

Southeast Chapter IECA Conference Call Meeting

December 6, 2016

Present: Melanie McCaleb (President), Rich McLaughlin (Secretary), Anna Massey (Treasurer), Ted Sherrod (NC), Jay Sprague (SC), Mike Perez (AL), , Shelby Jett (KY), Hal Lunsford (FL), Kim Kline (administrator)

October minutes were motioned for approved by Anna and seconded by Ted. Approved unanimously.

Melanie reported that IECA staff are working on a spreadsheet for volunteers for EC17 in Atlanta, and will post that soon. They are looking for helpers for stuffing conference bags on Monday – let Melanie know if you can help.j

Melanie brought up the shirts that we were going to have to wear at EC17 to help identify ourselves. JP had volunteered that he has a good vendor for that so we'll need to revisit that with him. Jay motioned that we set aside \$60/shirt with embroidery for each board member, Anna seconded. Approved unanimously.

Melanie reported that our student costs will be much lower for EC17 than the usual \$3,000 due to the close proximity of Atlanta to the universities involved. Only the NC student will need to fly. Total costs will be \$1750 this year. Jay suggested some of the excess could go toward our shirts. Melanie will send Anna the contact information for the students/sponsors so she can get a check to them.

Anna sent the current expense/income statement and mentioned that we have \$20,500 cash in the bank.

Melanie brought up the social event for EC17 for the chapter and Rich thought we'd have 50-60 people in attendance. Anna said we spent about \$3,000 last year and Melanie suggested we go with that again. Kim will handle the arrangements and Anna volunteered to send her our selections last year as a start.

Rich suggested that we have chapter banners made for each state representative to help advertise IECA at various events. All agreed this would be helpful, and would boost our numbers for the chapter Plan for Excellence. Shelby motioned that we set aside \$2,000 for this; Rich 2nd. Approved unanimously.

Melanie reiterated that our MS4 event in Charleston should be widely communicated by the board, particularly to potential sponsors. This year we'll continue the ½ day, full day, ½ day schedule as everyone seemed to like that.

Calendar Events/State News:

Alabama: Auburn hosted Installer Workshop November 16-17 with about 50 attending; Research Update Workshop Nov. 18 had about 100. Mike and Barry Fagan also did 5 design workshops around the state, a first for AL, and had about 150 attend.

South Carolina: Field Day had 256 attend in spite of Hurricane Matthew, and Jay reported that the vendors were particularly pleased with the format that allowed them a few minutes to talk about their products. He thought \$4-5,000 would be coming to the chapter for scholarships.

Tennessee: Kim said that Chris sent her an update on the Construction General Permit for the state.

Kentucky: Shelby said there would be two events, including a contractor update training 12/9 and the Louisville field day Feb. 2. He was looking for something to provide attendees about IECA and apparently there is not a "general information" brochure, so Melanie suggested our newsletter. Shelby agreed that would be a good handout.

Florida: Hal is keeping busy with continued work on their stormwater manual and inspector manual updates. They are also going to automate their certificate program, and are planning virtual live classes that can be viewed anywhere. Lots of training going on around the state.

North Carolina: Melanie reported on the first joint NC DEQ- SE IECA – NCSU joint design workshop as being very successful, with 135 attending and 6 vendors. Reviews were very positive. Rich also mentioned the continued rules review process, mandated by the state legislature, and that a committee of volunteers is currently working through the erosion and sediment control rules.