

ACEC/NC Legislative Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2018

11:30 am

Chair: Jeremy Potter
Vice Chair: Jay Barr
Board Liaison: Brian Glidewell
Attendees: Jeremy Potter, Jay Barr, Ron Miller, Reggie Scales (phone), John Adams, Nick Tennyson, Terry Winebrenner, Josh Massrock, Bill Gilmore, Paul Steinman, Elizabeth Phipps, Craig Hyman, Walt Gray, Brian Glidewell, Jim Smith, Jessica Mills

1. Introduction of the Committee
 - a. Introductions of the attendees.
 - b. Thank you to *American Cast Iron Pipe* for sponsoring lunch.
2. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from 2/13/2018
 - a. No comments noted.
3. Discuss Committee Objectives
 - a. No comments were noted regarding the ongoing discussion of “is the committee meeting its commitment to membership?”
4. Meetings with NC and US Representatives
 - a. No recent meetings scheduled with NC Reps.
 - b. No recent meetings scheduled with US Reps. outside of CCD.
 - c. Consulting Congress Days - April 17th – April 18th
 - i. Meeting with numerous US Reps on Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning.
 - ii. Meeting with Senators Burr and Tillis in Burr’s office Wednesday afternoon.
5. Legislative Update
 - a. NC Bills of Interest (Build NC)
 - i. Short session starts May 16th.
 - ii. Budget reconciliation may pop up.
 - iii. GARVEE Bonds will likely hit opposition in the Senate because of school bonds.
 - iv. Opposition to licensure of interior designers – the bill has gone through the House.
 - v. Opposition to Job Order Contracting (Senator Tucker).
 - b. National Level

- i. Infrastructure Funding – this will be a briefing point during CCD.

6. Recent Events

- a. March 21st – Future Leaders Legislative Process Class
 - i. New presenter this year, Jonathan Kappler of the North Carolina FreeEnterprise Foundation. Jay and Jeremy stopped in prior to the start of class to introduce the Legislative Committee to the Future Leaders Class.
- b. March 27th – Luncheon with Senator Phil Berger
 - i. EPAC hosted the event, however the participation of ACEC/NC was recognized.

7. Upcoming Events

- a. April 17th-18th – Consulting Congress Days in Washington, D.C.
 - i. Tuesday evening reception.
 - ii. Wednesday meetings.
- b. May 3rd – Inaugural ACEC/NC State PAC Sporting Clay Fundraiser
 - i. Drake Landing in Fuquay-Varina, NC.
 - ii. There will be a limit of 52 shooters.
 - iii. Rep. Scott Stone will speak at the event and the STATE PAC plans to make a donation at the event to Rep. Stone.
- c. May 7th – Business Resource Expo at the McKimmon Center
 - i. There will be several speakers with the City of Raleigh and NCDOT represented.
- d. June 6th – N.C. Day at the Legislature.
 - i. Collaborative event with AIA, CAGC, PENC.
- e. June 18th – Legislative Golf Tournament at Prestonwood Country Club
 - i. Registration coming soon.

8. PAC Updates

- a. ACEC PAC Update
 - i. 2018 goal is \$34,435.
 - ii. Current donations are approximately \$4,000.
 - iii. Hoping for \$4,000 in donations at the golf tournament.
- b. ACEC/NC State PAC
 - i. Now able to accept credit/debit card donations through the ACEC/NC website under the Advocacy tab.
 - ii. Fiscal Year (July 1st, 2017 – June 30th, 2018) Goal is \$10,000
 - 1. ~\$3,500.00 to date
 - iii. Plan a future Fall 2018 fundraiser.
 - iv. Contributions have been made to Rep. Arp and Sen. Rabon in the amounts of \$500 each.

c. Independent Expenditure Account (IE) – no update.

9. ACEC Committee/Forum Liaison Updates

a. Board:

i. Last Board meeting was March 15th. There was a very interesting tour of Charlotte Motor Speedway after the meeting.

b. Environmental & Energy:

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c. Transportation:

i. There is an upcoming pre-construction workshop with NCDOT on May 8th and 9th.

1. Consulting firms will be limited to 2 participants each.

ii. Joint NCDOT/ACEC Conference will be September 18th.

d. B & I (Econ. Dev.):

i. Symposium October 2nd.

e. Senior Leaders Forum:

i. There will be a roundtable discussion at Summer Conference.

f. Business Practices Forum: No update provided.

10. Open Discussion

a. The South Carolina Engineering Conference was mentioned and it was estimated that 500 SCDOT employees attended. There was positive discussion about the conference and participation.

11. Attachments: (None)

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is anticipated to be at 11:30am on Tuesday, June 12th at the ACEC/NC office.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeremy Potter, P.E.



Jay Barr, P.E.