



**NYSSPE – PE's in Construction Practice Division monthly meeting:
Professional Engineers in Construction [PEC]**

**Location: El Dorado West
Tarrytown, NY**

New York State Society of Professional Engineers

**To: Members of Committee, Professional Engineers in Construction, NYSSPE
NYSSPE President James Yarmus, PE, PhD
Kelly Norris, Executive Director, NYSSPE
Marc Kriss, Esq., NYSSPE Counsel
Pat Markes, NYSSPE Staff
Jen Miller, NYSSPE Staff**

Re: Minutes of PEC monthly meeting,

Meeting Attendees:

Present: Jim Yarmus, Jeff Lamond, Jeremy Reiss, Kaspal Thumma, Hadi Djohan, Rudi Sherbansky, Shardul Patel, Kate Sajduk.

Meeting Date: November 8, 2009. 9:15 am.

The following issues were discussed at the meeting:

1. PEC noted the upcoming NYSSPE Board Meeting on Friday, November 13 in the new headquarters offices at 6 Airline Drive , Albany , NY. Jim and Rudi plan to attend the meeting.
2. PEC welcomed a new member, Kate Sajduk, Brooker Engineering, who just joined the society and attended this meeting.
3. PEC discussed Jim's new lecture, Ethics in Construction Management, to be held at McLaren Engineering on Tuesday, November 10th at 5:45pm. The lecture will incorporate ethics cases by the NSPE Ethics Review Board into Construction

Management. Rudi will assist Jim in reviewing ethics cases and refining the slide show. Gil Gideon will assist in reviewing the presentation for PDH approval and printing the attendance sheets and the course certificates. Kaspal will attend the lecture and will register and collect the fees from attendees.

4. PEC discussed the possibility of teaming up with the International Masonry Institute [IMI] and the Precast concrete institute [PCI] to offer NYSSPE members lectures in both masonry and precast constructed construction methods & techniques. The firsts IMI lecture was conducted at McLaren in October with over 75 engineers in attendance. The first PCI course is scheduled at McLaren on January 5th, 2009.

5. PEC discussed plans to invite representatives of Honeywell and Rheem to conduct lectures on air quality controls and tankless water heaters that are certified by AIA for 1 learning unit each. The first presentation is scheduled in McLaren during the first week of December, 2009. Rudi to coordinate with manufacturers' representatives and to send out invitations to all NYSSPE members in the vicinity.

6. PEC discussed plans to contact NYSSPE chapters in Albany , Rochester , Nassau and New York to establish and schedule PEC continuing education seminars throughout NYS regions to all members of the society. Rudi sent emails to chapter reps in Albany [Jim Kuhn,], Nassau, Laura Pellizzi laura.pellizzi@stonybrook.edu; and New York, Erich Arcement earcement@samschwartz.com; and previously discussed the PEC presentation with Tom Mitchell tmitchell@bergmannpc.com; in Rochester. Rudi is to schedule dates and venues for PEC presentations with those other 4 regions. Jeff also assisted in preparing a spreadsheet for the schedule of the PEC course presentations in the 5 regions.

7. Hadi Djohan will discuss producing a continuing education presentation with Brian Brooker, which will be sponsored and organized by PEC. Djohan to present suggested topics and slide show by next meeting.

8. The mentorship forum scheduled for November 12th was postponed due to poor attendance. The 6 students who showed interest in the event were invited with complementary pass to the November 10th presentation at McLaren Engineering [see paragraph 3 above]. Peter will contact Engineering Expo reps to obtain contact list of participating school in order to arrange an invitation to the mentorship program that is targeted to students participating or invited to the Engineering Expo. A mentorship seminar is also planned for the Engineering Expo in March 2010.

9. Jeff Lamond is working on a PR article by PEC on the topic on infrastructure maintenance. Jeff will interview several NYSSPE member companies and will include their opinion regarding NYS infrastructure maintenance in the article. The article will also discuss PEC outreach activities and forums offered to NYSSPE members.

10. PEC acknowledged the passing away of notable engineer, Elies Elvove, PE , with distinguished service to our society.

Elies Elvove, PE , LT COL , USAF (Retired), passed away peacefully on November 3, 2009, in Scarsdale , NY , at the age of 92. Eli was born and raised in Paris , KY , but had lived most of his life in New York . Elie was President of the NYC Chapter in 1954 and in 1983. He will be strongly missed. Eli will be remembered as a passionate, accomplished and ethical engineer and a gentleman of many interests and talents. He is survived by his wife Barbara, three sons and four grandchildren.

11. The PEC committee approved a budget for fiscal year 2009-2010 with general estimate of the revenues and expenses, as follows;

PEC Estimated Income Budget:

PEC Dues Income [All figures are estimated]	\$1,100.00
PEC Continuing Ed. Income	\$4,500.00
PEC Sponsorship Income	\$1,500.00
PEC Silent Auctions Income	\$ 500.00
PEC Conference Participation Income	\$ 500.00
PEC Other Income	\$ 500.00

Total Estimated PEC Income: \$ 8,600.00

PEC Estimated Expense Budget:

PEC Officers Reimbursements expenses	\$3,500.00
PEC Meeting Expenses	\$1,500.00
PEC PR Madden Communication Contract Exp;	\$2,000.00
PEC Other Expenses	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
Total Estimated PEC Expenses:	-\$ 7,500.00

PEC PD Prior year fund balance/reserves [Sept. '09] \$ 15,992.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED PEC Balance at end of 2009-2010 \$ 17,092.00

[All figures are estimated as of November 13, 2009]