

**EWRI-ASCE**  
**Student and New Professionals Competition Committee**  
**Anchorage, Alaska**  
**May 18, 2005**

**Draft Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS- Jim Groves called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm. Committee members in attendance were: Kate Leonard (ExCOM rep) , James Male, Jamal Nagamia, Purush TerKonda and James Groves (chair). Also in attendance were guests: Balu Bayani, Udai Singh, Katie Gorscak (ASCE staff), and several student guests, Sudarshan Kurwadkar, Ynna Liang, Jain Mamta, and Dale Meck..
  
2. REPORTS ON ONGOING COMPETITIONS  
**Technical Paper Competition** – Kate Leonard reported that there were over 30 entries this year and three of the winning papers were presented at the student session earlier.  
**Photography Competition** – Jim Groves reported eleven entries in 2005 and that the winning photo is in the conference program this year.  
**Team Design Competition** – Jim Male reported that the three team finalists presented their reports earlier and the awards will be made at the Native American Center that evening.
  
3. FUNDRAISING  
Kate Leonard presented the technical paper fundraising report. This year we collected \$3,400 and had spending of \$1,750. The excess will stay in the account for future expenses. Travel and registration was covered by EWRI.  
The photography competition had two sponsors for the \$100 award.  
Parsons-Brinkerhoff continued to sponsor the team design, and *Jim Groves* will send a thank-you letter to a P-B executive.
  
5. ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2006  
**Technical Paper** - Kate Leonard will again be lead for this contest. The paper deadline will be February 10 , 2006. The schedule will be updated by *Balu Bayani* and *Katie Gorscak* will report final date for publication.  
**Photography** – Jim Groves will be the lead. *Jamal Nagamia* will assist in fundraising.  
**Team Design Competition** – Jim Male will step down, but recommended Metin Durant as the chair of this event.  
**SANPC EXCOM Representative** – Kate Leonard will continue in this position until September 2005.
  
6. EWRI AWARDS RECOMMENDATION  
A discussion was held about the possibility of SANPC giving an outstanding service award to member of the council. *Kate Leonard* will follow this matter up with Jery Stedinger.

7. ASSESSMENT OF COMPETITIONS ON LONG TERM MEMBERSHIP

Jim Groves recommended that the committee survey recent winners to determine if they are still active in EWRI. *Dr. Groves* will take the lead in this activity.

8. NEW BUSINESS

**Suggestions on New Competitions**

A brainstorming session ensued on new ideas from both students and professionals. First a “Surprise” competition for students was suggested. This could be implemented along the lines of a quiz show or a technical task.

The other suggestion was sponsoring a poster session for students, for the papers that didn’t place in the technical paper competition and other student entries. This suggestion will be pursued for the Omaha conference in 2006 (*Udai Singh*).

9. ADJOURNMENT

The board meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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