

**ASHE-TRIKO VALLEY SECTION  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday May 25, 2010  
Montgomery Inn Boathouse**

President Vogel called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 11:50 am.

Cindy Minter presented the national conference report, announcing that the 2010 ASHE National Conference is just fifteen days away. She thanked everyone for their hard work preparing for the event and provided a schedule overview. The golf outing and poster session will be held on Friday. If there are not 140 golfers signed up in advance then the second course will be released. Reds tickets were sold for Friday that will include food. The Saturday evening gala will include a Motown band concert. The hospitality room will be open every night. More help will be needed every day in the registration booth and 30 more easels are also needed. A volunteer sheet was sent around.

Bill Lawall gave the treasurer's report. There was a starting balance of \$2,695.39, deposits of \$5,298.90, and expenses of \$2,363.61 resulting in \$5,630.68 in the operating fund plus \$6,000.00 in the scholarship fund. The next general membership meeting will be held on September 28th and the next Board of Directors meeting will be on August 24th at Valley Asphalt. There are currently 175 members in our section. Per John Davidson, the section scholarship was awarded to Luke Stuttler of Ohio College.

Caroline Duffy presented the PIN report. With the extension of the current Transportation bill until December 31, 2010, reauthorization has once again been put on the back burner. While waiting for the Obama administration to unveil its proposal for funding a new multi-year transportation bill, Secretary LaHood issued a statement at the May 6<sup>th</sup> hearing of the Senate Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, indicating \$34.5 billion in bailout transfers from the General Fund of the Treasury to the Highway Trust Fund. This changed the special user-financed nature of the Trust Fund that was in place from 1956 to 2008 and could lead to raiding the Highway Trust Fund in the future for non-transportation purposes. Instead of creating a finance plan to make the Highway Trust Fund liquid again by utilizing the many different options available such as an increase in the gasoline tax, a national infrastructure bank and/or public-private partnerships now there is a threat that monies will be reallocated to non-highway purposes regularly. Senator Voinovich is touting an increase in the gas tax to fund the Brent Spence Bridge. There was also discussion of the climate bill.

Stan Harris presented the regional report, noting that the Region One transportation awards will be presented at the ASHE 2010 conference and that the ASHE store will be on line soon. The National Board has applied for an exposure grant.

President Vogel announced the following slate of officers for the 2010-2011 year:

- President – Jim Jurgensen, Jr.
- 1st Vice President – Paul Schoelwer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Steve Proffitt
- 1st Year Director – Chris Nyberg
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Director – Carol Callan-Ramler
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Director – Matt Loeffler
- 1st Year Director – Jennifer Kunz
- Regional Representative – Stan Harris
- Treasurer – Kevin Savage
- Secretary – Dave Emerick

Caroline Duffy raised a motion that we accept the slate of candidates as read. John Davidson seconded the motion which was carried.

Paul Schoelwer introduced John T. Lyons, P.E., Director of Operations at Strand Associates who presented a program on Green Infrastructure.

After the presentation, President Vogel concluded the meeting by stating what a privilege it had been to serve as president and thanking Cindy Minter and Caroline Duffy in particular for their efforts to organize the 2010 National Conference.

Respectfully Submitted:  
David M. Emerick, Secretary