



MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting
Hyatt Regency Orlando
9801 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819
July 1, 2022
8:30 am

1. **Call to Order:** George Gadiel, President - Welcomed all for attending and called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM
 - a. George presented to Ben Bartlett a plaque as Past President
2. **Officer Reports:**
 - a. Secretary's Minutes, Deborah Snyder and Chad Williams – Deborah sent updated minutes prior to the meeting. Chad will take minutes for the next meeting. Motion to Approve (MTA) minutes of February 25, 2022 meeting by Ramon G., Second by Gator: Unanimous approval.
 - b. Treasurer's Report, Gator Howerton and Deborah Snyder – Gator gave the report. Discussion concerning current members who have not paid their current dues. **ACTION ITEM:** Send email to current County Engineers/Public Works Directors to remind them to pay dues. MTA Treasurer's Report and Action Item by Shane, Second by John: Unanimous Approval
 - c. Vice President's Report, George Gadiel and Gator Howerton – Next Meeting at the Hilton Bayfront in St. Petersburg. November 30, 2022 through December 2, 2022.
 - i. There were many items discussed for topics for the next meeting. i.e. Marion County MSTU/MSBU; Pinellas County Resiliency; Transportation Professionals Certification Board (TPCB) Certifications; National Stormwater Trust; Debris Collection; Sales Tax Revenues; etc.
3. **New Business:**
 - a. Forum Software on website related to tracking responses to member questions – MTA purchasing software Scott, Second by Deborah: Unanimous Approval
 - b. FACERS Business Procedures: See attached document:
 - i. Status of Life Members: Life members who return to work from retirement and are currently employed have to pay dues. MTA Deborah, Second by Ben: Motion passed with one dissenting vote
 - ii. Fee Waivers: A former Municipal or County FACERS member who is employed by a different City or County may be eligible for a fee waiver if:
 1. The former member discontinued FACERS membership after leaving the original City/County, and,
 2. Employment by the new City/County and previous City/County was separated by two years.MTA as written by Brian, Second by Ramon: Unanimous Approval
 - c. Request from FAC (Eric Poole) for FACERS participation in new commissioner training – FAC looking for volunteers. Potential topic – Stormwater.
 - d. Audible-Vibratory marking – See attached letter – After presentations at this conference, discussions with LAP Community of Practice Group, Florida Greenbook Committee, etc. it appears FDOT is willing to work with FACERS on this issue. **ACTION ITEM:** Ben to set up a meeting to discuss with FDOT in the next three to four weeks.

4. Committee Reports and Updates:

- a. Membership, Gator Howerton and Deborah Snyder – Discussed during previous Treasurer’s Report.
- b. Budget, Ramon Gavarrete – Budget overall looking good but we are down \$8,000.00 in dues. **ACTION ITEM:** George G., Deborah, Gator, Amy, Ramon, and John to form a working group to discuss changing dues from individual dues to County/Agency dues. Dues will be based on population and as many members from each agency can participate.
- c. FAC Update, Faye Brainard – No Update
- d. NACE, Scott Herring/Ramon Gavarrete – Next NACE Conference is April 17 – 20, 2023. (This is the same time as APWA Florida)
- e. Legislative, John Goodknight – Discussion of vehicle miles traveled and indexing gas tax. Not all Counties have used all of their discretionary gas taxes yet. Additional gas taxes have to be done by a referendum and general election. Indexing will not happen until this is done. John will amend previous resolution supporting indexing and send to the Board to review. Once reviewed it will go to FAC and the legislature.
- f. Awards – George G. will appoint a committee. David will be on the committee. Faye will send out email reminders. Awards will be given out in November.
- g. Scholarships, Steve Ferrell – He has heard from USF and UCF. He should be receiving an update from FIU soon.
- h. Green Book, Shane Parker – Nothing new to report.
- i. LAP Community of Practice, John Goodknight –
 - i. On going discussion concerning project bundling
 - ii. FDOT District 2 has a pushbutton contract for project bundling – can local roads be added?
 - iii. Discussion of updated traffic signal maintenance agreements to remove Cities and give maintenance to Counties. And to include Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) components. Districts 5 and 4 are being proactive. Recommendation to re-activate the Traffic Signal Committee. Proposed members: George G., David, Scott, Ramon, and Spencer. **ACTION ITEM:** John to forward the list of previous committee members to George G.
- j. LTAP, Pei-Sung Lin, CUTR - Not available to report.
- k. T-Squared, Nithin Agarwal - Not available to report.
- l. Website, John Goodknight - **ACTION ITEM:** Everyone to review website and send comments to John and Faye.
- m. Sponsorships, Amy Blaida – The conference had 29 sponsors and raised over \$20,000.00. Discussion of at future conferences supplying one or two drinks tickets per attendee for the social. Consensus is to allow sponsors to continue addressing the group at the social.
- n. Newsletter, Amy Blaida – George D. and Katie P. to help with the newsletter.

5. Open Forum

- a. Tracy – Presentation to Amend the FACERS Constitution:
 - i. Rescinding Special District Membership. MTA by Deborah, Second by Shane: Unanimous Approval
 - ii. Recommend Amending Article VI to describe NACE Officers to include: President, President Elect, and Secretary/Treasurer and Article XI to include the language “NACE officers are not elected but assume their position based on currently serving as a NACE officer or having been a NACE officer in the past.” MTA to approve both amendments by Brian, Second by Shane: Unanimous Approval.
 - iii. There are two versions of the FACERS logo. Discussion to pick one version but consensus was to keep both.
- b. Amy – PDHs have been changed so one certificate will be sent for all presentations attended instead of individual certificates, starting May 2023.

6. **Next meeting:** TBD – August 2022

7. Adjournment – 10:37 AM

Attendees:

Benjamin Bartlett–Past President
George Gadiel–President
Gator Howereton–Vice President
Deborah Snyder–Treasurer
Chad Williams-Secretary
John Goodnight
David Ricks
Brian Singleton
Steve Ferrell
Ramon Gavarrete
Judith Clarke
J. Scott Herring
Chance Powell
Spencer Anderson
Jim Stivender
Carolyn Eastwood
Katie Peay
George Dzama
Travis Terpstra
Margaret Smith
Tracy Straub
R. Shane Parker
Christopher Simpron
Daniel Schroeder
Amy Blaida
Faye Brainard, FAC