



The New York State Society of Professional Engineers, Inc.

The Founding Society of the National Society of Professional Engineers

RE: NYSSPE/PEC Minutes of Meeting,

Date: 7/15/12 Sunday, July 15, 2012

Location: at El Dorado West Diner, Tarrytown, NY

Attendance: Kaitlin Sajduk <ksajduk@brookerengineering.com>; "Dr. James J. Yarmus" <drjamesjyarmus@yarmusconsulting.com>, "Jeff Lamond (lamtech2@yahoo.com)" <lamtech2@yahoo.com>, Djohan Hadiprawira <djohan@brookerengineering.com>, Megan Busch <MBusch@brookerengineering.com>, "rick@mresengineering.com" <rick@mresengineering.com>, Rudi O. Sherbansky <mailrudi@yahoo.com>;

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM.
2. Dr. Jim Yarmus described his trip to the 2012 Annual National Conference of NSPE in San Diego, CA. Jim was appointed to the National PEC Board as the North East Vice- Chair, replacing Don Zang. Current NSPE Executive Director Larry Jacobson is finishing his term and his contract will not be renewed. A copy of 2012 NSPE Report which was presented to the House of Delegates at the subject conference is attached herein.
3. Jim summarized the attached 2012 NSPE Report to the House of Delegates as follows: NYSSPE membership dropped by approximately 4.68% over the period of May 2011- May 2012 to a total of 35,496 members [including 3,121 students]. NYSPE's overall membership retention rate is 79%, compared to 87% and 91% retention rates in all U.S. non-profit associations and trade associations respectively. The highest members' retention rate of 90-93% was in the age group of 50-90 years of age. The lowest members' retention rate of 40-50% was in the age group of 20-30 years of age. Of the 25,416 PE's currently registered in New York State only 55% are New York State residents and only 13.6% of PE's who are NYS residents are members of NYSSPE. Current NSPE president Dan Wittliff P.E. has put in place a goal for a 2% increase next year for the Society. In order to accomplish this, everyone must be a part of the solution. NSPE would like to work with states on their membership recruitment whenever possible. The differences in the membership pricing and benefits offered by the various states do not allow national any

economy of scale on recruitment pieces; however, some money has been set aside to partner on joint marketing efforts.

4. Dr. Jim Yarmus described the NSPE Leader Conference on the topic of the Race for Relevance & NSPE Path Forward Session. A copy of the slide presentation and the vision of the goals and objectives of NSPE by the chair of National PEC, Tom Paxson, P.E. is attached herein.
5. Rudi described the development of a search committee spear headed by past president Don Nims and current president, Mike Hayes, which was formed in the wake of the resignation by our NYSSPE executive director, Kelly Norris. The search committee includes president elect: Keith Lashway, current treasurer Larry O'Connor, regional vice-president Al Brand and PEC chair Rudi Sherbansky.
6. Rudi provided an update on NYSSPE Membership count. As of July 2012 NYSSPE Membership was a total 1898 members [excluding students] which is a 125 member's drop from the April 2012 membership of 2023 members. Rudi will provide the updated map of NYSSPE membership by counties [updated to July 2012] and will attach to the back of the minutes of this meeting.
7. Jeff Lamond volunteered to contact chapter presidents, select venues and schedule monthly dates for PDH count. Ed. seminars at the Orange-Sullivan counties chapter, Dutchess- Ulster counties chapter. Rick Miller volunteered to provide the first 2 PDH approved lecture at each of the above chapters. Rudi will send out survey monkey notifications and RVSPE to the events and Jeff will man the reception desks and collect fees at the events with other chapter volunteers.
8. Rudi will contact JoAnne at McLaren Engineering [Rockland – Westchester counties coverage] to set up a tentative schedule of PDH continuing lectures for the fall of 2012 – 2013. Dhohan will set up a tentative list or schedule of lectures providers for each of the dates on the lecture schedule.
9. PEC Expense policy: The PEC committee voted and unanimously approved to authorize officer travel reimbursement for fiscal year 2012 – 2013. The authorized travel reimbursements allow include travel expenses, commute expenses, registration fees, hotel expenses and incidentals associated with the travel to NYSSPE, NSPE and PEC events.

The meeting ended at 11:30 AM. Our next PEC meeting is scheduled for September 2012. Kate will schedule and announce the next meeting date, tentatively set to take place at the El Dorado West Diner, Tarrytown, NY.

Submitted by Rudi O. Sherbansky, reviewed and approved by all of the attentive members listed above.