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8:00am – 10:00am

Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center - Bob Evans Room

Meeting Minutes

01/Welcome and Introduction (5) – Holly Abrego (HA)

HA welcomed the group and thanked them for participating the in the spring bi-annual meeting.

02/Mission and Purpose of the IAC (5) – Holly Abrego

02.01 HA stated the mission of the CSM IAC is to support the Construction Management Program with our time, money, and talents.

02.02 HA reviewed the financial report with the group. The fiscal year runs from May 1st through April 30th to coordinate with the students' school year. The retained earnings for 2014 were \$5,649.00. After the projection of contributions through either the membership dues or sponsorship opportunities and use of the committees' budgets, the IAC balance will be \$2,649.00. HA stated that LW had the membership invoices with him to distribute for the \$250.00 annual membership donation.

02.03 LW stated that the only changes to by-laws were that the group could vote in new members at the Executive level and not require the full IAC to be in attendance for acceptance.

02.04 Larry Walden stated that he had the IAC membership invoices to pass out

03/IAC Committees and Roles (10) – Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs (SEE ATTACHMENT FOR CONTACT INFO AND OPPORTUNITIES)

03.01 Marketing and Resource Development:

03.01.01 JD stated that the sponsorship plan was issued on November

03.01.02 JD stated that there was some confusion with sponsorships and donations. There will now be two accounts moving forward. The sponsorships receive some benefit in return for their funds, such as marketing, so they are not considered donations. Therefore, the sponsorship dollars are not subject to the Presidential Club points with the University.

03.01.03 Sherry Fisher stated that they are working on the donation portion of the sponsorship plan and will have more to update once they have some opportunities for companies to participate after meeting with the Executive Committee on 5/22/15.

03.02 Education:

03.02.01 Josh Myers is the co-chair with Mark Smither. Their group is looking for more members and has better direction after the accreditation was received. Josh is looking to review syllabus and provide support on the needs of the accreditation maintenance.

03.03 Mentoring:

03.03.01 HA stated that Bob Butler just held a wrap up session with the mentors and mentees. The session went really well and the group received a lot of feedback. HA stated that there were a couple companies that worked in teams so the mentees received insight from many individuals.

03.03.02 HA stated that they will start the mentoring program earlier this school year and start partnering people up in late August/early September for the 2015-16 school year.

03.04 Industry Interaction

03.04.01 Jamie Grimmelman stated that the committee had a 60" monitor installed in the computer lab for students to see various company sponsors and industry news.

03.04.02 Jamie stated that they have received a lot of involvement from the CSM club and have much more student participation and interest.

03.05 Diversity

03.05.01 Larry Walden stated that the Diversity committee is working on a survey to give to the students to truly identify their mission.

03.05.02 Larry stated that they are looking for more members and a student to become involved so they have a liaison within the college.

03.06 Research

03.06.01 HA stated that the IAC is looking for more research opportunities. AB stated that there are organizations that are looking for construction research and it is a good way for the OSU program to contribute.

04/State of the (CSM) Union (15) – Alex Belkofer

04.01 AB stated that the 2014-2015 school year was extremely successful. The program received the ACCE Accreditation. The competition teams placed 1st Place NewB Competition (University of Cincinnati), ABC National 2nd Place, and 3rd in the ASC (Chicago).

05/FABE Update (15) – Dr. Shearer

05.01 Dr. Shearer stated that recently the department completed a self-study, last time one was completed was 2007. Dr. Shearer stated that they would like to complete the self-study more often. FSI, Iowa State, and Purdue University reviewed the program.

05.01 Dr. Shearer mentioned the one thing identified was that CSM enrollment was up to 400 in 2008-2009, 2013-2014 bottomed out at 210, and 2015 back to 270 students.

05.02 Dr. Shearer stated that he wants to focus on diversity of the program, specifically women. There are only 3% of the population that is female.

05.03 Dr. Shearer stated that the recommendations from the self-study were to increase tenure track by adding two faculty positions for the program. Also they recommended collaboration with lecturers and the faculty. There would be more integration between the two groups.

05.04 Dr. Shearer stated that with the ACCE Accreditation that the format for teaching has changed and the focus is now on student outcomes rather than course content. With these new outcomes, there will be a lot more involvement with the industry.

05.05 Dr. Shearer stated that the Engineering College is accredited through ABET and there is some

argument to what program is better. Dr. Shearer indicated that the CSM program will focus on the ACCE accreditation. He mentioned that ABET has moved to student outcomes rather than course content.

06/Presentation of Awards (5) – Dr. Shearer

- 06.01 Dr. Shearer presented AB with the ACCE Plaque and thanked the group for all of the help throughout the process.
- 06.02 Dr. Shearer stated that there was a faculty award that was going to be presented at the banquet that evening to Jeff Suchy.

07/New IAC Members (5) – Larry Walden

- 07.01 Larry Walden stated that to become a member of the IAC, two people have to nominate you and they become your mentors.
- 07.02 Larry Walden stated that Heather Cassady [Turner], Trevor Bunevich [Corna-Kokosing] and Jason Robey [Marathon] all have two people nominating them. Larry Walden made a motion to have them as new members, JD seconded the motion and the council approved.

08/Member Forum (50) – Holly Abrego/Alex Belkofer

- 08.01 Some good ideas that came from the member forum were:
- Develop technical electives focusing on civil, heavy high way, BIM, accounting and projections
 - Focus on project forecasting and cost management
 - Emphasize the opportunity for the variety of jobs that can be obtained including the trade and subcontractor communities
 - Build relationships with architect and engineering students to encourage collaboration in their future careers.
- 08.02 MW stated that some organizations have approached him about starting a student chapter and wanted to see if the students or IAC had any interest in pursuing, they are CMAA, Home Remodelers Association and NAIOP.
- 08.03 MW stated that there are some students looking for internships so if anyone is currently looking for students to please contact him.
- 08.04 MW stated that there are new officers for the CSM club – Alex Francios (Pres) and Kevin Jackson (VP)
- 08.05 Adam Cahill stated that some important dates in the future are:
- Construction Career Expo – September 29th – registration will start in June
 - The Expo will be at the 4H building because there were so many registrants last year
 - Winter Career Expo for the College - February 24, 2016