



Structural Engineers Association of Montana Meeting Minutes

Date: November 1, 2007

Location: Joint Engineers Conference, Red Lion Colonial Inn - Gallery Room, Helena, MT

- 1.0 **Welcome and Call to Order:** Kurt Keith, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed the attendees.
- 2.0 **Role Call:** Zach Diede, Secretary, distributed sign up sheets (see attached).
- 3.0 **Review/approval of Minutes from 3/1/2007 meeting:** It was moved by Alfred Hendrickson to approve the meeting minutes from the 11-02-06 meeting and seconded by Janna Moser.
- 4.0 **Treasurer's Report:** Janna Moser gave report.
- 5.0 **Form Nomination Committee for 2008 Elections:** There were no volunteers during the meeting.
- 6.0 **Review Open Action Items From Previous Meeting:**
 - Snow Load Committee: Steve Brackman gave report on current progress, letter asking for donations has not yet been sent
 - Scholarship/Spending Priorities: Kurt Keith gave summary report, Alfred, Jesse, Matt Schmidt and Kurt to discuss further and report back to group at next meeting. The membership priority survey summary will hopefully help show group's priorities.
- 7.0 **Committee Reports:**
 - **Structural Engineers Emergency Response (SEER) Committee** - Co-Chairpersons: Greg Benjamin and Dave Roberts
 - There was a discussion regarding next ATC-20 training
 - Greg was also going to check on Good-Samaritan laws and their applicability when reviewing buildings for occupancy safety after a natural disaster
 - **Building Code Committee** - Co-Chairpersons: Jason Hicks and Gary Grassel
 - Recap of SEAMT booth at Code Conference and Jason would like to have booths as future events
 - Gary has joined MT chapter of ICC and attended meeting
 - Building officials would welcome the help of SEAMT engineers to host continuing education classes, this would hopefully help educate building officials and develop a better working relationship
 - **Government Relations Committee** – Chairperson: OPEN
 - Derek Brown to make inquiry on representative for Building Codes Division at state level
 - **Membership Committee** - Chairperson: Alfred Hendrickson
 - Alfred gave summary report of membership

- **Continuing Education Committee** - Chairperson: Dan Van Luchene
 - Dan gave report of agenda for Spring Engineering Conference in February 2008
- **Information Committee** - Chairperson: Carol Pivonka
 - Will Freese asked for content for upcoming newsletter
 - A discussion was had by the group regarding the printing costs for the newsletter and if going to strictly a digital version would be acceptable

8.0 Report from SEAMT Delegate to the NCSEA convention: Will Freese

- Will reported on future S.E. licensing
- Will also reported on the engineer certification program by NCSEA

9.0 Q & A with Dave Cook, Program Manager, MT Building Standards Program

- Dave Cook gave update on changes at the Building Standards Program
 - They are trying to create an automated system and increase standardization

10.0 Meeting Closure:

- Alex Huffield made motion to close meeting, Jason Hicks seconded the motion and meeting was adjourned



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