



Monthly Newsletter

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President's Message

By: Tony Rome

Well – the NFL season is at the quarter pole and the Chiefs are still perfect at 4-0 (as of this writing). While we know that it is unlikely that they or any other team will go 17-0, there will be disappointed fans in the metro when the red and gold finally lose a game. Even though few people expect a sports team to be perfect over a long season, the public does expect the things that engineers provide in life to function 100% of the time. A bridge can't work 99.9% of time – it has to function 100% or lives will be lost. This reality is why professional engineering licensure is so important in our society. Our NSPE President, David Martini, visited the Chapter for the September meeting and spoke about the relationship between a consumer and a licensed professional. In most cases, the consumer has an opportunity to meet in person and judge whether the licensed professional is worthy of providing the required service. However, rarely does a consumer have a chance to meet the engineer who designed the bridge they are driving across or the water system they are drinking from each day. They have to trust that it will all "just work".

All of this requires us as engineers to protect professional licensure and communicate to the lawmakers how important it is to the public welfare of society. We have a chance to do this in our upcoming Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, October 16th. This is a chance for us to build relationships and communicate our interests with our elected officials. I hope you are able to make this event and please take time to personally invite your State Senator and Representative. If you are unable to make this event, try and contact them in some other way.

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In addition to our Legislative Breakfast, there are multiple events on the horizon to serve your local KSPE Chapter.

The Olathe School Career EXPO will be held on Tuesday, October 22nd. KSPE will have a booth set up to discuss our profession with middle school students exploring future career opportunities. Please contact Tawn Nugent, tnugent@trekkdesigngroup.com as she is still looking for volunteers.

The November chapter meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14 and will feature the KSPE State President, Jessica Rhein and KSPE Executive Director, Travis Lowe.

Lastly, we are planning a Young Engineer's Chiefs watch party on Monday, November 18.

Enjoy the cooler weather and I look forward to seeing you all at one or more of our fall events!

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October Meeting Information

KSPE Government Affairs Breakfast

Join us for our annual October Government Affairs Breakfast. Kansas State Legislators within the metro area will be invited. In effort to make this event a success, we request each attendee extend a personal invite to their state legislators and encourage them to attend.

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 16th

Time: 7:00 - 7:30 Registration, Networking

7:30 - 7:55 Breakfast

7:55 - 8:05 Welcome, KSPE Briefing

8:05 - 8:25 Elected officials self-introductions

8:25 - 9:00 Feature Presentation: KDOT's Burt Morey, P.E., Deputy Secretary and
State Transportation Engineer

Location: Double Tree Hotel (Overland Park Ballroom)
10100 College Boulevard
Overland Park, KS 66210

Cost: \$45 for Members and Guests

Sponsor an Elected Official: This year, Eastern Chapter is requesting sponsors for Elected Official's tickets to help offset the cost of this event. Please consider sponsoring one or more elected officials by contributing an additional \$45 per ticket. In recognition, your company's contribution will be recognized and company logo displayed at our event.

RSVP: Please use this [link](#) to register for Breakfast: by **Monday, October 14**

KSPE Upcoming Events

18th Annual Olathe District Schools 8th Grade Career EXPO

The EXPO will be held on **Tuesday, October 22nd** at Johnson Community College. This event provides over 2,000 8th graders a chance to talk with professionals in a wide variety of careers. KSPE Eastern Chapter has hosted a booth for the past 11 years introducing hundreds of young minds to the field of engineering.

Please join us this year by volunteering your time and energy to represent KSPE. We need at least 6 volunteers between 8 am and 3 pm.

Please contact Tawn Nugent tnugent@trekkdesigngroup.com for more information and to volunteer for a two hour shift.

Save the Date-Thursday, November 14th November Chapter Meeting

More information to come!

Save the Date-Monday, November 18th Young Engineers Social Chiefs Watch Party

More information to come!

Treasurers Report

August/September 2019



Kansas Society of Professional Engineers - Eastern Chapter Treasurer's Report: August/September 2019

Beginning Balances Date: August 8, 2019
Ending Balances Date: September 30, 2019

Checking Account

Beginning Balance		\$	1,761.64
<i>Deposits</i>	E-week revenue (MSPE check)	\$	3,637.08
	Total Deposits	\$	3,637.08
<i>Withdrawals</i>	Check 1242 - EFK from E-week (revenue, less \$388.19 exp.)	\$	3,248.89
	Total Withdrawals	\$	3,248.89
Ending Balance		\$	2,149.83

Savings Account

Beginning Balance		\$	14,491.99
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest (difference from balance online on 9/8/2019)	\$	0.40
	Total Deposits	\$	0.40
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-
	Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	14,492.39

Money Market

Beginning Balance		\$	5,547.90
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest	\$	6.62
	Total Deposits	\$	6.62
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-
	Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	5,554.52

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance		\$	332.83
<i>Deposits</i>	None	\$	-
	Total Deposits	\$	-
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-
	Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	332.93

EFK Account

Beginning Balance		\$	7,242.21
<i>Deposits</i>	E-week	\$	3,248.89
	Total Deposits	\$	3,248.89
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$	-
	Total Withdrawals	\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	10,491.10

Rachel E. Henkhaus

Total **\$ 33,020.77**

Rachel E. Henkhaus, PhD, PE, Treasurer KSPE EC
September 30, 2019

September Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes
 Monday, September 30, 2019

Meeting started at 4:01pm

Attendees: Tony Rome, Chad Hall, Charlie Love, Rachel Henkhaus, Mark Johnston, Ryan DaMetz, Rod Holcomb, Allison Bruner, Darren Meyer, Kristen Leathers, Kurt Rotering

Call to Order-----Rome

- Approve agenda
 - Approved previous agenda/meeting

Committee Reports:

- Legislative-----Love
 - Charlie reported that Burt Morey will be there October 16 to speak at the legislative meeting. Invites are out to legislators for meeting. Nicole will send out invites for meeting. Sponsorship options (One ticket price) if companies want to sponsor.
 - Rachel to create name tags for attendees and legislators
- MATHCOUNTS -----Henkhaus
 - Registration has opened. Date of event is noted on KSPE and Mathcounts websites.
- Model Bridge Building-----Johnston
 - Leaning towards Feb. 1 for event date as to many conflicts that cannot be avoided.
- Fundraising -----Holcomb
 - No Report. Send items out around Thanksgiving.
- Membership -----Bruner
 - Reviewing membership as of today and look at goals for this year and see where we can expand. Reviewing how best to use budget to help garner more members.
- Awards -----DaMetz
 - No Report
- Young Engineers -----Porter/Meyer
 - Chiefs watch event on Nov. 18. Looking at options and locations.
- Engineering Preparation-----Nugent
 - Asked for volunteers for career fair at Jo. Co. CC.
- Engineer’s week-----Rome
 - Reviewing options for speakers and also the issue with hotel and timing.
- Advertising-----Leathers
 - 8 advertisers. Raised \$750 (up from \$400 last year). Everyone paid in full.
- Community Service Project(s) -----Schroer
 - No Report
- State Director -----Love
 - Get checks about every \$100. Only cut once amounts hit \$100.
 - Sponsorship did well at national event in July.

September Meeting Minutes Continued

Reports

- Treasurer's Report -----Henkhaus
 - Sent out report to others for review. She has access to all the accounts. Updated report to show deposits and interest.

Chapter Meetings -----Rotering

- October: Legislative meeting – October 16 at DoubleTree in Overland Park
- November:
 - KSPE President & Executive Director Dinner – Nov 14th, at Club 27 at Lady Sykes
 - Chiefs watch party – Nov 18th
- December: No Meeting
- January: TBD
- February: No Meeting
- March: March Madness event – March 19th
- April: Joint meeting with MSPE/SAME May: Awards meeting
- June: Summer Social
- State Conference: June in Kansas City

Old/New Business-----Rome

- Liability Insurance
 - Should be covered as long as we don't serve alcohol or have a "special event" and the only current one we have that is "special" event is the BBQ at Sar Ko Park. Could maybe move to a restaurant or maybe by a "rider" if that is cheaper.
 - Mathcounts and other standard events are covered under NSPE umbrella as of Dec. 1 (If not already covered now)
- Advertising Income
 - See earlier reports
- Jan/Feb Meetings
 - Terminate Feb. meeting
 - Jan. meeting maybe find a new partners for joint meeting (APWA, KCITE, etc.). Kurt to look at options.
- 2020 State KSPE Conference will be in Kansas City. Eastern Chapter to aid in planning efforts.
 - Charlie the chair of the folks leading the effort.
 - Looking for speaker options.
 - No theme or logo.
- Open forum
- Newsletter deadline – October 3.
- Adjourned at 4:50

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