

MINUTES

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7 AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011
ARIZONA BILTMORE HOTEL
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

In Attendance: **President** David R. Gaboury, P.E.; **President-Elect** David A. Schoenwolf, P.E.; **Secretary/Treasurer** Kurt R. Fraese, L.G.; **Directors-at-Large** Joel G. Carson, Mark K. Kramer, P.E., Gordon M. Matheson, Ph.D., P.E., P.G., Steven D. Thorne, P.E., D.GE, and Woodward L. Vogt, P.E.; **Terra Liaison** James L. Withiam, Ph.D., P.E., D.GE; **Executive Vice President** John P. Bachner; **Operations Director** Sarah P. Lanning; **Membership Director/Organizational Relations Director** Colleen F. Knight; **Program Director** Kristen J. Dineen; **Membership Manager** Susan A. Ford; and an additional 121 persons representing 82 ASFE-Member Firms

1. Convene

Mr. Gaboury convened the meeting at 7:45AM.

2. Minutes

UPON MOTION BY JAMES JOHNSTON, SECONDED BY KEVIN HOPPE, AND PASSED, the membership approved as distributed minutes of its April 8-9, 2011 meeting.

3. President's Remarks

Mr. Gaboury reviewed the draft of ASFE's 2012-2015 strategic plan and urged attendees to review it and provide comments. He also reported on progress made during the first six months, noting that they would soon receive a link to the full ix-month progress report.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Fraese reviewed ASFE's financial performance to date in FY2011-12.

5. External Relations Committee

Mr. Neuhaus reported on the Committee's progress, noting that 18 organizations met together on October 6 to discuss formation of tentatively titled The Geoprofessional Foundation, an organization whose purpose would be creating more awareness of the value wise selection and employment of geoprofessionals can create.

6. Education Committee

Ms. Reinbold reported on the Committee's progress, debuting the new *ASFE Resources Directory*.

7. Construction Materials Engineering and Testing Committee

Mr. Gregory reported on the Committee's progress.

8. Engineers' Leadership Foundation

Mr. Salontai reported on the success of the Foundation's recent Engineering Better Readers program pilot programs in Newark, NJ and Houston, TX. He encouraged ASFE-Member Firms to pilot a program in their area.

9. Emerging Issues and Trends Committee

Mr. Johnson reported on the Committee's progress.

10. Recess and Reconvene

Mr. Gaboury recessed the meeting at 2:00PM and reconvened it on Saturday, October 8, at 7:45AM.

11. Recognition of Program Champions

Mr. Thorne recognized amidst applause the following individuals for their volunteered efforts to make this meeting a success:

- Lee James,
- Elizabeth Levi,
- Randy Neuhaus,
- Dick Reynolds,
- Gerry Salontai,
- Jerry Samford,
- Alex Sy,
- Leo Titus,
- Steve Thorne, and
- Mike Yost.

12. Geotechnical Committee

Mr. Smith reported on the Committee's progress.

13. New Leaders' Committee

Mr. Harwood reported on the Committee's progress.

14. Council of Fellows

Mr. Samford reported the Council's progress.

15. Environmental Committee

Mr. Johnston reported on the Committee's progress.

16. Business Practice Committee

Mr. Osgood reported on the Committee's progress.

17. Legal Affairs Committee

Mr. Yost reported on the Committee's progress.

18. Membership Committee

Mr. Kramer reported on the Committee's progress. Ms. Knight asked members to assist in membership recruitment through personal contact. She noted that ASFE has materials to assist.

19. Foundation for the Future

Mr. Fraese urged all members to support the “Foundation for the Future” effort, to support achievement of ASFE’s purpose. He noted that 52 firms have joined the effort so far, pledging to p[ay four years’ worth of dues over a three-year period.

20. Next Meeting

Mr. Thorne described plans for the 2011 Spring (Annual) Meeting in Orlando, FL.

21. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before it, and **UPON MOTION DULY SECONDED AND PASSED**, the membership adjourned its meeting at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bachner

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Executive Vice President