

**MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION
TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING
October 13, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER: 12:05 pm

ROLL CALL:

Region President Margaret Chewning, FCSI CCS
Region Vice President:
Region Vice President: Gail Nagie, CSI CDT
Secretary: John Sweigart, CSI CDT emeritus
Treasurer: Thomas Feulner, CSI CCSS
Institute Director: Ray Gaines, FCSI CCS
Academic Programs:
Awards: Steve Lawrey, CSI-----
Certification Chair: Steven Weisensale, CSI CCS CCCA (late)
Conference: Dave Lorenzini, FCSI CCS
Education: Mary-Ellen Pfiester, CSI CCCA, ALA (late)
Electronic Communications:
Membership:
Nominations: Sal Verrastro, FCSI,CCS,CCCA
Planning Chair: Barbe Shaffer, CSI CDT

CHAPTERS:

Allentown- Lee Ann Slattery
Baltimore – Marc Held,
Blue Ridge – Kyle Dobbins
Central PA – Bob Lawson
Central Virginia – Ray Gaines
DC Metro – Julian Master
Erie-Northwestern- Marshall Fryer
Pennsylvania Railroad - Mike Lechleitener
Philadelphia - Walt Zapor, Al Klinesmith
Pittsburgh – Bill Dorin
Northcentral Penn – Eric Laughrey
Northern Virginia- Jessie Oak, Jr. (late)
Richmond- Steven Weisensale, Barbe Shaffer
Tidewater – George Luce

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Margaret Chewning reported that she was glad to see all in Baltimore.
Some committee assignments need to be filled.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Gail Nagie congratulated the Baltimore Chapter for their involvement in CONSTRUCT 2014, and researching hotels locations.
Gail reported that she researched hotels, and resorts for locations for the future LOS, and Board meetings. A total of 26 locations investigated.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Gail Nagie made a motion to accept the July, and August Teleconference Meeting Minutes as submitted by the Secretary. Eric Laughrey seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and no objections.
Minutes were accepted, and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tabled until next month.

INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS: Ray echoed Gail's congratulations to the Baltimore Chapter for CONSTRUCT 2014, and the events.

Walt Marlow's resignation is effective December 3, 2014. A search committee is being formed. The interim Executive Director is Greg Seton.
We have been the beneficiary for eight years of having Walter Marlow as the Executive Director.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nominations: Sal Verrastro reported the nominations for FY 16-17.
See copy as submitted for this meeting.

Sal thanked those serving on the nominating committee as follows: Lee Ann Slattery, Mike Lechleitener, Charles Beauduy, and Julian Master.

Many did not want to run in opposition to other candidates.

A number of persons expressed interest in running in the future.

For Institute Director either Steve Weisensale or Kristen Kennedy in the future.

A motion was made by the Nominating Committee for the Proposed Slate of Officers (in paragraph 3) of the report. There was no discussion, and no nominations from the floor.

Steven called for the question, silent in favor, opposed speak up. No response therefore accepted by the Board for FY 16-17. The report will be forwarded to Mike Davis at the Institute.

Ray congratulated Sal, and the Nominating Committee for job well done.

Ray said that Bios need to be forwarded to the Institute. Urged others to keep their Bios up-to-date.

Academic Affairs: Mary-Ellen Pfiester will be moving to Certification Chair. Position open but Ray proposed that Jeb Phillips at UVA may be a candidate.

Education/Technical: Mary-Ellen gave a brief summary of the full report that she sent to Margaret this morning. A complete summary of all presentations is being finalized.

Luigi Grande may possibly take over in January 2015. Mary-Ellen will stay on until Luigi takes over. The basic function is organization for LOS, and the need to get programs.

Margaret thanked Mary-Ellen for her efforts.

Certification: Steve will give a full report at end of November-December after compilations are completed for those passing certification exams.

Membership: Mitch reported 50 Emeritus, 1161 Professional, 48 Professional Emeritus, 51 Emerging Professional, 2 Professional lifetime, and 2 Students. Total 1,314 Region members.

Mitch urged all to encourage continuing membership prior to the member's renewal expiration date.

Margaret responded that they discussed the non-affiliated members group at the Region President's Meeting, and stated that we contact the non-affiliated members to make them aware that there is a local chapter to join. Some may not even be aware of your chapter. More contact needed.

Electronic Communications: Marc Held has not talked to Dave Miller but penciled him in for Chair.

Awards: Steve Lawrey reported the deadline for submissions is December 31, 2014 at 5:00 pm. Steve will be sending notices to Chapter President's, and Awards Chairs.

Planning/ Operations: Barbe reported about the hotel for 2015 LOS. Thanks to all that helped doing the searching. Gail did most of the phone calls. Rates are higher in October due to leaf foliage bringing tourists to the states.

Barbe recommended the following location: the Heritage Hills Country Club off Route 83 in the York, PA area. Rate is \$119.00 per night in August. Gail reported that they want us, and want to work with us since they have many programs to offer such as team building, and problem solving. Hershey, and Harrisburg are close by. There is always the Wyndham in Frederick.

Steve Lawrey asked if anyone visited the York location? Barbe had been there.

Mary-Ellen, and Gail agree that the best dates are August 14, 15 ,2015.

Barbe made a motion that we pursue looking in to the Heritage Hills Country Club for LOS in August 14,15, 2015. Jessie seconded the motion. Margaret called for a question not in favor? No response. Motion passed. Margaret asked Barbe to get a tentative contract for August 14,15, dates.

Conference Oversight: Walt reported that the committee is meeting every two weeks. A website launched. A Save-the-Date postcard is at the printer now. Program, contracts, and event discussions are occurring.

Barbe will be transitioning into this Chair. Contact her to offer help. Needing list of members, and past attendees, etc.

George Luce will forward information to Walt's attention. PR is very important, and using chapter tools on website- www.marc2015.org. Finance committee is looking for sponsorship.

Margaret said that is assumed that Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and NOVA gearing up for the future.

Marc reported that Baltimore has a committee working on hotels, etc. for a two day event in lieu of longer times as have occurred in the past.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: suspended due to time constraint.

NEW BUSINESS: suspended due to time constraint.

Margaret thanked all for attending.

There being no further business the teleconference meeting adjourned 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John D. Sweigart, Secretary
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