

ACE
ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION ENGINEERS

Annual Business Meeting
October 10 & 12, 2022

MEETING Minutes

Executive Board Attendees:

Dale Brockamp, President
Catalina Weaver, President Elect
Matt Prenger, Treasurer
Sarah Lau, Secretary
Loren Woodin, Past President,
Nara Sin, At-Large,
Mark Urbanovsky, At-Large

The ACE business meeting was called to order by President Dale Brokamp.

The attendees of the 2023 conference introduced themselves.

2022 Business meeting minutes. There was a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from last October's business meeting after noting that the meeting minutes are posted on the ACE website. The motion was moved and seconded, and the motion passed. A motion was made to accept the 2022 business meeting minutes and was seconded. The motion passed.

President's Report: Dale thanked all the sponsors, contributors, and presenters. He also thanked the Texas folks for hosting and welcomed the participants to the ACE conference.

Correction from what was stated at the meeting. Sarah was looking at the spreadsheet that included the past several years of memberships, so the membership numbers stated at the meeting were higher than the actual numbers for this year. The following numbers are accurate: Records from Meetings Northwest show 10 honorary life members. After receiving the Eugene Baker Award, Howard Thomas will be added to that list for a total of 11 honorary life members. There are 65 active ACE members and 1 student member. The Texas conference is attended by 37 active members and 7 guests. Attendees will be members of ACE for the following year. This year we have 2 exhibitors and 8 sponsors (5 contributors and 3 presenters).

We will be recruiting Executive Board members during the conference and will vote on new board members at Wednesday's business meeting. Catalina Weaver will be President, Dale Brokamp will move to Past President, and Loren Woodin will serve one more year as Past President. Board members needed are President Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and two Directors At-Large.

Board meetings are held virtually approximately every other month.

Treasurer's report through September 27, 2023:

Account Totals	
Checking Account	\$ 7,433.34

Savings Account	\$ 11,553.06
CDs	\$ 22,189.66
Total Deposits	\$ 41,176.06
Scholarship Fund (In CD above)	\$ 4,648.89

- 2023 ACE Conference Sponsors and Contributors:
- Bronze Sponsors (\$1,000/each) are as follows:
 - o Garver
 - o GSI – GeoStabilization International
 - o Profile
 - o Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC
- Contributors (\$500/each) are as follows:
 - o Halff Engineers
 - o Ladd Environmental
 - o Thompson Engineering
 - o Crowder Gulf, LLC
 - o HDR Engineering

2022 Conference Treasurer’s Report

Deposits \$21,075
 Expenses \$28,495
 Balance - \$ 8,420

Sarah Lau moved, and Howard Thomas seconded, a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report. The motion passed.

Committee reports:

Membership – Committee members were assigned groups of states and other organizations to reach out to. Letters were sent to organizations who employ engineers working on conservation projects. This was a successful strategy since several attendees noted that they found out about the conference and ACE because the letter had been forwarded to them.

Scholarship – Several hundred dollars were contributed to the Scholarship fund by holding a “Deck of Card 50/50” fundraiser and silent auction of items donated by ACE members during the conference.

There were no applications submitted for the scholarship this year. Members are encouraged to reach out to universities and students they know to encourage applicants for the 2024 scholarship.

Awards – Two projects were selected for the Carl V. Anderson Awards and will be presented at the banquet. In addition, a Eugene Baker Award will be presented at the banquet to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of conservation engineering.

Dale encouraged ACE members to submit packages for next year’s awards. Everyone is working on interesting and challenging projects that would make good submittals. The application itself is simple.

Time and Place – Nara Sin has agreed to host the 2024 conference in Arizona.

Loren Woodin moved, and Catalina Weaver seconded, a motion to hold the 2024 ACE conference in Arizona. The motion passed.

Past Presidents, History and By-Laws – Nothing to report.

Election:

A slate of the following nominees for the Executive Board was presented and voted on all at once.

President Elect: Nara Sin
Treasurer: Micheal Sestak
Secretary: Niki Lambrou
Two Directors at Large: James Rogers and Angela Lindgren.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the nominees listed above for the respective offices. The motion carried.

The following Executive Board members will serve on the committee following the established succession from their previous elected offices:

President: Catalina Weaver will be sworn in as new President at Wednesday's banquet.
Past presidents: Dale Brokamp and Loren Woodin will serve on the Board as past presidents for the through the 2024 conference.

Members who passed away during the previous year.

Jon Ogden from Wyoming <https://www.schradercares.com/obituaries/jon-ogden>
Lowell Barick from Alaska <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/mesa-az/lowell-barrick-11235828>

A motion to adjourn the 2023 ACE business meeting was moved and seconded. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.