

Teleconference Meeting of Board of Directors (BOD), Chairs and Vice Chairs of Committees

**Saturday, June 1, 2013
9:00 PM - 10:30 PM (EST, U.S.A.)
Dial in Tel# (605) 475-3200
Participant Access Code: 911483#**

Minutes

Attendees: Sanjiv Adhikari, Sagun Amtya, Rishi Baral, Santosh Dhakal, Thakur Dhakal, Jagannath Ghimire, Samana Ghimire, Upendra Karna, Kanhaiya Kayastha, Pradeep Khanal, Ramesh B. Malla, Sagar Onta, Ankur Sharma, Yagna R. Pant, Lok D. Shrestha, Rajendra K. Shrestha, Janak Thapa, Binod Tiwari

Absentees by notice: Robin Bhattarai, Raj K. Tamang,

1. Meeting Call to Order: Rajendra K. Shrestha, Ph.D., President
 - Dr. Rajendra Shrestha opened the meeting at 9:05 pm.
2. Self Introduction of Meeting Attendees: All
 - Each attendee introduced him/herself.
3. Approval of January 19 and March 16, 2013 BOD Meeting Minutes.
 - Meeting Minute of January 19 and March 16 was approved with minor corrections.
4. Updates on ASNEng Activities
 - Dr. Shrestha provided following updates:
 - Samana Ghimire & Jagannath Ghimire filed Federal Tax and State Tax (State of South Carolina)
 - Letters sent to four universities with a notice for the ASNEng Merit Award.
 - Newsletter is in progress.
 - President requested all BOD members to attend the Joint ASNEng/CAN-USA Annual Conference, June 29-30, 2013, Santa Clara, California
5. Updates on ASNEng Activities
 - Call for Abstracts and preparations for the Joint ASNEng/CAN-USA Annual Conference, June 29-30, 2013, Santa Clara, California has been sent to mailing list.
 - Thakur Dhakal has forwarded the notice to GWDC members
6. Progress Report on 2013 Merit Awards
 - Dean of Institute of Engineering, Prof. Bharat Pahari and Kathmandu University have

responded our notices for the awards. Rajendra Shrestha to send the reminder emails to them.

7. Status on the preparation of the position paper on the joint initiative "Earthquake Preparedness and Disaster Relief in Nepal"
 - Dr. Malla reported that they are looking for the forward message.
 - Report to be published ASAP.
8. ASNEng Financial Report.
 - Treasurer, Samana Ghimire informed that there is a balance of \$8,487.50 in ASNEng's BOA account.
9. Local Chapters
 - Thakur Dhakal, President of the Greater Washington D.C. Chapter of ASNEng, said that the chapter was organizing a Summer Picnic on July 20, 2013
 - GWDC is looking forward to organize a Talk Program, Professional Training Class, etc.
10. Various Committee leaderships:
 - *Award, Grants & Scholarships Committee –Chair Sahun Amatya, Vice Chair - Ankur Sharma*
Sagun Amatya said that he is working on Grants & Scholarship Fund Programs.
 - *Membership Recruitment & Outreach Committee - Open*
 - *Programs Committee: Chair – Open.*
 - *Newsletter/Publication Committee: Chair – Rabin Bhattarai, PhD.*
 - Rabin Bhattarai and Samana Ghimire told that an issue raised on one of the draft articles by Dr. Malla had not been resolved yet.
 - *Bylaws Amendment & Membership Standard Comm.: Chair – Lok D. Shrestha, P.E.*
 - Lok D. Shrestha informed that there was nothing to report on his committee's activities.
 - *Website/Database Committee: Chair – Sanjaya Gajurel, Ph.D.*
 - Absent
 - *Technical Committee: Chair – Ramesh B. Malla, PhD.*
 - Dr. Malla said that they were working closely for the upcoming conference.
 - *Membership Review committee: Officers*
 - *Nepal Liaison Committee: Chair – Sagar Onta, P.E.*
Mr. Onta informed that there was no progress on his committee, however, he was looking someone in Nepal to help the committee.
 - *Liaison Committee: Chair – Upendra Karna, D. Eng., P.E.*
Dr. Karna informed that he will invite some people in New Jersey area to discuss about the future programs in that area.
 - *Nomination/Election Committee: TBD during election*
11. Old business

- No old business was recorded.

12. New Business

- No new business was recorded.

13. Next Meeting

- August 17, 2013

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 EST.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jagannath Ghimire, P.E.

Vice President

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