

**FACERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS' and GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING**

**2011 FAC Legislative Conference
Sandestin Resort, Walton County, FL
November 18, 2011**

Board Members Present

Fred Schneider – President *
Jonathan Page – Vice President *
Ryan Douglass – Secretary *
John C. Newton – Treasurer *
Todd Buckles – Director *
Gene Calvert - Director*
Judy Grim – Director*
Ramon Gavarrete – NACE Officer*
Hector Bertran – Past President

* Current Board Members

With a quorum present, Fred Schneider called the meeting to order at 9:31 CST.

Secretary's Report: Ryan Douglass presented the minutes from the FACERS Board of Directors' Meeting held September 9, 2011. Minutes were discussed and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: John Newton presented the attached Treasurer's Report. He noted that the only new expense was associated with the contract with John Goodknight. The report was approved as presented.

Membership Report: John Newton

- John reported that we currently have 49 active FACERS members, of which 8 are free. We also have 26 NACE members. We have 29 Sustaining members of which 3 are free. He noted that he had 8 or 9 potential members from online, but was just waiting on checks from them.
- John Goodknight stated that we need to be consistent in the way we handle membership to include cleaning up membership forms and application procedures.
- Ramon Gavarrete mentioned the possibility of putting the membership application and payment options on the website. Jaime Careon said that this is possible but would need facers bank account information and that we might need to include a service charge to cover the bank fees. Jaime also noted that this may require a little more time than he currently has available. Chris Evers mentioned the possibility of FAC including a link to FACERS on their website. Fred Schneider will contact FAC about this and report back at the June conference.
- John closed by saying that he would be emailing members to get ideas about marketing, etc...

Committee Reports:

Scholarships: No Report

NACE: Ramon Gavarrete on behalf of Scott Cottrell

- Scott sent out an email with his report please find attached.
- Ramon reminded everyone about the NACE Conference April 1st – 5th.

Annual Conference: Jonathan Page

- Jonathan thanked everyone for their help in making the Conference a success.
- A discussion ensued about the topics for the summer conference.
- Bill Steves brought up the topic of the 4 hour laws and rules course. Fred will research possible room opportunities through FAC.

T Square Updates: Janet Degner/Jaime Carreon

- Jaime mentioned the US 92 project in Volusia County on January 10th. He also mentioned an accelerated bridge construction project in Mesquite, Nevada.
- Jaime noted that 26 people had registered for our online broadcast for this session. He noted the new camera and lighting that had been used.
- George Webb asked if we could possibly use online accessing as an incentive for FACERS membership. Jaime noted that he would try for the summer meeting. He noted that it was mainly due to tracking issues that registration had been required in the past.
- Janet recognized the fact that face-to-face time at a conference has significant value.
- Janet discussed the 2012 training schedule and newsletter.
- Janet noted that Marion County has installed 37 miles of safety edge.

Awards: Janet Degner/Jaime Carreon

- Janet requested that everyone begin thinking about and nominating people for awards.

GreenBook: Fred Schneider

- Fred mentioned that nothing new was significant.

Newsletter: Brian Barnes/Carolyn Steves

- Carolyn requested that if anyone has an article that they want included in the newsletter to please send it in.
- Carolyn mentioned that we need a spotlight person. Hector suggested that Ryan be the spotlight. The newsletter will come out in December.
- Carolyn closed by asking for any suggestions on how we might improve the newsletter.

Legislative Issues (mutual Agreement Road Transfers): John Goodknight

- John noted that if anyone had any issues that need to be added to the webpage to just let him know.
- A discussion about the members' site ensued.

Continuing Education: Bill Steves

- Bill noted that if anyone is having a problem getting their continuing education credits should let him know.

Web Site: John Goodknight

- John commended Jaime for doing such a good job with the website. He noted that Jaime had given him permission to make modifications to the website.
- John wants to improve the 'What's in it for me?' area. He also noted that we have added a legislative page and community of practice page.
- John Newton mentioned the possibility of adding a link to APWA and a link to FACERS on the APWA websites. Chris Evers agreed and stated that he would look into it.

FACERS/FES/APWA Issues:

- Chris Evers mentioned that there is a newly formed group that has invited all local government associations to a summit. The summit occurred at St. Petersburg College. He noted that it had brought together 50 people from various government associations around the state. He noted that a steering committee had been formed and encouraged FACERS to get involved in this group. He could not recall the actual adopted name of the group.

New Business:

1. FACERS Social Media / FACERS Banner Stands:

- Jaime discussed the attached social medial policy that he and Amy Blaida had worked on. He noted that it is a good idea for FACERS to adopt a social media policy. A clause will be added that the Board can remove any item at any time.
- Carolyn Steves displayed the RS&H banners. She mentioned that they are guaranteed for life for \$170 for the banners and \$320 per stand. She offered for RS&H to design and purchase the signs for FACERS. She will bring some options to the February meeting.
- The possibility of manning a booth at the FAC event was discussed.

2. Every Day Counts Initiative, EDC

- Nothing added.

3. State Transportation Innovation Council, STIC

- Nothing Added.

4. HB 33

- Nothing added.

5. Proportionate Share

- Fred mentioned Cathleen Neil's involvement in that process.

6. Local Agency Program CEI Functions

- Fred noted that four members of this group met on Tuesday with Duane Broutigam and a few other FDOT staff members.

7. Piggy Backing – Bob Siffert

- Bob asked if FACERS has an opinion to possibly be deposed in an ongoing lawsuit focused on changing the current piggy-backing laws (chip seal lawsuit, Marianna, FL). This was discussed and determined that FACERS will not get involved and will handle legislatively if needed.

8. Floor - Scott Herrington

- Scott mentioned that we should be registering for the conference to support FAC monetarily. Fred stated that he agreed that the officers should register for the conferences. Ramon stated that this is important and that we should communicate with FAC in order to foster a relationship. A discussion ensued. Scott requested to receive a report back on this issue at the February meeting.

Old Business:

1. NACE 2015 Daytona Convention

- Fred asked who was planning on going to the Lexington Conference. He noted that the NACE conference was a great funding source for us in the past. A discussion ensued.
- A final decision will be made at the Board meeting in February with regard to potential support from FACERS.

2. Lap Community of Practice

- It was noted that this was discussed during an earlier session.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 CST.

FACERS ONLINE VOTE
January 23, 2012

Board Members Voting

John C. Newton
Todd Buckles
Gene Calvert
Judy Grim
Ramon Gavarrete
Hector Bertran
Carolyn Steves
Scott Cottrell
Alan Holbach

On January 10, 2012 Fred Schneider (President) requested that the Board members vote yes or no on the following: “We think it’s a good idea to sponsor \$500 toward the NACE 2012 conference as a number of us are going to try and bring it to Florida in 2015. This will give us recognition and an ad in the program. I need Board members to give me a vote yes or no. If I get enough yes we will do it.”

All of the Board members listed above participated in the vote by casting supporting votes. Please see the attached supporting email documents.

Therefore FACERS will provide a \$500 sponsorship to the NACE 2012 Conference.