

ASCE- GEO INSTITUTE GROUTING COMMITTEE

Minutes of Fall Meeting Wednesday, February 17, 2015, Phoenix, AZ

Present:

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- 1) Call to Order
 - a. Meeting was called to Order 3:15 pm. by Paolo Gazzarrini
- 2) New Members
 - a. We had 2 attendees who were not members and are considering joining: Michael Dubeau and Ben Possiel.
- 3) Fall Meeting October 2015, MoM approval
 - a. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes
 - b. Minutes were approved
- 4) 2017 GI- ICOG Grouting Conference.
 - a. GI signed the contract with the hotel Sheraton Waikiki, Honolulu, July 9-12, 2017
 - b. GI assured the committee that after the SEI-GI conference they will dedicate more time for the organization of our conference.
 - c. Call for papers to occur asap. A draft was presented. See attached.
 - d. Need to focus on Japan/China finding people for the Technical Advisory Committee.
 - e. No demo at the conference due to the location, but there will be an exhibit area.
 - f. Short courses. To be discussed.
 - g. Next meeting, conference call is scheduled for March 16th 12.00 pm EST.

5) ROSTER

Chadi sent out an email to all members who have not been active and participating in committee meetings/activities. Out of the 22 contacted, 4 responded.

A clean up of the roster will be done eliminating the members who didn't respond and are not active anymore.

Discussions about how we can recruit new members and promote active participation.

6) NEW GI and Committee Web Pages. <http://grouting.geoinstitute.org/>

GI had major problems with their webpage, and it is still under construction. They will inform us when the web site is ready to access.

7) Educational Outreach. Chadi

Chadi received several drafts. The sub-committee will prepare a draft of the presentation.

8) Jet Grouting Guidelines Update – Tom Richards

Donald, as reviewer, sent to Tom some minor comments.
On track to be finalized asap.

9) Compaction Grouting Guide – Sam Bandimere

A meeting of the Committee was held after our regular meeting.

10) DIGGS. www.diggsmil.org – Allen Cadden

No update.

11) Grout Line

- a. Login by the user is now required to access the information on the site. Goal is to track user activity.
- b. Content is sufficient for March, 2016 publications
- c. Needs more papers/content

12) Fundamental Grouting Course – Co-sponsored by GI

- a. This year there was a change of venue at the University of Texas at Austin.
- b. The group suggested that Chadi recommend a “home base hotel”.
- c. Discussed “student involvement”, recruiting young members and how to engage them in the course. Funding from GI?
- d. Discussed nomination and invitations to associate professors for attendance “comped”

13) Yoga- need to appoint awards chair and send award nominations particularly the Hayward Baker award nomination should be coming out of this committee. Focus on bringing in new members

14) SEI- GI, joint venture conference, Phoenix February 2016. Sessions. Chadi

- a. We had 2 sessions (64 and 66) with 5 papers in each session. One of the presenters in Session 66 had to cancel last minute.

15) Donna Dicker, ASCE editor, explain new publishing methods. New “e-books” system.

If interested:

<http://ascelibrary.org/page/authors>.

16) Next Meeting

Next Meeting (spring meeting) scheduled for May 17, 2016 by conference call via Skype. Some participants who connected with Skype meeting had good feedback. Details to follow.

17) Meeting Adjourned 5 pm.