AGENDA:

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Review/Approve Meeting Minutes from 10/08/19

3. Discuss Committee Goals and Objectives
   a. Are we meeting commitment to membership?
   b. New Potential Legislative Efforts?

4. Legislative Update
   a. NC Bills or Issues of Interest.
   b. National Level.

5. Meetings with NC and US Representatives

6. Recent Events
   a. ACEC Fall Conference in Chicago – October 13th-15th
   b. FAR Training – October 28th
   c. ACEC/NC & NCDOT Joint Transportation Conference – October 28th-29th
   d. B & I Symposium – October 31st 8am-11:30am
   e. Engineering Excellence Awards – November 19th 5:30pm-9pm
   f. Charlotte Holiday Reception – December 5th
7. Upcoming Events
   a. Mid-Year Review with the Board – December 12th
   b. Raleigh Holiday Reception – December 12th
      i. Sheraton Hotel – Downtown Raleigh
      ii. 5:30-9:30
      iii. Casino Games, Silent Auction, Raffle Items

8. PAC Updates
   a. ACEC PAC Update. (2019 Goal = $35,500)
   b. ACEC/NC State PAC.
      i. Fundraising Task Force.
   c. IE.

9. ACEC Committee/Forum Liaison Updates
   Board: Paul Meehan
   Environmental & Energy: Ryan Mitchell
   Transportation: John Adams
   Business Practices: Brock Storrusten
   B & I (Econ. Dev.): Walt Gray
   Senior Leaders Forum: Jim Smith

10. Open Discussion

11. Next Meeting
   a. Tuesday, February 11th

12. Attachments
   a. Meeting Minutes 10/08/19
Chair: Jeremy Potter  
Vice Chair: Brock Storrusten  
Board Liaison: Paul Meehan  
Attendees: Jeremy Potter, Brock Storrusten, John Adams, Jack Cowsert, Nick Ramirez (phone), Ellen Turco, Patrick Waterman, Paul Steinman, Davis Diggs (phone), Brian Glidewell, Josh Massrock

1 Welcome and Introductions  
   a. Introductions of the attendees.  
   b. Thank you to MS Consultants for sponsoring lunch.

2 Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from 8/13/2019  
   a. No comments noted. Approved.

3 Discuss Committee Objectives  
   a. Please review objectives. No comments were noted.

4 Legislative Update  
   a. NC Legislation  
      i. Transportation  
         1. The cash balance at NCDOT is an issue and resulted in approximately 900 projects across the state to be stopped.  
         2. There are at least two bills being drafted to assist the cash balance crisis.  
            a. Concern was expressed over the potential State Auditor oversight in one of the bills that could slow the process of getting funds to NCDOT.  
            b. The best approach for PEFs to express concern to the NCGA is to tie the cash balance crisis to job layoffs.  
      
   b. National Level  
      i. FEMA Reimbursement – There was discussion of the delay between President Trump and Lt. Gov. Dan Forest.

5 Meetings with NC and US Representatives  
   a. Scott Stone (Candidate for Lt. Gov) – Brock Storrusten
b. Governor Cooper – Representatives from HNTB had a meeting with the Governor regarding the NCDOT cash balance crisis.

6 Recent Events
   a. Environmental & Energy Committee Social – August 14th
   b. Asheville Member Reception – August 15th
   c. Southern Transportation Civil Rights Executive Council Symposium – August 19th-22nd

7 Upcoming Events
   a. ACEC Fall Conference in Chicago Oct 13-15th.
   c. FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) Overhead Training on October 28th 8:30-4:30pm. SOLD OUT.
   d. B&I Symposium – October 31st.
      i. 8am-11:30am
      ii. Embassy Suites in Brier Creek.
   e. Engineering Excellence Awards – November 19th
      i. 5:30pm-9pm
      ii. Deadline to register is November 4th.
      iii. Pinehurst Resort
   f. Charlotte Holiday Reception – December 5th at Old Mecklenburg Brewing
   g. Raleigh Holiday Reception – December 12th

8 PAC Updates
   a. ACEC PAC Update
      i. 2019 Goal = $35,500
      ii. Approximately 70% of goal.
   b. ACEC NC PAC
      i. The Task Force is finalizing details of a fundraising idea to be presented to the Board of Trustees.
   c. ECNC (IE) – Companies can contribute directly to this fund. Please encourage your companies to participate.

9 ACEC Committee/Forum Liaison Updates
   a. Board (Paul Meehan) – No update provided.
   b. Environmental & Energy (Ryan Mitchell) – No update provided.
c. Transportation (John Adams) – No additional updates beyond previous discussion under item 4. However, there is a call to action by the Chamber of Commerce on October 9th at the NCGA for folks to attend and speak with as many NCGA members as possible to request support for the cash balance issue with NCDOT.

d. Business Practices (Brock Storrusten) – Currently planning a joint event with B&I for the spring of 2020.

e. B & I/Econ. Development (Walt Gray) – No update provided.

f. Senior Leaders Forum (Jim Smith) – No update provided.

10 Open Discussion

a. New Potential Legislative Efforts

i. During the meeting, the following topics were introduced and will be discussed further in the future.

1. Penalty for folks practicing engineering without being a licensed P.E.

ii. Looking for more ideas for our next great piece of legislation to help our industry, our business, and our profession. The following items were introduced in previous committee meetings.


2. Design Build Contracting.

3. Electronic Signatures - 21 NCAC 56 .1103 STANDARD CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is anticipated to be at 11:30am on Tuesday, December 10th at the ACEC/NC office, Large Conference Room. The tentative schedule for the remainder of the 2019-2020 year is as follows

- Tuesday, February 11th
- Tuesday, April 14th
- Tuesday, June 9th

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeremy Potter, P.E.              Brock Storrusten, P.E.

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