

## ACEA Board of Directors Meeting

August 16, 2011

### Attendees

Chris Champion	Henry
Patrick McDougald	Barbour
Josh Harvill	Chambers
Ben Luther	Dekalb
Philip Widner	Jackson
Richard Spraggins	Blount
Ricky Mitchell	Mobile
Dennis McCall	Butler
David Bufkin	Autauga
Sky Hallmon	Pickens
Anthony Crear	Sumter
Henry Hawkins	Chambers
Benjie Sanders	Crenshaw
Dan Dahlke	St. Clair
Daniel Overton	Clarke
Jeremy Robison	Colbert
John Bedford	Colbert
JD Smith	Macon
Randy Cole	Shelby
Rickie Beyer	Elmore
Wayne Sullivan	Jefferson
Bill Bridges	Escambia
Greg Bodley	Morgan
Randy Tindell	Coffee
Marty Lentz	Coffee
Patrick Harvill	Lee
Tim Graves	Etowah
Mark Pool	Houston

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### **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Bridges. A roll taken was taken via sign in sheet and a quorum was established

A motion was made by Patrick McDougald, seconded by JD Smith to accept the Minutes of the April 5, 2011 Board meeting. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

A brief financial report was presented by Chris Champion. Report showed ACEA Assets totaling \$96,069.90 on June 30, 2011. On a motion made by Richie Beyer, seconded by Sky Hallmon, the financial report was approved with a unanimous vote.

Richie Beyer gave a NACE update which included updates on the FHWA Everyday Counts (EDC) initiative. Topics discussed included streamlining projects, possible Geosynthetic Reinforced Soils projects in 4 Alabama counties, and an ALDOT Safety Edge pilot project.

Bill Bridges initiated a discussion concerning ACEA member participation in the 2012 NACE conference in Lexington, Kentucky. The importance of ACEA attendance at NACE was stressed because Richie Beyer will be installed as NACE President at this meeting. Volunteers are also being recruited to work various areas of the conference.

After a lengthy discussion, Patrick McDougal made a motion for ACEA to pay the early registration fee and up to \$500.00 in travel expenses for ACEA members willing to volunteer to work at the 2012 NACE conference. The motion was seconded by Randy Tindell and approved with a unanimous vote.

Richie Beyer gave a report from the Logging Advisory Committee. The committee is reviewing a Georgia Statute and meeting in September to draft legislation concerning logging permits in Alabama.

Sonny Brasfield gave an ACCA report. Sonny introduced Sally McGowan as the ACEA contact on the ACCA staff and she will also be working on the Joint Bid Project.

ACCA is advertising for an Assistant Director of Communications who will work on ACEA newsletters.

Sonny urged everyone to attend the road safety breakout session on Thursday, August 18.

Sonny reported that Road Supervisor Training will be discussed at the Fall County Engineers meeting in October.

Other items discussed included the following:

Mark Pool asked about paying bills for railroad crossing maintenance and the liability issues coming from said maintenance.

Richie Beyer requested that the education committee meet with T<sup>2</sup> and form a possible partnership with their technical classes and CGEI classes.

It was requested of Sally McGowan to compose a letter addressed to County Commissioners addressing the importance of NACE attendance.

There was no further business to come before the Board.

On a motion by Randy Cole, seconded by Richie Beyer and approved on a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Chris Champion, ACEA Secretary/Treasurer

## ACEA Membership Meeting

August 16, 2011

### Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Bill Bridges

Roll was called and a quorum established.

A brief financial report was presented by Chris Champion. Report showed ACEA Assets totaling \$96,069.90 on June 30, 2011.

Richie Beyer gave a NACE update which included updates on the FHWA Everyday Counts (EDC) initiative. Topics discussed included streamlining projects, possible Geosynthetic Reinforced Soils projects in 4 Alabama counties, and an ALDOT Safety Edge pilot project.

Sonny Brasfield reported that Road Supervisor training should emphasize safety and a schedule for said training is forthcoming.

Sonny also reported that the 2010 fall meeting lost money and as a result, registration fees would be increased for the 2011 fall meeting. The fall meeting will continue to include an invitation to ALDOT for the meeting dinner. The 2011 meeting will held at The Legends in Prattville.

Sonny reported that the Golf Bash had been approved by the ethics commission and encouraged members to participate and solicit sponsorships from vendors.

Sonny reported that Tax at the Rack legislation passed in the 2011 legislative session and goes into effect October 1, 2012. Gas taxes will now be collected at the refinery and ALDOT will be responsible for enforcement.

Mary Pons reported that the CGEI classes had been a huge success. She stated that graduates can earn continuing education credits by attending the Fall County Engineer's meeting and the Legislative Conference in December.

Mary also reported the Joint Bid Project is progressing for 2012. Specs are being finalized and the herbicide and sign portion of the project is being expanded. She thanked ACCA staffer Brandy Perry for her assistance with the Joint Bid Project.

Tim Graves of the ACEA Nominating Committee put in nomination the following slate of ACEA Officers for the 2011-2012 year.

President	Randy Cole
Vice President	Chris Champion
Secretary/Treasurer	Dan Dahlke

On a motion by Richie Beyer, seconded by Benji Sanders, these nominations were approved with a unanimous vote.

The following ACEA members were elected to represent their divisions on the ACEA Board of Directors for the 2011-2012 year.

- 1 Bob Pirando
- 2 John Bedford
- 3 Richard Spraggins
- 4 Henry Hawkins
- 5 Arzo Abrams
- 6 JD Smith
- 7 Justin Barfield
- 8 Danny Overton
- 9 Winston Foshee
- EIT Robert Nail

With no other business before the Association, President Randy Cole adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Chris Champion, ACEA Secretary/Treasurer