



Spokane Chapter

Washington Society of Professional Engineers

There will be no meeting in June.
See chapter news for 2008-2009 Plans

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CHAPTER NEWS

Financial Report

The chapter's current assets are \$4,625.89. As of 5/28/2008, financial reports for 2007-2008 programs were as follows:

PROGRAM	INCOME	EXPENSES	NET INCOME
Bridge Contest	3863.17	6187.46	(2324.29)
EIT Course	860.00	700.00	160.00
MathCounts	0	1343.15	(1343.15)
Gen'l Business	1250.00	620.50	629.50
		<i>Net Income</i>	(2877.94)

We started out the fiscal year with assets of \$7,503.83 and are steadily working our way through them. The Spokane Chapter Executive Board will meet on May 29, 2008 to discuss plans to redirect this trend.

Provided by Bruce Turner, P.E.

May 29th Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Agenda

1. Budget
2. Officer Candidates
3. Summer Social

Budget

- Bruce presented a spreadsheet for chapter expenses and income over the last 10 months. This spreadsheet shows the chapter with a net income of -\$2,877.94 for 2007-2008 and with the chapter having a remaining balance of \$4,625.89. At this rate we will be broke in 1.6 years
- No outstanding bills were reported.
- Bruce expects to receive \$437.50 from the Education Foundation for MathCounts as soon as Scott McDonald provides him with receipts.
- Much discussion as to whether we were receiving our share of the dues from NSPE. Post meeting research by Beth revealed that we have 31 licensed members, 4 members, 3 retired members, 11 life members and 1 dues waiver. This should yield \$730/year in dues. This means the chapter should received \$120 more in dues by the close of our year.
- Bridge Building in Bruce's report had expenses exceeding income by \$2,324.29. Ray Briggs felt the reported expenses for Bridge Building were about \$1,200 too high. Bruce was confident the total numbers for the chapter were correct, but that some expenses may not be under the correct line item.
- There were no Team Jets expenses since the program did not run this year.
- The chapter did not put on a Scholarship banquet this year. Alan Gay reported that the alternative of mailing scholarships to the winners was not acceptable. We will need to plan on a banquet next year.
- Fund Raising alternatives
 - Contact Hansen Foundation to see if they would sponsor the scholarship banquet in addition to funding the scholarships. In addition also ask Hansen Foundation if they would be interested in supporting MathCounts. (Alan G)
 - Look for alternative fund raising opportunities (banks) for MathCounts. (Leonard)
 - Ask our Bridge Building contributors to increase their donations. (All)
 - Increase our chapter dues. (Exec Board to reconsider)
 - Sponsor seminars that are relevant to our members and potential members that produce PDH's required to meet licensing requirements. These seminars would be planned to generate revenue.

Officer Candidates

- Alan Bain is willing to serve another term on the board
- Scott McDonald is willing to serve as Vice President.
- Leonard is checking to see whether either of our active committee chairmen (Ray Briggs and Alan Gay) are able to serve another term on the board.

Summer Social

- No discussion

Provided by Leonard Byrne, P.E.

BORPELS NEWS

BORPELS Special Meeting

The next BORPELS meeting will be:

June 11–12, 2008	Clarion Hotel 31611 20th Ave S Federal Way, WA 98003
July 30–31, 2008	Location to be determined.
September 17–18, 2008	Location to be determined.
November 5–6, 2008	Location to be determined.

The public is welcome to attend both the practice committee meetings and the Board meetings. To ensure you receive releases from the Board in a timely manner, add your name to the listserv at <http://www.dol.wa.gov/business/engineerslandsurveyors/elmaillist.html>.

STATE NEWS

MathCounts 2008 Competition

There are three regions in the State of Washington, 42 regions in the United States, and 43 internationally. WSPE, who sponsors the Washington contests, sent 6 students to the international bridge building contest on April 26th in Chicago. Students are ranked by bridge efficiency which is defined as the load the bridge will withstand (kg) compared to the mass of the bridge (g). Of the 55 contestants, our students placed as follows:

- 2nd Place: Angela Asbury (Inland NW Chapter) with an efficiency of 5495.
- 5th Place: Katie Asbury (Inland NW Chapter) with an efficiency of 5139
- 12th Place: Grant Bowen (Central Washington xx) with an efficiency of 3774
- 16th Place: Bryn Smith (Western Washington xx) with an efficiency of 3249
- 22nd Place: Lucas McComas (Central Washington xx) with an efficiency of 2574
- 34th Place: Casey O'Day (Western Washington) with an efficiency of 1687

The winning bridge with a mass of 8.47 grams held 50 kg before collapsing for an efficiency of 5903. Additional information is available at <http://www.iit.edu/~hsbridge/database/search.cgi:/public/index>. Congratulations to all our contestants and a special thanks to our regional coordinators!

Provided by Ray Briggs, P.E.

Annual WSPE Meeting

The annual WSPE meeting was held coincidentally with the May Board of Trustees Meeting on May 17th at the Red Lion in Wenatchee. Spokane Chapter was represented by Leonard Byrne, Scott McDonald, and Beth Hodgson.

Primary actions or resolutions from the meeting were as follows:

- 2008-2009 WSPE Officers were installed by Michael Hardy, P.E. (NSPE Board of Delegates):
 - President.....Beth Fifield Hodgson, P.E. (Spokane Chapter)
 - President-ElectSteve Short, P.E. (Tri-Cities Chapter)
 - VP East.....Pam Ankrum, P.E. (Tri-Cities Chapter)
 - VP WestBill Kavanaugh, P.E. (West Puget Sound Chapter)
 - TreasurerSteve Parent, P.E. (West Puget Sound Chapter)
 - Past PresidentJohn Schaufelberger (Seattle Chapter)
 - HOD RepresentativeAlan Werner, P.E. (Mt. Rainier Chapter)



- Ten (10) new WSPE meetings were presented and approved for membership including one member to the Spokane Chapter – Ms. Nichol Pettis, EIT of Spring Environmental.
- The Old Clayburn management contract has been renewed for a further five year term commencing July 1, 2008.
- In the chapter leaders workshop held on May 16, a chapter leader’s manual was distributed and will also be posted on the WSPE website.
- Two modifications to the WSPE Bylaws were approved – each chapter should update their bylaws accordingly.
- The Young Engineer of the Year award was presented to Richard Widdle of the Seattle Chapter.



2007 – 2008 CHAPTER OFFICERS

Executive Board:

President	Leonard Byrne, PE	928-8561
President-Elect	OPEN	
Vice President	OPEN	
Secretary/Treasurer	Bruce Turner, PE	624-8125
Director (2 nd Year)	OPEN	
Director (1 st Year)	Alan Bain	534-9711
Past President	Ray Watkins, PE	208-666-4001
WSPE President Elect	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500

Chapter Committee Chairs:

Engineers Week	<i>Not held during 2008</i>	
Explorer Post #725	Mike Dolan, E.I.T.	358-2075
Math Counts	Alan Bain	534-9711
Membership	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500
Model Bridge Building	OPEN	
Newsletters	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500
Scholarships	Alan Gay, PE	328-5139
Team JETS	Gail Allwine, PE	328-4220

2007 – 2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 2008	August 2008 TBD: Summer Social	September 2008 27: WSPE BOT @ Spokane
October 2008	November 2008	December 2008 TBD: Holiday Social
January 2009 23: WSPE BOT @ SEATAC	February 2009	March 2009
April 2009	May 2009 16: WSPE BOT @ Marysville	June 2009