderson, Wil Anderson, Norman Ellerbrock, Mike Flowers, Kevin DeSain, Stan Emerick, Dick Elgin, Curtis McAdams, Lou Gilbert, John Lilak, Earl Graham, Don Martin.

A motion was made and seconded to excuse Robert Ross from the meeting. **On a vote, this motion was approved.**

**Minutes of the February 19, 2014** 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 May 1, 2014 was reviewed showing a checking account balance of \$51,648.60 with total assets in the amount of \$206,821.69. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report as presented.**

**REGISTRATION BOARD REPORT:** Mike Freeman reported that the Board's last meeting was held in St. Louis. He reported that there was another decline in applications and complaints were down. He discussed the Chapter 327 legislation as well as the education requirements bill. He also asked where the new minimum standards stood with the director of Agriculture, and he noted that the Governor had appointed two new architects to the Registration Board

**LAND SURVEY ADVISORY COMMISSION:** No report.

**STATE LAND SURVEYOR REPORT:** Darrell Pratte reported on the budget noting that the program will be at about a \$20,000 deficient at the end of the year. He reported that a project surveyor salary has increased by \$5,000 and discussed the promotions that are taking place with all the current staff.

**NSPS GOVERNORS REPORT:** NSPS Governor Troy Hayes submitted a written report on the meeting in San Diego. He reported that there are currently 46 states that have affiliate membership. He discussed the issue with getting younger people involved noting the average age for a current surveyor is 58. He discussed FIG and their mission to get more youth and women involved in surveying. He reported that the NSPS insurance provider had an excellent program that should be reviewed by members and noted that the CST program is being expanded.

## **CHAPTER REPORTS:**

Kansas City: Robert Ubben reported that the Kansas City chapter is assisting with Kansas in a Boy Scout project.

St. Louis: Chuck Quinby reported on the progress for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the founding of St. Louis “Survey Party at the Arch” and discussed all the plans for laying out the first three blocks of St. Louis, the demonstrations and re-enactments and the need for volunteers and donations. **A motion was made and seconded to denote \$1,000 for the event. On a vote, this motion was approved.**

Ozark: It was reported that the chapter will hold a picnic in June and was holding a workshop on recognizing meth labs.

Southeast: It was reported that a minimum standards workshop was planned for the summer.

Southwest: It was reported that a workshop featuring Wendy Lathrop would be held during the summer.

Central: It was reported that the Central Chapter held a meeting recently in Columbia.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Annual Meeting Committee: A copy of the draft of the annual meeting flyer was reviewed and it was the consensus of the Board that the program was shaping up. They asked for more information about the sporting clays on Thursday afternoon.

Awards Committee: Curtis McAdams, absent, no report.

County Surveyors: Jerry Bader reported that Loyd Todd had been elected as President and would begin attending meetings of the MSPS Board.

CST Committee: Kevin DeSain, absent, no report.

Education Committee: It was reported that the agenda for the minimum standards workshop was in place and approved for PDUs and that Dan Govero was working on the 2015 Spring workshop as a mock trial.

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

Handbook Committee: Norman Ellerbrock, absent, no report.

History Committee: Stan Emerick, absent, no report.

Legislative Committee: Rich Barr discussed the MSPS education bill, SB704 and Rep. Burlison’s objections to the bill. He reported that Joe Clayton testified at the hearing and that

the Chapter 327 legislation had a good chance of passing.

**Membership Committee:** John Lilak, Chair, absent. A chart of the current membership numbers was distributed for review.

**MoDOT Committee:** Robert Ubben reported that a committee meeting is being planned for Jefferson City in the near future.

**Newsletter Committee:** Don Martin, Editor, absent. It was announced that the June issue of the newsletter was being prepared.

**Nominating Committee:** Sharon Herman, Chair reported that a plea for nominations would appear in the June newsletter.

**PAC Committee:** Rich Barr reported that currently there is a balance of \$2,904.28 in the PAC account.

**Public Relations/Sales Committee:** Chairmen Rich Howard and Charles Quinby discussed the need for state fair items and volunteers. **A motion was made to adjust the budget, taking \$1,500 from the history committee and \$500 from Trigstar for the state fair. On a vote, this motion was approved.**

**Scholarship:** Chairperson John Stevens reported that a non-traditional scholarship was awarded in the amount of \$500 and a Trigstar scholarship will be awarded which will bring the balance in the scholarship account down to \$1,000 in the fund. **A motion was made and seconded to not award a Bob Pirrie Scholarship this year due to not having any appropriate candidates and the lack of funds in the account. On a vote, this motion was approved.**

**Standards Committee:** Stan Emerick, absent. No report.

**Trig-Star:** Chairman John Stevens, reported that the Trigstar winner for Missouri was once again in the Ozark County area and would receive the \$750 scholarship. Thanks go to Matt Wade who administers the test in that area.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**None**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Land Surveying Test** Joe Clayton discussed the possible need for a statute change to extend the time limit on taking the Land Survey exam. He was asked to discuss this with Dick Elgin.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.