



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ESTIMATORS

GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Bob Kovacs

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May already??? It feels like just last week we were cleaning up from Christmas! The year's flying by and there continue to be signs that the economy is improving – hopefully it's beginning to look that way for all of our members. I know I've been staying busy – between bidding work, writing my CPE paper, preparing for the exams, and trying to finish our basement, there's not much time left over – but somehow I still manage to get these opening remarks done.

In keeping with the idea of providing timely, informative presentations based on what our members want to hear about, this month's presentation is in response to a request from one of our members, Dan Ergle. At a recent meeting, Dan mentioned that he's seen some interesting new products and systems coming from the precast industry, and that many of our members might find that information useful. So, we'll be hearing this month from George Spence and Angela SanMartin of Metromont, who will be speaking on precast concrete and Metromont's "Total Building System" product line. If you've got ideas for future meeting topics, please let me know – we're here to provide the information that you want.

The next CPE certification cycle starts soon, and the deadline for applications is July 1, 2010. If you're thinking of getting certified, you've got to act fast. We still need some proctors for the exams for this cycle, which will take place in July. If you're a current CPE who would like to volunteer to proctor an exam, please let Dan Ergle know so we can start arranging exam dates. Hope to see you all on Thursday!

Regards,

Bob



ASPE LUNCH PROGRAM

THURSDAY

May 20, 2010

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

CROSS CREEK CAFE

1221 Cross Creek Pkwy
Atlanta, GA 30327

Price \$15.00

RSVP is required.

Please RSVP to
LaTarsha Bailey
at 404.609.9006 or
respond via email by
Wednesday
May 19, 2010.

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MAY 2010 LUNCH PROGRAM

Angela San Martin, PE, LEED AP
George Spence

“Precast Concrete and the Total
Building System”

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**MAY 2010
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**Total Building System
METROMONT**

Why Total Precast?

- Ability to incorporate numerous architectural features
- Thermal efficient building systems
- Integral insulation virtually eliminates mold
- Faster occupancy and low maintenance
- Cast-in electrical to reduce cost and time
- Inherent fire resistance and durability
- Sustainable design – LEED points
- Proven, cost effective system

This information was taken from the
Metromont Schools Brochure at website
www.metromontusa.com

Building the Southeast for over 75 years, Metromont is known as a leader in the construction industry, is renowned for its Innovative Building Systems and the ability to provide sustainable buildings and structures that will last for generations.

Their expertise spans from schools, office buildings, and parking decks to industrial plants, justice facilities, and stadiums. Metromont is always ready to work with you to engineer, manufacture, deliver, and install your next project.

When it comes to precast/prestressed concrete, the company of choice must provide innovation, responsiveness, and outstanding quality. With attention to safety, these aspirations must be met on schedule and within budget. Metromont gets involved in the design phase of projects—working side by side with our clients in order to create cost-efficient, high quality, and eye-catching projects.

Information for this article was taken from the Metromont Corporate Brochure on their website at:
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ASPE Atlanta Chapter No. 14

April 15, 2010 MEETING

MEETING MINUTES



The American Society of Professional Estimators Atlanta Chapter 14

Minutes of the April 15, 2010 Meeting

The monthly meeting was held at the Cross Creek Country Club. The meeting was called to order by Bob Kovacs at 12:00 pm.

In attendance were: Michael Bischof, Troy, Charlie Carnes, Charles Cofer, Mike Davis, Dan Ergle, Jack Fuller, James Greiner, Keith Hanson, Ed Hulsey, Bob Kovacs, David Laminack, Steve Marks, Karla Mc Daniel, Michael Miller, Wayne Mosely, Bob Peppel, Richard Porter, James Spangler, Henry Taylor.

Minutes: March minutes accepted, approved by Jack Fuller & 2nd by Steven Marks

Committee Reports

Treasure's Report: Chapter is in the black and there is money in the bank

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Bob Kovacs: "Who was going to the next convention?" Jack Fuller, Reed Thomas & Dan Ergle are committed so far, we will have to vote on how much funding we supply..

Next month we will need vote on the slate of officers for 2010-2011.

Program

Reed Thomas – Updates to LEED – 2009 Rating System

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55pm. Motion to adjourn Jack Fuller, 2nd Ed Hulsey

Respectfully Submitted

R. Brett Withers, CPE
Secretary

ASPE ATLANTA CHAPTER NO. 14

ASPE Code of Ethics Basic Canons

Canon #1 - Professional estimators shall perform services in areas of their discipline and competence.

Canon #2 - Professional estimators shall continue to expand their professional capabilities through continuing education programs to better enable them to serve clients, employers and the industry.

Canon #3 - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves in a manner, which will promote cooperation and good relations among members of our profession and those directly related to our profession.

Canon #4 - Professional estimators shall safeguard and keep in confidence all knowledge of the business affairs and technical procedures of an employer or client.

Canon #5 - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves with integrity as all times and not knowingly or willingly enter into agreements that violate the laws of the United States of America or of the states in which they practice. They shall establish guidelines for setting forth prices and receiving quotations that are fair and equitable to all parties.

Canon #6 - Professional estimators shall utilize their education, years of experience and acquired skills in the preparation of each estimate or assignment with full commitment to make each estimate or assignment as detailed and accurate as their talents and abilities allow.

Canon #7 - Professional estimators shall not engage in the practice of "bid peddling" as defined by this code. This is a breach of moral and ethical standards, and a member of this society shall not enter into this practice.

Canon #8 - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not enter into any agreement that may be considered acts of collusion or conspiracy (bid rigging) with the implied or express purpose of defrauding clients. Acts of this type are in direct violation of the Code of Ethics of the American Society of Professional Estimators.

Canon #9 - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not participate in acts, such as the giving or receiving of gifts that are intended to be or may be construed as being unlawful acts of bribery.

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