



## MEETING MINUTES

**Members of the Board:** Tricia Ladely (Chair), Ron Bruner, Josh Bryan, Joe DiBucci, PJ Donoghue, Brian Lucarelli, Carly McGee, Ryan Pendeville, Steve Reed (*regrets*) and Dave Thomas

**Staff:** Beth Rader (Secretary/Treasurer)

### a. Administrative

- a. **Approval of 11-8-2021 minutes.** *Bruner motioned to accept; Pendeville seconded. Approval was unanimous.*

### b. Old Business

- a. **Anti-Trust Policy – Action Item: Ladely will convert the form to a fillable pdf and then we can all do electronic signatures in the future for archiving.**
- b. **Engineering is Everywhere Program –** Lucarelli is setting up an introduction with Riverview and will include the contact from the Avonworth School District. **Action Item: Ladely to forward Avonworth contact to Lucarelli.**
- c. **Board Member Packet –** Ladely and McGee are still working on this.
- d. **Virtual webinar to Student Chapters –** Plans are to have Amy Pergalsky, a fellow of ACI, talk to the students about her association with ACI and encourage them to become involved. Bryan also had plans to have students provide us with a review of their Chapter’s activities. **Action Item: DiBucci and Bryan will work together to decide if this can be a combined effort at our March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting for both students and Chapter members, or if Amy would prefer to do a virtual webinar to the students only.**

### c. New Business – NONE

- a. **Request for Sponsorship – ACI Spring Convention-Orlando Florida.** *Bruner motioned to sponsor at the \$500 level; Bryan seconded. Approval was unanimous.*
- b. **ACI Spring Convention-Orlando Florida, March 27-31, 2022 –** The Chapter pays for the President and VP to attend the convention. If one or both cannot attend, the opportunity is given to other board members. Tricia’s attendance is paid for by the Foundation, so her spot is available. Rader emailed Reed to confirm his plans.

### d. Committee Reports

- a. **Certification Committee: Ron Bruner** - Committee Chair. Bruner reported that he and Lawrence have continued to discuss the option of purchasing/leasing property for the Chapter to have one central testing center for certification programs. Ladely mentioned that ACI may be willing to help guide us through this process. **Action Item: Lawrence, Bruner, Rader to have a zoom meeting with Mike Morrison and John Nehasil from ACI to research the idea and the potential cost that may be involved.**



**Certification Classes & Testing:**

***Grade I Schedule:***

Dec 13-14 at Ligonier Stone & Lime in Latrobe, PA (43)

Jan 10-11 at J.J. Kennedy in Shippenville, PA (22)

Jan 24-25 at DuBrook in Clarion, PA (13)

Feb 7-8 at NESL in Roaring Spring, PA (37)

Feb 21-22 at Golden Triangle in Imperial, PA (23)

March 7-8 at Stone & Co. in Greensburg, PA (8)

***Strength/Aggregate:*** January 29<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD – (1) minimum of 10 required

***Flatwork:*** February 19<sup>th</sup> at GTC, Imperial PA (10)

Andy is planning to add an additional flatwork sometime in March or April.

***SCC:*** Bryan noted that Concrete Concepts would be willing to host a session

***Adhesive Anchor:*** PACA will be handling this certification for PennDOT until the board decides how our Chapter wants to handle this certification program.

**b. Programs Committee: *Steve Reed*** - Committee Chair

Thomas suggested inviting PennDOT personnel to dinner meetings in an effort to increase their participation with our Chapter. **Action Item: Bruner will get the contacts and follow-up on this.**

**Upcoming Meetings & Chapter Events:**

▪ **Member Meetings**

- **Jan 12<sup>th</sup>:** Dale Rosinski and Steve Hrvoich - Presentation will be about the 576 to 79 expressway and lessons learned in long-life concrete
- **Feb 9<sup>th</sup>:** Jim Render from Specification Products will present on nano silica in concrete
- **Mar 9<sup>th</sup>:** Tentative Amy Pergalsky - Young Professional Presentation

▪ **President's Dinner – January** at Gauchos in Pittsburgh

▪ **Awards Banquet – April 22 @** the Beaver Train Station

▪ **Golf Outing – July 25, 2022 (has been confirmed)**

**Action Item: Rader to send out save the date for Awards and Golf dates**

**c. Public Relations Committee: *Ryan Pendeville*** - Committee Chair

• **Newsletter** – January to include: President's message and Lifetime Achievement announcement

• **Social Media Accounts – (Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn)** Pendeville uploaded the account passwords to Drop Box. He also has the meeting dates posted and plans to add the certification classes.



- d. **Awards Committee: Carly McGee** - Committee Chair
- **Founders Award** – Application was mailed on 11/9 to universities, was in the Fall newsletter and posted to social media accounts.
  - **Excellence in Concrete Project Award** – It was mailed and the application is posted on the website.
  - **Lifetime Achievement Award** – Rader to email announcement to the membership in January 2022. Past recipients of this award will be included in the announcement. **Action Item: McGee to edit the announcement before mailing.**
  - **Distinguished Chapter Service Award** – We have nominated Andy Lawrence for this award in the past. Ladely will check to see if he is eligible for nomination again. **Action Item: Ladely to email the “DSA” link to the Board.**
  - **Women in Pittsburgh ACI** – Wayne Miller suggested recognizing past women who supported the Chapter. Thomas is working on a letter to send to McGee and McGee will poll the board for ideas of a token of appreciation.
- e. **Finance Committee: Joe DiBucci/Brian Lucarelli** –  
DiBucci and Lucarelli plan to contact Rader to get details on the member dinner meetings income/expenses to have a detailed report for next month’s meeting.

**Current Finances:**

Checking	\$ 57,156
Money Market	\$ 5,688
PayPal	\$ 10,813
Centauri Investments	\$443,001
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$516,658</u></b>

- f. **Student Chapter Committee: Josh Bryan** - Committee Chair

Active Student Chapters:

- University of Pittsburgh @ Johnstown – Andy plans to schedule a Grade I class for them in the Spring
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pennsylvania College of Technology – Bryan looking to schedule a networking event – They already have a Grade I scheduled that is being sponsored by another organization

Status of:

- University of Pittsburgh – No commitment as of yet
- Geneva – Due to the smaller size of their school they have no intent to organize a Student Chapter at this time



Wednesday, 12-8-2021  
Board Meeting

**Industry Events for the 2021-2022 ACI Year:**

ACI Fall Convention – Atlanta, GA - Oct 17-21, 2021  
PACA Annual Meeting – Hershey, PA – Nov 15-16, 2021  
World of Concrete – Las Vegas - Jan 17-20, 2022  
ACPA/PA Concrete Conference in Harrisburg - Feb 23-24, 2022  
Pittsburgh Regional Science & Engineering Fair – March 22-25, 2022  
ACI Spring Convention – Orlando, FL - Mar 27-31, 2022

**Adjournment: Lucarelli motioned; DiBucci seconded.**

**Next Board Meeting: TBD**

**Next dinner meeting is January 12<sup>th</sup>. Domenicos can accommodate us for the dinner meeting, but if we plan to hold the board meeting prior to it, we would have to be in the restaurant area due to another function they have scheduled that day.**

**Anti-Trust Statement: Our chapter's meetings and activities are subject to strict compliance with antitrust laws and shall be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the antitrust laws. Any discussion of competitively sensitive topics with a competitor should always be avoided before, during, and after any meeting or activity of the chapter. **If at any time during any meeting or activity, the chapter Executives or Officers believe that antitrust laws are being violated, or will be violated, they will advise attendees as such and halt further discussion.** Attendees at any meeting or activity also should immediately voice their concerns. The chapter President will report the incident to ACI."**