



Monthly Newsletter

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President's Message

By: Kurt Rotering

Happy November! As I am writing this on Election Night it reminds me of how important KSPE is as an organization. I truly believe KSPE is one of the most important organizations an engineer can be a member of with a main mission to advocate for and protect the licensure of professional engineers.

As a member of KSPE there are numerous ways to help push KSPE's mission forward. I think one of the most impactful ways to have an impact is to reach out to your legislator. Regardless of if you voted for them, your State Representative and State Senator are who represent you and your family in Topeka. The first time I reached out to my legislators was when I was in the ACEC Emerging Leaders Program. ACEC has a similar mission as KSPE and we all work together in Topeka. I went and had lunch with my Representative and met my Senator at his office, but even just a phone call or an email can have an impact. Hearing from an engineer in their district about specific concerns will put a bug in their ear. Then when Travis Lowe continues this conversation in Topeka it will double the impact.

So how do you know who your legislators are? Well I am glad you asked! The KSPE website has this and a handful of other resources. Under the "Advocacy" tab there is a link to finding your legislator: <https://www.kansasengineer.org/Find-Your-Legislator>. One more link on the KSPE website is a link to the KSPE Political Action Committee: <https://www.kansasengineer.org/Find-Your-Legislator>. Although the election season is over for this year, the KSPE PAC continually needs funds to find and promote champions of our industry to send to Topeka. So please consider contributing.

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President's Message Continued

Lastly, I want to thank Brian Scovill, KSPE President, and Travis Lowe, KSPE Executive Director for their continued leadership of advocacy and of our organization. I also want to thank them for providing updates at our October Eastern Chapter meeting. Updates from both Brian and Travis can also be found on the KSPE website in the KSPE September newsletter.

Within Eastern Chapter, please mark your calendar for our November meeting on November 19th where HNTB and KDOT will present their award winning US-69 project. Then December will hold a Younger Members event as we move into the new year. More details about these virtual meetings are later in this newsletter. As we move through November I hope you are enjoying this week of 70 degree weather, the success of the Chiefs, and looking forward to Thanksgiving and the Christmas season!

See you on the 19th!

Kurt Rotering, P.E.



"KSPE is dedicated to promoting, protecting and advocating the success and integrity of the licensed Professional Engineer and Engineer Intern by delivering professional development products and services, encouraging licensure, and advocating legislation and public policy for the betterment of human welfare and the profession."

November Meeting Information

KSPE-EC November Virtual Meeting Southbound US-69 Bridge over I-35 Rehabilitation

Date: Thursday, November 19th

Time: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Location: Virtual

Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/>

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Conference ID: 908 324 507#

Cost: Free

RSVP: Please join us on Teams per link above. Email Rachel Henkhaus for Outlook calendar invite with Teams info, if preferred. REHenkhaus@GarverUSA.com

The southbound I-35/US-69 interchange serves as a critical commuter link between downtown Kansas City and Johnson County. Through the efforts of the KDOT/HNTB design team and Clarkson Construction Company, southbound travelers now enjoy a smoother ride on this heavily travelled bridge and adjacent ramp. Join us on November 19th to hear from Steve Rockers (KDOT PM), Brenda Foree (HNTB PM), Jason Sanders (HNTB Roadway) and Elizabeth Hiatt (HNTB Bridge) regarding the design and construction phases of this bridge rehabilitation project.

Young Engineers Event



VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

KSPE Young Engineers - Come hangout and have **Beers With Engineers!** Get To Know other Young Engineers!

All KSPE members and non-members are invited to join.

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**Tuesday
December 8, 2020
5:00 pm**

Use the following **Microsoft Teams Link** to attend:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGRmZjkzM2ltMTY4Ny00NTQ3LWJmY2MtMGVkZTg5YzQyNTdj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%22e56dea83-ce9a-432f-b773-6ba803b6a70c%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%27cd03b13-60ff-4b73-9c5e-416e25d14345%22%7d

To receive a **Calendar Invite** please email:
Darren Meyer
djmeyer@wilsonco.com

Bring Your Own Beverage(s)

KSPE Award Nominations

The KSPE Eastern Chapter is seeking nominations for this year's awards.

Engineer of the Year nominations are due by **January 15, 2021**.

All other nominations are due by mid-March 2021 (actual deadline will be announced in a future newsletter).

The Eastern Chapter award recipients will also be submitted on April 1, 2020 to KSPE for State award consideration.

Award Categories

- Engineer of the Year
- Young Engineer of the Year
- Intern Engineer of the Year
- Government Engineer of the Year
- KSPE Award
- Outstanding Engineering Achievement
- Professional Development
- Outstanding Citizen
- Outstanding Teacher

Nomination forms may be found on KSPE's website (www.kansasengineer.org/awards). Please submit your nominations to Allison Bruner at abruner@trekkdesigngroup.com.

Treasurers Report

October 2020



Kansas Society of Professional Engineers - Eastern Chapter Treasurer's Report: October

Beginning Balances Date: October 1, 2020
Ending Balances Date: October 30, 2020

Checking Account

Beginning Balance			\$	3,135.78
<i>Deposits</i>	Advertisement (still missing two payments)	\$	825.00	
		Total Deposits	\$	825.00
<i>Withdrawals</i>	Check 1266 - Executive Secretary	\$	200.00	
	Money to Savings to keep it active	\$	1.00	
		Total Withdrawals	\$	201.00
Ending Balance			\$	3,759.78

Savings Account

Beginning Balance			\$	14,536.81
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest	\$	1.15	
	Money from checking	\$	1.00	
		Total Deposits	\$	2.15
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-	
		Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance			\$	14,538.96

Money Market

Beginning Balance			\$	5,593.59
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest	\$	0.06	
		Total Deposits	\$	0.06
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-	
		Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance			\$	5,593.65

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance			\$	100.00
<i>Deposits</i>	None	\$	-	
		Total Deposits	\$	-
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-	
		Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance			\$	100.00

EFK Account

Beginning Balance			\$	11,580.90
<i>Deposits</i>				
		Total Deposits	\$	-
<i>Withdrawals</i>				
		Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance			\$	11,580.90

Chad D. Hall

Chad D. Hall, AVP, PE, Treasurer KSPE EC
October 30, 2020

Total \$ 35,573.29

October Meeting Minutes



BOD Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 15, 2020

Attendees

- **Kurt Roterig**
- **Tony Rome**
- **Rachel Henkhaus**
- Cody Porter
- Charlie Love
- **Chad Hall**
- **Mark Johnston**
- Allison Bruner
- **Tawn Nugent**
- **Anne Schroer**
- Kristen Leathers
- **Rod Holcomb**
- Darren Meyer
- Derek Hopkins

Call to Order -----Rotering

Treasurer's Report ----- Hall

- \$1 transfer from Checking to Saving to keep active.
- Have received more sponsorships than budgeted.

Committee Reports:

- Legislative -----Charlie Love
 - Requesting legislator contact info to send out emails.
- MATHCOUNTS----- Rachel Henkhaus
 - Registration is Open
 - National Board is providing money for awards this year (\$150)
- Model Bridge Building-----Mark Johnston/Derek Hopkins
 - Trying to contact PrairieFire as a possible location if needed.
 - Possible option:
 - Students off bridges then doing virtual meetings with kids to discuss projects.
 - Do virtual breaks on a schedule
 - Need to send out flyers soon.
- Fundraising----- Rod Holcomb
 - No report.
 - Get started around Thanksgiving
- Membership-----Vacant
- Awards ----- Allison Bruner
 - Creating plan and will start working on awards in November.
 - Last year's award winners will present virtually in November.
 - Slide show of award winners will be shown today at the meeting.
- Young Engineers ----- Darren Meyer
- Engineering Preparation----- Tawn Nugent
 - Have received 5 applications for grants
 - Scoring will take place the week of Oct 26th
 - May need to find somewhere else to spend remaining funds.
- Engineer's Week ----- Kurt Roterig
 - No update.
 - Postcard decision needs to be made soon – possibly shift to emails.
- Advertising ----- Kristen Leathers
 - No update.
- Community Service Project(s)----- Anne Schroer
 - No update.
- State Director-----Charlie Love
 - State KSPE Treasurer position will be filled soon.

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October Meeting Minutes Continued



Chapter Meetings -----Henkhaus/Rotering

- **October 15th**: KSPE President & Executive Director Update (Virtual) (With Wichita Chapter)
- **November 19th**: Award Winner Presentation: HNTB/KDOT (Virtual)
- **December**: Young Members Virtual HH
- **January**: KSPE Meeting
- **February**: E-Week
- **March**: March Madness event
 - Online bracket challenge with prize?
- **April**: Joint meeting with MSPE/SAME planned by SAME?
- **May**: Awards meeting

Old/New Business -----Rotering

- Open forum
- Newsletter deadline – October 30th

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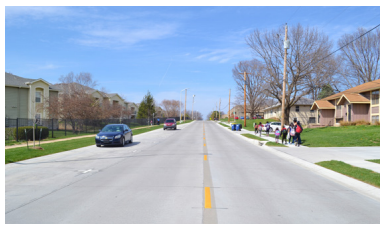


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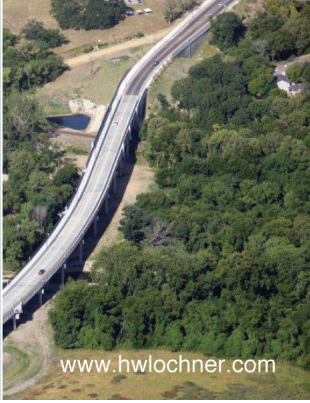
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