



# Monthly Newsletter

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## President’s Message

By: Kurt Rotering

Happy Fall! I hope everyone is out enjoying the cooler weather! I’m a big fan! It’s also nice to have football back to take my mind away from other concerns in the world! And especially fun since the Chiefs are 3-0 (at the time of my writing... knock on wood)!

Some personal news, among all the craziness, my wife and I welcomed a new little girl, Julia Claire, into the world mid-September. So if I misspell a word or fall asleep on the keyboard during this message, she is my excuse!

Last month, our NSPE President, Tricia Hatley, P.E., F.NSPE, made the journey up from Oklahoma City to talk with our local MSPE and KSPE chapters. I hope some of you were able to jump on the Zoom meeting and listen to her insightful message and update from NSPE!

This month, on October 15th, we have the opportunity to hear from our KSPE President, Brian Scovill, P.E., about what is coming up on the KSPE’s schedule for next year and any other local events or issues. Along with Brian, Travis Lowe will provide a timely legislative update ahead of the November elections. More detail including the call-in information for this virtual event can be found later in this newsletter. The KSPE and Legislative updates are typically held in November, but due to not being able to hold the legislative breakfast this is a good alternative prior to Election Day.

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## President's Message Continued

Continuing our year of virtual meetings, a couple more events on the horizon will help everyone stay involved with your local KSPE Chapter. Our November Meeting will be a presentation from our 2019-2020 Outstanding Engineering Achievement winner and in December a KSPE-EC Young Engineer's Panel Discussion will be hosted virtually. More details of both events are included in this newsletter.

Happy Fall! Go Chiefs! And thank you for being involved with KSPE and hanging with us through this unique year!

*Kurt Rotering, P.E.*



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# October Meeting Information

## October Virtual Meeting KSPE and Legislative Update (Joint meeting with Wichita Chapter)



Please join us virtually as we team up with the Wichita Chapter for a KSPE update from Brian W. Scovill, P.E., KSPE State President and a timely Legislative Update from Travis Lowe, KSPE Executive Director shortly before the fall election.

**Date:** Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 12:00 Wichita Chapter – Officer Oath

12:10 Awards winner presented (slideshow)

12:15 – 1:00 Program

Brian W. Scovill, P.E., KSPE State President

Travis Lowe, KSPE Executive Director

**Cost:** Free

**Location:**

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## KSPE-EC November Virtual Meeting

**When:** TBD in November

**Where:** Virtual

We are honored to have a second chance (thanks to COVID-19 canceling our Annual Awards Banquet) to hear our award winner for Outstanding Engineering Achievement present the Southbound US-69 Bridge over I-35 Rehabilitation project. The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) hired HNTB Corporation (HNTB) to provide engineering design services to improve the southbound interchange between the I-35 and US-69 corridors in Johnson County, KS. Please join us to hear about the bridge and roadway updates to this critical commuter link between Johnson County and downtown Kansas City. More details to be provided when they are confirmed.



# SUPPORT KSPE PAC TODAY!

## What is KSPE PAC?

KSPE PAC is the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers' non-partisan Political Action Committee that supports candidates committed to our profession.

Members like YOU can help us with our efforts to lawmakers in Topeka.

**CONTRIBUTE TO THE KSPE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE OR "KSPE PAC".**

No donation is too small to aid our efforts.

In 2019, KSPE PAC raised almost \$4,000



2020 GOAL: \$6,000

All 40 Senators and 125 Representatives are up for election in the 2020 elections.

KSPE PAC helps ensure champions of our industry stay in Topeka. KSPE PAC works with legislators to ensure they understand the roles Licensed Professional Engineers have in public safety and the state's future.

Our association has more than 500 members, but only a few have participated in this initiative. We are setting an ambitious goal of raising

**\$6,000 IN 2020**



## How can I support?

Visit [kansasengineer.org/KSPE-PAC](http://kansasengineer.org/KSPE-PAC) or contact KSPE's Executive Director, Travis Lowe at [travis@kansasengineer.org](mailto:travis@kansasengineer.org).



# Treasurers Report

# August/September 2020



## Kansas Society of Professional Engineers - Eastern Chapter Treasurer's Report: Aug-Sept 2020

Beginning Balances Date: August 1, 2020  
Ending Balances Date: September 30, 2020

### Checking Account

Beginning Balance		\$ 3,030.78
<i>Deposits</i>	June and July dues from KSPE	\$ 105.00
	Total Deposits	\$ 105.00
<i>Withdrawals</i>		
	Total Withdrawals	\$ -
Ending Balance		\$ 3,135.78

### Savings Account

Beginning Balance		\$ 14,534.30
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest	\$ 1.23
	Interest	\$ 1.28
	Total Deposits	\$ 2.51
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$ -
	Total Withdrawals	\$ -
Ending Balance		\$ 14,536.81

### Money Market

Beginning Balance		\$ 5,593.47
<i>Deposits</i>	Interest	\$ 0.06
	Interest	\$ 0.06
	Total Deposits	\$ 0.12
<i>Withdrawals</i>	None	\$ -
	Total Withdrawals	\$ -
Ending Balance		\$ 5,593.59

### 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, AVP, PE, Treasurer KSPE EC  
September 30, 2020

**Total** \$ 34,947.08

# September Meeting Minutes



## BOD Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

### Attendees

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

Call to Order -----Rotering

### Committee Reports:

- Legislative -----Charlie Love
  - Will send out email to legislative officials letting them know we aren't doing the event.
- MATHCOUNTS----- Rachel Henkhaus
  - Rachel got a packet in the mail today from the National MATHCOUNTS office with coordinator expectations for virtual competitions. Coordinating with other chapters in the state of KS to be consistent.
- Model Bridge Building----- Mark Johnston/Derek Hopkins
  - No update
- Fundraising----- Rod Holcomb
  - Mid-November letters go out
- Membership -----Vacant
  - No update
- Awards ----- Allison Bruner
  - Got information from Ryan and starting to go through it
- Young Engineers ----- Darren Meyer
  - Considering a virtual event - get to know you or what's KSPE about, trying to figure out how connect with current younger members or others that have attended events in the past
- Engineering Preparation----- Tawn Nugent
  - STEM Alliance - \$3,000 budgeted. Last year we did 6 - \$500 grants, applications are due on Oct. 10/16
  - Have received request for grant through website. Need to change the website to direct them to KCSTEM Alliance
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade career fair – not happening they are doing recorded answers to the typical questions. Looking for volunteers for this
- Engineer's Week ----- Kurt Rotering
  - Nothing locked in yet. Leaning virtual. Will keep us updated.
- Advertising ----- Kristen Leathers
  - No Update
- Community Service Project(s)----- Anne Schroer
  - Harvester's is kind of hurting and will likely have an event but not sure yet. More to come.
- State Director-----Charlie Love
  - State trying to find a new Treasurer since current one is moving out of state.
  - Membership committee trying to coordinate with all the membership chairs.
  - Language change to PDH requirements being proposed
  - PAC now has online link to donate. We should consider adding it to our newsletter.

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# September Meeting Minutes Continued



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Chapter Meetings ----- Henkhaus/Rotering

- **September (9/16):** Anybody attend / log-on? [No one at the meeting attended.](#)
- **October (10/15):** KSPE President & Executive Director Update (Virtual) (With Wichita Chapter)
  - [Will put info in newsletter](#)
- **November:** Award Winner Presentation: HNTB/KDOT (Virtual)
- **December:** Younger Members event
- **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

Budget/ Treasurer's Report----- Chad Hall

- [Chad presented the budget and it was voted on and approved by everyone in attendance](#)

Old/New Business -----Rotering

- Open forum –
  - [Kurt tracking down who we contact for website updates.](#)
- Newsletter deadline – October 2
  - [Chapter meeting updates](#)
  - [Treasurer's Report](#)
  - [Board Meeting Minutes](#)
  - [KSPE PAC link](#)
- Kurt to send out a doodle poll for the October board meeting

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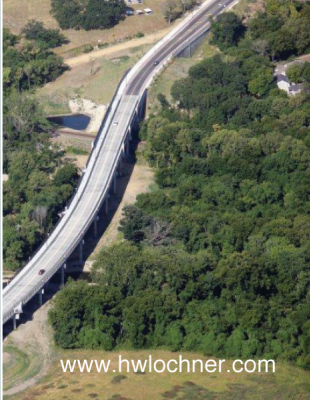
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