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**Teleconference Meeting of Board of Directors (BOD), Chairs and Vice Chairs of Standing Committees**  
**Saturday, November 1, 2014**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

Present in the Meeting: Uendra Karna, Surya Lamsal, Ramesh Malla, Thakur Dhakal, Rajendra Shrestha, Kanhiya Kayastha, Pujan Joshi, Jagannath Ghimire (partially) and Rabin Bhattarai absent by notice. Ananta Baidya tried to attend from Nepal, but connection failed.

1. Meeting Called to Order by Dr. Rajendra K. Shrestha, President at 9:10 PM.
2. All Meeting Attendees introduced themselves.
3. Minutes of meeting for September 6 was approved with correction ( Purwanchal University to Purbanchal University) unanimously. Dr. R. Malla moved the motion for approval and was seconded by Mr. Lamsal.
4. Updates on ASNEng Activities- ASNEng conducted an interaction meeting with the visiting NSET representatives on Oct 10, 2014, in Virginia by the Washington DC chapters and on Oct 11, 2014 at NY by Dr.U. Karna along with NY/NJ members in association with NRN-NCC-USA. Jagannath Ghimire informed that he applied for Employee Engagement Action Grant to his Company for \$1000. For this Non discrimination policy has to be established. This has been prepared, reviewed by attorney and will be reviewed and approved soon by the executive committee. Dr. R. Shrestha has also applied to his company for \$500 for the Position Paper. GWDC chapter requested for fund. Two new members were approved recently. Ananta Baidya is meeting in Nepal with Nepal Engineers Association President and others. Bishwa Baral has been helping in the Graphics design for the Position paper cover page.
5. Plan for 2014-2015 activities: Conference: ASNEng is to organize the 2015 annual conference. This will be again the joint conference of ASNEng and CAN-USA. For the conference, the first choice is to be held in Chicago, second for NY. Dr. R. Shrestha is to reach out to lead Chicago area members.

Seminar in Nepal – Seminar in Nepal could be provided. It was decided that a guest list who are going to Nepal in future should be prepared. Dr. R. Malla suggested for placing a request notice on our website and eNepalese who are going to Nepal.

Dr. Ramesh Malla will draft the letter regarding the request notice for who are going to Nepal (by Mid Nov.) .

For October 2015 NRN conference – ASNEngr should have representation and presentation in relation with its activity as appropriate. How and which conference meetings (Pre-NRN conference events and or main event) we should have our presentation be discussed with NRN conference. Upendra Karna should and will talk to NRN-NCC-USA president Khagendra Chhetry.

6. Processing of pending New Membership Applications:  
2 new members have been approved recently. T. Dhakal will look into the detail for approval for other pending applications.
7. 2014 Progress Report on Merit Awards:  
Total Fund available will be \$5000.
8. Financial Status Report: No report. However, Mr. Ghimire reported about \$13,202 balance in the account.
9. Interaction Meeting with NSET: By Thakur Dhakal- Meeting with NSET three representatives was successful in Washington DC. 35 NRN engineers/non engineers participated. Mr. Dhakal briefed about the position paper input given by Dr. Malla during this interaction meeting. Video for this presentation was published in enepalese.  
By U. Karna- Dr. Karna briefed about the interaction meeting with NSET in NY. This interaction meeting was organized in association with NRN-NCC-USA on NRN day celebration. This was a successful program . Mr. A. Dixit of NSET presented about the disaster preparation activities in Nepal and by NSET. Dr. Karna briefed about the earthquake position paper undertaken by ASNEngr, ANMF and CAN-USA. General NRN diaspora took a keen interest and appreciated our efforts.
10. Position paper Status: Dr. Malla reported that Final editing by Dave Klodz) for the publication is in progress . It should be finished in a month. ISBN number has been purchased for \$275.00. A Steering committee meeting was held on Oct. 18, 2014. Dr. U. Karna will contact interim ambassador for the letter of support. Front page graphic is completed with the help of Mr.. Baral but clock mark/Trichandra college tower sketch will be more impressive. Mr. K. Kayastha will send the Trichandra College Tower photo to Biswa Baral. It was discussed that invited guests should be included in the position paper. However, there is no need to get support letter.

11. Proposal to change the ASNEngr Acronym to ASNE: Postponed to be discussed in the future meeting.
12. Pledged donation to NRN: All together \$1000.00 will be given and will be send soon. Dr. Karna mentioned that where it supposed to be sent was sent to the President and Treasurer (email).
13. Various Committee leadership:
  - Award, Grants and scholarship- One award to each University (highest topper) and One girl candidate ( highest merit) will be given.
  - Membership Recruitment- No report.
  - Program- No discussion.
  - Newsletter- Mr. Bhattarai reported that will be working on it.
  - By Laws- No discussion
  - Website/Database- Mr. Joshi reported that website has been updated with latest information.
  - Technical- Dr. Malla reported that major activity in progress is related with position paper. Dr., Malla also mentioned that the date and other activities for the next conference should be decided as soon as possible so that the technical paper preparation activities are initiated on time for a quality paper.
  - Membership Review- Mr. Dhakal reported that approval process is in progress. Pending applications will be reviewed and will be approved soon.
  - Nepal Liaison- Mr. Baidya is in Nepal and will report on it when he is back. Collaboration with Open University would be great initiative. We should put it in next meeting Agenda and follow how to collaborate with Open University.
  - Liaison- No report.
  - Nomination/Election- TBD and discussed during election only.
14. Old business- Not any discussion.
18. New Business- Collaboration with Open University in Nepal and also with more organizations in Nepal and USA. New chapters should be initiated.
19. Next Meeting (via tele-conference) – Saturday, January 17, 2015 at 9 PM EST
13. Adjournment
  - The meeting was adjourned at 11.23 PM.

Meeting Minutes Prepared and Submitted By:

Dr. Upendra L. Karna, P.E.  
General Secretary  
American Society of Nepalese Engineers (ASNEngr)  
Date: January 15, 2015