

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

**Tuesday, September 20, 2011
Montgomery Inn Boathouse**

President Schoelwer called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 11:43 am and recognized guests.

Secretary Emerick indicated that meeting minutes are on table for the May General Membership meeting and were also published in section newsletter.

Chris Nyberg gave the Treasurer's report, announcing a starting balance of \$23,134.88, deposits of \$7,484.53 and expenses of \$10,602.56 resulting in operating capital of \$20,016.85. There are currently 183 members in our section. Annual dues must be paid immediately or you will face reinitiation fees. 120 members have renewed so far.

John Davidson from the scholarship committee indicated that they are just starting the scholarship application process for this year.

Caroline Duffy presented the PIN report, discussing the troubles with passing an extension of the transportation bill as everyone's attention was on the national debt ceiling. The Senate did however pass the bill extension this past week. Senator Mica released a statement applauding the approval of the extension. Issues with major bridges reinforce that a new highway bill is needed. President Obama will be in Cincinnati on Thursday to push for funding to replace bridges such as the Brent Spence. ASHE members are urged to contact your congressman and tell them that you support funding for a new highway bill.

Caroline also covered the concern with LightSquared's temporary waiver to broadcast on 4G frequencies that will interfere with GPS. We are also urged to contact our congressmen regarding this concern.

Ted Hubbard reported on Model law and the structured mentoring proposal. That proposal was voted down; however, BS plus 30 is still on the table and must be voted on by legislators. We will keep our eye on possible votes.

At regional level, the winning highway project presentations will be announced at OTEC. Stan Harris asked for members to update their personal information including e-mail addresses. Attendees were asked to write updates on the sign in sheet. Our section will be submitting another article for the scanner this fall and have two articles already prepared. Doug brand announced that Brad Ackel will be the golf committee chair next year and that six golfers still need to pay fees for the outing last June.

Membership Chair Carol Callan-Ramler encouraged us to invite cohorts to join our section personally.

Joe Vogel announced upcoming section programs of Schramm project presentations in January and the annual Infrastructure program in March.

Per Jenifer Kunz, there was nothing to report on the student chapter. We currently have four active student members.

John Davidson announced that the ACI national conference will be held in Cincinnati October 16th through 20th. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

President Jurgensen introduced Mike Battles and Bob Kerley from Woolpert Consultants to speak on the new Horseshoe Casino in downtown Cincinnati.

After the casino presentation, President Schoelwer announced the resignation of Director Cindy Minter and nominated Nathan Moore to replace her as a first year director. Ted Hubbard raised a motion to accept this nomination which was seconded by Matt Loeffler. The motion carried after which President Schoelwer adjourned the meeting at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:
David M. Emerick
Secretary