

MONTHLY

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President's Message

by: Cindy McCann, PE

This week I found myself driving to the school Halloween party, listening to the radio as the man said it was only 55 days until Christmas.

I thought, "Good grief! Don't we still have a holiday in November?" I guess he's just saying what the stores have been showing in colorful displays ever since they cleaned up from back-to-school supplies. We are in the countdown to the busy part at the end of the year. Where does the time go?

I suppose some of the time went to introducing Olathe 8th graders to an exciting career in engineering at the Career EXPO. I thank Tawn Nugent, for once again organizing our booth, and my fellow volunteers, for giving a few hours of your time. I think I join the other volunteers in saying it was time well spent. I know I talked to a steady stream of inquiring minds. What quality do you most need to be an engineer? What do you do in a typical day? What lead you to a career in engineering? You might ponder those questions for yourself.

Then next year consider spending a couple hours with the next generation of engineers, too.

More of our busy October 2017 was spent in the company of our elected officials at the annual Legislative Breakfast. I want to thank Charlie Love for organizing a very well attended event. To get nearly 20 officials in a non-election year is testament to continued quality. And with about twice as many members I think we can call it a success. I hope you were able to connect with your representative, even if briefly, as I was able to.



KSPE members and legislators listening to the Smart City presentation

As the radio and retail spaces tell us we're sliding right in to the next

year. As busy as December is, we won't have a meeting for the month. So, I hope you can join us at the last meeting of the year in November. We'll welcome the KSPE State President Wayne Nelson, P.E., and our Executive Director and Lobbyist, Travis Lowe. We're at a new location this year so join us at the Granite City Brewery in Olathe on the 16th. We've seen these gentlemen at meetings already this year, but this time we get to hear from them in depth about the state of the state society and what we should be watching for early next year in Topeka.

As always, this is your professional society and we'd love to talk to you about how you can get more involved. There are lots of opportunities in 2018 and it will be here before you know it!

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Event Information

November Dinner Meeting

KSPE Update

Wayne Nelson, P.E., State President
Travis Lowe, KSPE Executive Director and Lobbyist

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Location: Granite City Food & Brewery
15085 W 119th Street
Olathe, KS 66062

Price: \$35

Menu: Choose one of the following 4 meals

1. Chicken Limon: Chicken breast trio, mashed potatoes, asparagus, lemon buerre blanc
2. Braised Beef Short Ribs: Beef short ribs, horseradish mashed potatoes, broccolini
3. Ponzu-Glazed Salmon: Hand-cut Atlantic salmon, sticky rice, stir-fried vegetables, Ponzu sauce
4. Mediterranean Shrimp Scampi: Shrimp, arugula, linguini pasta, goat cheese, sun-dried tomato pesto beurre blanc

* All above includes House Salad and Drink choice (water, iced tea, soda)

Vegetarian meal available upon request

Time: 4:30 p.m. Board Meeting
5:30 p.m. Registration/Networking
6:00 p.m. Dinner and Program

RSVP: Please RSVP by Monday Nov. 13 to cschoenhals@gbateam.com

Include meal choice with RSVP

No-shows will be billed

Future Events

November

16 - KSPE President Visit

February

6 - Mathcounts

22 - KC Metro Engineers

Week luncheon

Recap

16th Annual Olathe School District 8th Grade Career EXPO

Thank you to the volunteers that came to speak with all the potential future engineers.

Todd Black
Philip Jennings
Cliff Speegle
Cindy McCann
Ryan DaMetz
Doug Whitacre



Bridge Building Volunteers Needed

The Eastern Chapter's 35th Annual Model Bridge Building Contest will be held Saturday, January 27th or February 3rd, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Museum at Prairiefire in Overland Park, Kansas. Students in grades 9 through 12 within the Eastern Chapter's region are eligible to compete in the Model Bridge Contest.



The contest encourages students to get involved in a challenging and fun engineering project. The students each design and construct their own model bridge made entirely of basswood sticks and glue. The model bridges are then loaded to failure to determine the bridge's structural efficiency (total mass supported divided by the mass of the bridge). The bridge with the highest structural efficiency wins. The top three finishers will be recognized at the Engineers Week luncheon in Kansas City, MO. The first and second place contestants are eligible to win an expense assisted trip to compete at the 2018 International Bridge Building Contest in Chicago, IL.

Volunteers are always needed to assist students with testing of their bridges. If you are interested in helping with the contest, contact Mark Johnston at 816.945.5898 (mjohnston@hwlochner.com).



Eastern Chapter
Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE)
Treasurer's Report for October 2017
 October 27, 2017

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance as of September 25, 2017	\$405.00	
Additions	\$0.00	
Reductions - Labels purchased for Oct 2017 Mtg (Walmart)	\$14.92	
Ending Balance as of October 27, 2017		\$390.08

Checking Account

Beginning Balance as of September 25, 2017	\$3,809.18	
<i>Deposits</i>		
Young Engineers Event Income	\$110.00	
Cash - Legislative Breakfast	\$500.00	
Checks - Legislative Breakfast	\$660.00	
Total Deposits	\$1,270.00	
<i>Payments</i>		
Sept Exec Sec Salary	\$150.00	
Stationery for Annual Legislative Event	\$122.98	
Reimbursement for KSPE Young Engineers Event	\$133.96	
Total Payments	\$406.94	
<i>Transfers to/from Money Market</i>		
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of October 27, 2017		\$4,672.24

Money Market Account

Beginning Balance as of September 25, 2017	\$5,416.18	
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Dividend Reinvest	\$2.06	
Ending Balance as of October 27, 2017		\$5,418.24

Engineers Foundation of Kansas

Beginning Balance as of September 25, 2017	\$7,635.32	
<i>Deposits</i>		
	\$0.00	
<i>Withdrawals</i>		
UMKC PE Review Course - Allison Bruner	\$400.00	
Ending Balance as of October 27, 2017		\$7,235.32

PEPP Dispersal CD

Beginning Balance as of September 25, 2017	\$14,409.72	
Deposits	\$1.95	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of October 27, 2017		\$14,411.67

Respectfully Submitted,



Oswaldo Bravo, P.E.
 Treasurer

Total **\$32,127.55**

October Meeting Minutes



Eastern Chapter

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 30, 2017

Attendees: Cindy McCann, Cliff Speegle, Charlie Love, Tony Rome, Ozzy Bravo, Rachel Henkhaus, Rod Holcomb

Call to Order (12:04 pm)
Approved agenda

Reports:

- Previous meeting minutes – *previously approved via email*
- Treasurer's report – *There were couple of reimbursements and expenses that were discussed. Tony reminded Ozzy to contact the state office to switch mailing information for correspondence.*

Committee Reports:

- Legislative – *Event was a success. There were 59 plates served with around 20 members of legislature. Feedback on speaker indicated maybe a new format next year. Charlie will look into it and discuss with others. Thank you letters should go out this week. Beginning to look at dates for February legislative visit.*
- MATHCOUNTS – *Rachel attended the national coordinators convention last week. There were many good ideas and she might try to implement a few to add to existing format.*
- Model Bridge Building – *The location is not confirmed yet. Dates will be either January 27 or February 3. The international committee has tweaked the rules a bit.*
- Fundraising – *Getting ready to send out solicitation letters.*
- Membership – *Position still open. Cindy to begin work to refill.*
- Awards – *No report*
- Young Engineers – *YE event a moderate success. 9 individuals attended with 4 non-members. Looking into an event in the spring, possibly with ASCE.*
- Engineering Preparation – *Tawn met with the task force. General thoughts were revamping advertising and reconciling questions with evaluation matrix.*
- Engineer's week – *Hotel is booked. Working on speaker and other logistics. Postcards will be printed soon.*
- Advertising – *No Report.*
- State Director – *Cliff discussed the 2019 conference with Adam Stodola. National conference will be in Kansas City so thought is to move the state conference to Wichita. The state and national board will be looking for volunteers for planning committees soon. Cliff is still working to secure a new banner.*
- Community Service Project(s) – *When sign-ups become available for Souper Bowl of Caring, Anne will sign up KSPE-EC.*

Meeting Minutes Continued



Eastern Chapter

Chapter Meetings

- November 16, KSPE President visit, dinner mtg at Granite City in Olathe
- January - TBD

Old Business

- Banner – Cliff working on this.
- Funds Request Task Force – Met in October.

New Business

- Newsletter deadline Nov. 1

Meeting adjourned at 12:34 pm.

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