

FLORIDA SECTION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2021
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM EST

I. Call to Order & Roll Call – Byron/Chrissy

2021 Officers:

Byron Burrows – Chair	Joe Brown - Director
Christina Akly – Immediate Past Chair	Kevin Holbrooks – Director
Joe Applegate – Vice-Chair	Susan Kennedy – Director
Christine (Chrissy) Schaub – Secretary	Manitia Moultrie – Director
Liz Foeller – Treasurer Executive Secretary	Greg Terry – Director
Kaitlyn Watkins – Membership Director	Veronica Figueroa – Director
Upasna Rai – Education Director	Haofei Yu – Scholarship Chair
VACANT – Website Director	Lynn Robinson – Continuing Ed Chair

*Yellow Highlights=present

II. Old Business:

- a. Approval of March Meeting Minutes – motion to approve- Christina Akly; Kevin seconds. All in favor.
- b. Website Director prospects – Susan/All- Training was conducted earlier this month. If no prospects then Christina may be able to set into the role after June. Kristen will take the lead in uploading the meeting minutes to the website.
- c. Scholarship Updates – Haofei not on call, but he was sending out emails regarding scholarship opportunities. Byron will share American Environmental engineer scholarships with the board.

III. Treasurer Report – Byron/Joe

- a. Dues Reimbursement – Joe
- b. Christina did see the report as well and we are in good shape but she will defer to Liz/Joe. Will cover the \$4,000.00 scholarships for this year. At about \$95,000.00
- c. When will FL Section send out checks to the Chapters- Checks have not been received by Chapters yet.
- d. We will get a payment for ACE- \$5,000
- e. Possibility to add more scholarships? Action item for after the conference.
- f. Endowments? We had this conversion previously- maybe beneficial to look back at meeting minutes. May want to involve more financial professional.

IV. Approval of Chapter Merger – All- Has gone very smoothly, legislative update by end of May. They are functioning as one. May 7; 11-1pm; Environmental Update

V. Annual Report – Christina- Submitted-may be a good idea to have one designated person for the annual report moving forward.

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- VI. International A&WMA ACE 2021 – Christina- in good shape; Keynote has confirmed except for an official confirmation for EPA.
 - a. ACE Student Presentations
 - b. ECI – Upasna- on track
 - c. Registrations- 5 free for the local host. No teams yet from FL. Upasna will reach out to the teams that participated in the virtual FL conference last year and the president of the UF.

- VII. Review of Activities
 - a. Promote information sharing and grow Florida Section membership – Kaitlyn Watkins
 - b. Revenue allocation to support new programs & scholarships – Liz
 - c. Energize Florida Chapters – Tampa Bay, Southeast, Northeast and Big Bend Chapters
 - i. Northeast Chapter- Upasna can connect with the president and connect with Kevin.
 - d. Promote student involvement – USF, FAMU and UWF update
 - e. Promote YP development (and participation in conference) – Chrissy Schaub/ Kaitlyn
 - f. Building the Florida Section Bench Strengths – website updates – Byron
 - g. Chrissy to keep board updated on a joint meeting with Southern Section for Mandy Gunasekara, Former Chief of Staff at EPA, to talk about what regulations are coming particularly focused on power with the new administration.

- VIII. Chapter Updates

- IX. Other items
- X. Adjourn