



APWA Oregon Chapter Scholastic Foundation

Foundation Board Meeting Minutes Joint Meeting with Chapter Board And Subsequent Email meetings

Date: July 12, 2019

Location: WSP, 851 SW 6th Ave, Portland, OR

Minutes (*action items in bold italics*; **individual assignments highlighted in yellow**)

Attending: President Terry Song, Secretary Eric Jones (phone), Director Delora Kerber, Chapter board members Jenifer Willer and Gordon Munro, and Chapter Scholarship Chair Laurie Allen.

Call to Order: The meeting convened by Terry Song at 9:40 a.m. A quorum of Directors was present.

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the April 17, 2019, board meeting were distributed electronically. ***A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes.***

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rick Olson was not available for the meeting. No report given, and no action necessary.

Scholarships

Song reported that the 2019-2020 Past President Scholarship is being awarded to a student at the University of Portland, and the Veterans Scholarship is being awarded to a student at the Oregon Institute of Technology.

Allen provided information about the students recommended by the various colleges and universities for scholarships in 2019-2020. Two schools – Lane Community College and Umpqua Community College – have not submitted recommendations as of this date. **Allen will stay in touch with these two schools to see if they come forward with recommendations by the start of fall term.**

The board had no questions about the other 18 scholarship recommendations at the meeting. However, an email discussion and vote on July 23 affirmed the recommended awards (see minutes of email meetings).

Resolution to Disburse Funds for 2019-2020 Scholarships

Jones recommended that the resolution be broad enough to authorize the treasurer to award all of the foundation's 2019-2020 scholarships yet not compel the treasurer to disburse funds to schools that do not provide approved recipients. Song suggested that the language of the draft resolution be modified to "fund up to 20 scholarships for a total not to exceed \$32,500." ***Willer moved to approve the modified resolution, Kerber seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.***

Foundation Committee Reports

Bylaws Update – The foundation board affirmed its desire to amend the bylaws to specify that there are 11 directors on the board, including the two representatives from the chapter board (president and

immediate past president). This is consistent with current practice and also is consistent with Resolution 05-01, approved as a bylaws amendment in 2005 to expand the foundation board to 11 members. The proposed bylaws amendment will be presented to the foundation/chapter members at the fall conference in Hood River. **Song and Kerber will draft the bylaws amendment resolution prior to the fall conference and provide notice to the membership.**

No other committee reports were presented.

Adjourn

Song adjourned the foundation board meeting at 10:10 a.m. Minutes recorded by Foundation Secretary Eric Jones

2019 Meeting Schedule

- Wednesday, October 23, board meeting at fall conference in Hood River
- Friday, October 25, general business meeting at fall conference in Hood River
- Friday, December 13, conference call

Special July 23, 2019, Email Meeting to Approve Scholarship Award Recommendations

Subsequent to the July 12 board meeting, the agenda item relating to the 2019-2020 scholarship awards was the subject of discussion and a vote via email, specifically a motion made by Jones and seconded by Munro to accept the recommendations for 2019-2020 scholarship recipients as presented by the Scholarship Committee. Participating in the vote were Song, MacRostie' Olson, Jones, Kerber, Webb, Weston, Watkins, Stoneman, Munro, and Willer.

In discussion of the motion, Jones noted that several recipients have or will receive multiple Oregon APWA scholarships. Jonathan Wilson (George Fox) received a \$2,500 APAO/APWA scholarship in 2018-2019 and is recommended to receive a \$3,000 civil engineering scholarship in 2019-2020; Sarah Crisp received a \$3,000 civil engineering scholarship at PSU in 2018-2019 and is recommended to receive two recommended 2019-2020 scholarships; and Emily Diaz-Gunning received a \$3,000 civil engineering scholarship at UP in 2018-2019 and is recommended to receive a \$2,500 APWA/APAO scholarship in 2019-2020. Jones stated that multiple scholarship awards demonstrate that our scholarships are highly valued, and the experience of students who receive multiple scholarships from Oregon APWA may help spread the word about our scholarship program. Jones also noted that Diaz-Gunning has a California mailing address, and Scholarship Committee chair Allen responded that this student's residency situation was brought to the board's attention last year, and foundation board members Song and Weston spoke with UP administration personnel and determined that the scholarship award was appropriate. Following discussion, ***the foundation board voted unanimously to approve the 18 scholarships to the students recommended by the Scholarship Committee.***

Special August 20, 2019, Email Meeting to Modify Scholarship Recommendation

One of the 2019-2020 scholarship recipients decided not to enroll at Portland State University for graduate school, thus making her ineligible to receive the Lindberg Scholarship. Laurie Allen worked with staff at PSU to find an alternate candidate, and subsequently recommended that Gwynn Kaliher-Mackellen receive the scholarship.

On August 20, 2019, the Foundation Board held an email vote to approve the recommendation. Todd Watkins moved to award the Lindberg Scholarship to Gwynn Kaliher-Mackellen. Gregg Weston seconded the motion. A quorum of the ***board voted unanimously to approve the motion.*** Voting aye were Terry Song, Todd Watkins, Gregg Weston, Eric Jones, Ken Stoneman, Rick Olson, Delora Kerber, and Gordon Munro.

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The Scholarship Committee respectfully submits the following recommendations for scholarship awards for the 2019-2020 school year:

Clackamas Community College \$750 Civil Engineering

CCC submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Inna Gergalo, whose concentration is in environmental engineering. She plans to transfer to Portland State University after she completes her first two years of studies at CCC.

George Fox University \$3,000 Civil Engineering

GFU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Jonathan Wilson, whose focus is in water resources engineering. Upon graduation, Jonathan wants to pursue a career in Water Resources and has also set his sights on a master's degree in the same field.

Oregon Institute of Technology \$1,000 Veterans

OIT submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Justin Echternacht who served in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged 04/16/2014. His overall gpa is 3.53 and upon completion of his B.S. in Civil Engineering, Justin wants to pursue his masters.

Oregon Institute of Technology \$3,000 Civil Engineering

OIT submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Natasha Karan. Her gpa is 3.96 and she is currently a junior at OIT. She also wants to pursue her masters degree. Natasha has worked as an intern for two summers with the North Bend Public Works Department assisting the engineering department with surveying projects.

Oregon State University \$1,000 Kurt Corey Tribute

OSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Joseph Nolf, whose concentration is in civil engineering. This summer he is working at Smith Monroe Gray as his second Mecop Internship and is very interested in earthquake engineering and seismic design.

Oregon State University \$500 Civil/ Environmental Engineering Schut

OSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Hunter Rada, whose concentration is in civil engineering and wood science. Hunter is on track to graduate in 2020. He is interning this summer with ISEC, Inc. in Seattle as a cost estimator.

Oregon State University \$1,000 Civil Engineering/Sustainability Ron Polvi

OSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Daniel Carr, whose concentration is in civil engineering with a minor in sustainability. He has worked during the summer as an intern learning and performing project management tasks.

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Oregon State University \$3,000 Civil/ Environmental Engineering/Geomatics

OSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Vladislav Slivkov, whose concentration is in civil engineering. His gpa is 3.85 and he will graduate in June 2020. Vladislav wants to pursue his master's in structural engineering. He wants to be part of a design team that designs building and bridges in the northwest capable of withstanding seismic loads.

Oregon State University \$1,500 Allen Alsing Civil Engineering

OSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Joshua Deaver, who wants to apply for graduate school at OSU. He is interested in water resources and foundations for structures. Joshua is very interested in the work being done to prepare for the Cascadia subduction zone earthquake and he aspires to work with local communities on infrastructure projects to build safer communities.

Portland Community College \$750 Civil Engineering Technology

PCC submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Michael Groome Jr., who wants focus is in civil engineering and geology. His goal is to work in renewable energies in public works. After visiting the Durhgam Wastewater Treatment plant during a class field trip, he was able to see how the facility both recycled materials to create energy and used forms of renewable energy, such as solar panels, to supply themselves with sustainable energy.

Portland Community College \$1,000 Past Presidents

PCC submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Jesse Hague. He is currently completing a degree in civil engineering technology while interning at the City of Ridgefield, training with the city's engineer and development inspector. His long term goal is to make a 3-year career in a local engineering/public works department.

Portland State University \$2,500 APAOEF/APWA Civil Engineering AND \$3,000 Civil Engineering

PSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Sarah Crisp for both the APAOEF/APWA civil engineering and APWA civil engineering/geomatics scholarships. Her goal is to enter a career with the government or a nonprofit organization focused on sustainability through either urban planning or engineering. Sarah is working part-time in an internship with the Portland Water Bureau.

Portland State University \$2,000 Michael Lindberg

PSU submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Gwynn Kaliher-Mackellen. Gwynn is enrolled as a full-time student at PSU's College of Urban & Public Affairs where she's working towards a Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning with a 3.44 grade point average. Gwynn also serves as a Waste Minimization Team Lead at the Port of Portland.

Southwestern Oregon Community College \$750 Forestry, Natural Resources

SWCC submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Amy Kronsberg. She has completed five terms at SWCC and will be graduating with an A.S. in forestry management. Amy will then transfer to OSU in the fall of 2019 to continue to pursue her bachelor's degree in forest management with the intent of graduating 2021.

University of Portland \$2,500 APAOEF/APWA Civil Engineering

UP submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Emily Diaz-Gunning. Emily's long-term educational goals include graduating with her undergraduate degree, and possibly going to graduate school to further her knowledge of civil engineering.

University of Portland \$3,000 Civil Engineering

UP submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Raeziel Casas. Raeziel comes from the island of Guam and her career goal is to become an engineer and utilize her critical thinking skills for projects that directly benefit the public. She completed her first internship with Guam's public sector's water utility. This summer she is interning with KPFF; learning the consulting side of civil engineering.

Walla Walla Community College \$750 Les Lyle Memorial

WWCC submitted and the scholarship committee recommends award to Esgar Parra who resides in Milton-Freewater. Esgar wants to work in the field of public works and he is currently working towards his goal of graduating with a mechanical electrical technology degree in June 2020.

Pending Scholarship Awards

\$750 Lane Community College Merle Langley Memorial Scholarship. To date, the coordinators have not submitted their recommendation for the scholarship award.

\$750 Umpqua Community College Civil Engineering Technology or Civil Engineering Transfer Scholarship. Honey McNamara is the scholarship coordinator and confirmed receipt of the scholarship application materials but no applications have been received to date. Also didn't find the APWA app on the school's website.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Allen

Scholarship Committee Chair
OR Chapter APWA

Edited by board secretary Eric Jones on August 20, 2019