



KSPE

# Eastern Chapter News

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## President's Message

By: Ryan DaMetz, P.E.

The KSPE year is winding down, and I want to take time to say thank you to all of you who have attended our meetings throughout the year, encouraged (or forced) colleagues to get involved in our chapter, and volunteered your time and energy for MATHCOUNTS, Model Bridge Building, our Statehouse visit, and our community service event. I realize that all of us are busy, but your involvement really does drive this chapter.

10 and Ridgeview. This is a great chance to get involved and attend if you normally do not do so. The golf tournament will take place on June 8<sup>th</sup>, and the rest of the conference will occur on June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Kiel Johnson has headed up organizing this year's event, and he and the committee have put together a great list of speakers. If you are willing and able to help with the Conference, please contact Kiel ([kjohnson@waterone.org](mailto:kjohnson@waterone.org)).

We had a successful joint meeting with MSPE and SAME in April at the Westport Flea Market. KCP&L gave an interesting and informative presentation about the solar panels they installed at Kauffman Stadium. I went to my first Royals game of the season this week, and I can honestly say that it was reassuring to know that a portion of my beer might have been cooled indirectly from the energy produced from those solar panels. I was so touched, in fact, that I ordered another beer as a sign of my support.

I will end by saying thank you once again for all of your involvement throughout the year. I truly believe that KSPE (and NSPE) is a worthwhile organization that is crucial to protecting and promoting our profession. Thank you to the Board for all of your hard work this year. Cliff Speegle will be our incoming President for next year, and I have no doubt he will do an outstanding job. I encourage you to continue to be involved with KSPE and help introduce the next generation of engineers to our society. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Our May meeting will be our final Chapter meeting of the year. It will be a breakfast meeting at Deer Creek Golf Club, and we will honor our award winners for their outstanding achievements within our Engineering field as well as the STEM community. We will be honoring our Engineer of the Year, Government Engineer of the Year, Project of the Year, and Teacher of the Year. I look forward to seeing you all there one last time before we break for the summer (on a Chapter level).

As I've mentioned before, the KSPE Annual Conference will be held in the Kansas city area at the Embassy Suites and Conference Center in Olathe at K-

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### KSPE EC Website

The website will be updated on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month or as needed should there be time sensitive information.

Check it out...

[www.kansasengineer.org/Chapters/Eastern.aspx](http://www.kansasengineer.org/Chapters/Eastern.aspx)

If you have photos taken at KSPE events, please submit them to Cheri Schoenhals, [cschoenhals@gbateam.com](mailto:cschoenhals@gbateam.com), for inclusion in the newsletter.

# Event Information

## May Chapter Meeting Annual Awards Breakfast

WaterOne - Hedge Lane Project

- Date:** Thursday, May 19
- Location:** Deer Creek Golf Course Clubhouse  
700 W. 133rd Street  
Overland Park, KS 66209
- Time:** 7:00 a.m.: Registration  
7:30 a.m.: Program and Breakfast  
Board Meeting to follow
- Cost:** \$25
- Dinner:** Breakfast Buffet
- RSVP:** **Friday, May 13**  
Please register with Cheri at [cschoenhals@qbateam.com](mailto:cschoenhals@qbateam.com)  
No shows will be billed
- Program:** The Hedge Lane Project is a pump station with a 7.5 million gallon buried reservoir fed by over 13 miles of new 42"-60" pipeline. This \$74 million project is a significant investment in the future growth of WaterOne's southern Johnson County service area, ensuring pressure and reliability.

## 2016 Annual Conference



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Join engineering professionals at the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE) Annual Conference as we present *smart answers to hard questions*. The Conference will be held June 8-10, 2016 at the brand new Embassy Suites and Conference Center in Olathe. KSPE has put together a great program - [click here](#) for the agenda and to register online. If you would like information on sponsorships or vendor booth opportunities, please [click here](#) or contact [brandy@kansasengineer.org](mailto:brandy@kansasengineer.org).

## St. Joseph Grade School Dot and Dash Robots



Students at St. Joseph Grade School in Shawnee, KS have been learning how to computer program this year in science class. Thanks to a scholarship from the Engineers Foundation of Kansas (EFK) through the Eastern Chapter their teacher Mrs. Lisa O'Toole was able to purchase these Dot and Dash Robots.

The 6th grade partnered with the Kindergarten to program their robots through a race course. They are working hard to prepare for a special school assembly to showcase their work.

# Treasurer's Report

**Eastern Chapter**  
**Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE)**  
**Treasurer's Report for April 2016**

April 21, 2016

**Cash on Hand**

Beginning Balance as of March 17, 2016	\$410.00	
Additions	\$0.00	
Reductions	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of April 21, 2016		<u>\$410.00</u>

**Checking Account**

Beginning Balance as of March 17, 2016		\$2,546.00	
<i>Deposits</i>			
March Meeting Income		\$465.00	
Total Deposits		<u>\$465.00</u>	
<i>Payments</i>			
March Meeting Expense @ Coach's		\$623.66	
March Exec Sec Salary		\$150.00	
Total Payments		<u>\$773.66</u>	
<i>Transfers to/from Money Market</i>			
Deposits		\$0.00	
Withdrawals		\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of April 21, 2016			<u>\$2,237.34</u>

**Money Market Account**

Beginning Balance as of March 17, 2016		\$5,411.05	
Deposits		\$0.00	
Withdrawals		\$0.00	
Dividend Reinvest		\$0.09	
Ending Balance as of April 21, 2016			<u>\$5,411.14</u>

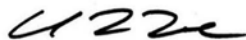
**Engineers Foundation of Kansas**

Beginning Balance as of March 17, 2016		\$3,928.25	
<i>Deposits</i>			
Tomahawk PTA - STEM scholarship		\$750.00	
Robotics Booster Club - STEM scholarship		\$750.00	
Total Deposits		<u>\$1,500.00</u>	
Ending Balance as of April 21, 2016			<u>\$2,428.25</u>

**PEPP Dispersal CD**

Beginning Balance as of March 17, 2016		\$14,185.77	
Deposits		\$0.00	
Withdrawals		\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of April 21, 2016			<u>\$14,185.77</u>

Respectfully Submitted,	Total	<u>\$24,672.50</u>
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Charles L. Love, P.E.  
Treasurer

# ***April 2016 Meeting Minutes***

## **Monthly Board Meeting**

**Date: 4/21/16**

**Time: 4:30 pm Location: Westport Flea Market Bar & Grill**

**Attendees:** Ryan DaMetz, Tony Rome, Charlie Love, Cindy McCann

### **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Ryan DaMetz at 4:41pm.

### **Reports:**

Treasurer's Report:

- EFK sent the two checks for \$750 approved at the March meeting
- Taxes were filed

Charlie Love provided the treasurer's report

### **Committee Reports**

Legislative

No Report

MathCounts

No Report

Model Bridge Building

No Report

Fundraising

No Report

Membership

No Report

Awards

- State committee will meet next week
- WaterOne will present at May 19 awards meeting

Young Engineers

- Looking at T-Bones game in May or June. June would be a good date for inviting interns and new hires.

Engineering Prep

- More word of mouth advertising this year has lead to more requests this year, which has been a great thing. We may want to use the experience to adjust program criteria.

Engineer's week

- Finalizing accounting with MSPE

Advertising

No Report

# ***Meeting Minutes continued***

## State Director

- Annual conference planning rolls along

## Community Service

- Projects are done for the year

## **Chapter Meetings**

Next meeting will be May 19<sup>th</sup> at Deer Creek Country Club

**Old Business** – N/A

**New Business** – N/A

**Meeting Adjourned at:** 5:28pm

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