



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ESTIMATORS

GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Bob Kovacs



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Chapter better?"*

To "mix things up a bit" this month, I'd like to try something different at the monthly meeting. Rather than having a speaker come in and present, I'd like to hold an open forum amongst our members. The topic I'd like to discuss in the forum is this -- "How can we make the ASPE Atlanta Chapter better?" I think we've seen some renewed interest in the monthly meetings lately, based on the attendance. This could be because of the topics being presented or it could be because no one has any work to do back at the office, but I think we can do more to bring value to the membership.

We had a discussion at the Board meeting last month regarding some chapter committees that we're considering forming to help improve the chapter, and I want to gather feedback at this month's meeting on those committees. The committees we're considering forming (and looking for members and chairpersons for) are:

- Chapter History
- Education
- Membership
- Programs
- Publicity
- Website

In addition to the committee discussion, I'd like to see what other comments and ideas you all have regarding additional activities, events, and services the chapter can bring to the membership. I look forward to a good, lively discussion.

Hope to see you all on Thursday!

Regards,

Bob



ASPE LUNCH PROGRAM

THURSDAY

September 16, 2010

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

CROSS CREEK CAFÉ

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
September 15, 2010.

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Chapter No. 14 events at
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Atlanta Chapter No. 14

CHAPTER DISCUSSION LUNCH

SEPTEMBER 2010 LUNCH PROGRAM

“How can we make the ASPE Atlanta Chapter better?”

September 16, 2010

OPEN FORUM

ASPE Atlanta Chapter No. 14

“How can we make the ASPE Atlanta Chapter better?”

Come out and give your ideas, lend your input and share your insight in this dynamic discussion. We can all effect improvement in our profession and organization.

SEPTEMBER 2010 ASPE LUNCH PROGRAM

One topic of discussion will include various committees of interest to our members including:

- Chapter History
- Education
- Membership
- Programs
- Publicity
- Website

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you!

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Estimating T O D A Y



Aug/Sept 2010

- ASPE's New President's Message
- Leadership is a Verb - Part 4 of 4
- Regional Awards
- National Awards
- Convention Highlights
- ASPE Joins ConsensusDOCS Coalition

UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRADESHOWS AND MEETINGS

MC2 ICE Conference

October 4 - 7, 2010

Tunica, MS

ASPE Northwest & Southwest Fall Regional Conference 2010

October 8 & 9, 2010

Portland, Oregon

Roads & Bridges Live: 2010

October 12 - 14, 2010

Chicago, Ill.

ASPE Central Plains Governor - Dan G. Frondorf, CPE - will be presenting:

State of the Industry – The Changing Face of Estimating and Bidding in a Down Economy

2010 ASPE Central Plains Fall Regional Conference October 14 & 15, 2010

The Crown Plaza Hotel

5700 28th St.

SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546

2010 Design-Build Conference & Expo

October 18 - 20, 2010 = Caesar's Palace

Las Vegas, NV



The American Society of Professional Estimators
Atlanta Chapter No.14
Meeting Minutes – General Assembly



Minutes of the August 19, 2010 General Assembly 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: Clinton Aldridge, Michael Bischof, Mike Bissell, Charles Carroll, Mike Davis, Robert Dawson, Dan Egle, Eric Freeman, Jack Fuller, James Greiner, Ed Hulse, Bob Kovacs, David Laminack, Alex McClendon, Wayne Mosely, Steve Marks, Michael Palacio, Bob Peppel, Richard Porter, Leigh Shaw, Susan Smith, Wayne Smith, James Spangler, Priscilla Stanley, Garrett Wilson and Brett Withers.

Minutes: No June minutes

Committee Reports

Treasure's Report:

Status is unchanged

Old Business

No old business

New Business

No new business

Program

ALL Crane Larry K. Freckman, General Manager; Mark Cheatham, Crane Specialist and Brian Fuller, Safety Manager

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm. Motion to adjourn Dan Egle, 2nd Kelly Lands
Respectfully Submitted

R. Brett Withers CPE
Secretary

The American Society of Professional Estimators
Atlanta Chapter No.14
Meeting Minutes – Board Members



Minutes of the August 19, 2010 Board Meeting

The quarterly board meeting was held at the Cross Creek Country Club. The meeting was called to order by Bob Kovacs at 1:05 pm.

In attendance were: Michael Bischof, Jack Fuller, James Greiner, Ed Hulse, Bob Kovacs, Kelly Lands, David Laminack, Wayne Mosely, Michael Palacio, Bob Peppel, Susan Smith, Priscilla Stanley and Brett Withers.

Tax status- email from Patsy

No additional information from IRS has been received to date. The chapter is incorporated but not listed as a non-profit. A question was raised about the incorporation papers. Bob Peppel and David Laminack will find them and file appropriately. A motion was made to have Bob Peppel and Jack Fuller to investigate and get back to the committee before the next scheduled monthly meeting about the pros and cons of filing for a non-profit status.

Motion by Jack Fuller, 2nd by Ed Hulse

Committees/chairperson assignments

Several new committees were discussed and the list below are ones the board would like to find chairpersons for:

College & University
Education
Membership
Publicity
Website

If anyone is interested in these committees please contact any of the board members.

Reimbursement of convention costs

Dan Ergle's and Reed Thomas' convention expenses.

Next Meeting

Bob will schedule the next meeting it and send a notice to the board.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brett Withers, CPE

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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