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NRMCA Educational Activities Committee Meeting
Sunday, March 20, 2011
Las Vegas, NV
Presiding Officer: Patsy Bergquist

ATTENDEES: Patsy Bergquist, Chancy Enterprises; Bryce Mobley, Mobley Construction Co.; David Ayers, NRMCA; Eileen Dickson, NRMCA; Paul Dunn, BASF; Kevin Grogen, Roebeck Consulting Group; Terry Jones, IMI; Michael Krauss, Euclid Chemical; Tanya Komas, California State University, Chico (with students); Jennifer LeFevre, RMCREF; Lionel Lemay, NRMCA; Colin Lobó, NRMCA; Gary Mullings, NRMCA; Alan Sparkman, Tennessee Concrete Association, Students from New Jersey Institute Technology

• Call to order and introductions – Patsy Bergquist
• Antitrust statement - Patsy Bergquist
• ACTION: Approval of minutes of October 1, 2010 Go-to-Meeting – Patsy Bergquist
• UPDATE: RMC Research & Education Foundation- Jennifer LeFevre
  a. Jennifer updated the committee with a summary of the Foundation’s recent deliverables. Many could be found at the Foundation’s booth at NRMCA’s convention or on the Foundation’s website.
  b. Additionally she discussed the progress made by the MIT Initiative as well as its tie in with International Sustainability Conference, in Boston, August 9-11.
• UPDATE: OES Committee – Dave Ayers, Terry Jones, Gary Mullings:
  a. Dave discussed that there has been little impact moving Safety Certification course to interactive, online format though OES hopes to revive the face-to-face class option so it can, once again, implement the hands-on, applied, field exercise.
  b. Gary updated EAC regarding FMCSA “Drivers Hours of Service” regulations: NRMCA submitted comments and testified regarding work time versus driving time, with the anticipated changes announced in July 2011.
  c. Gary announced all the OES-related key courses are set for 2011 to allow members to budget. Additionally, Plant Manager Certification will be revised to include a field exercise starting with the August 2011 course in Silver Spring. Finally, the annual Dispatch Management webinar that will run March 28-29 has lots of registrations, perhaps reflecting the industry’s need to think about how they will strategically evolve the dispatch system in the future. As for possible new courses, there appears to be a need to teach the industry how to be a Green Star auditor.
  d. San Diego Concrete Works® seminars will be put together in the next month or so OES welcomes recommendations.
  e. As the new HR Task Group evolves, OES seems the 2 interfacing. Eileen will keep EAC updated
  f. OES will deliver 4 sessions at CONEXPO-AGG, specific to RMC.
UPDATE: Research, Engineering and Standards Committee: Colin Lobo, Gary Mullings
a. RES has established its class schedule through 2011, including Short Course, Durability (Level 4, Concrete Technologist), and 2½ day technical seminars
b. RES will merge the content of Short Course and Durability to develop a specific certification to meet the needs of the Middle East.
c. RES will continue to develop and offer a course to teach how to inspect a plant to support NRMC A’s Concrete Plant Certification program. It is becoming more important as various states, such as South Carolina require the plants to be certified.
d. NRMCA Field Testing Grade II certification is a new program that fills a gap after a technical person passes ACI’s Field Technician, Level I. The program was discussed with ACI. It will be delivered in the same format as ACI and NRMCA (Pervious Concrete Certification). The certification will grow, as has the ACI Grade 1 certification, once it is speed.
e. RES will deliver 3 certifications and 4 technical sessions during CONEXPO-CON/AGG.

UPDATE: Sustainability Committee - Lionel Lemay
a. While the Committee approved courses for the STEPS ® program in the passed, its upcoming meeting will propose a 3rd required course, Life Cycle Costs.
b. The Committee offers a number of free webinars, including one on biodiversity and another on sustainable plant guidelines.
c. The committee works with MIT’s Sustainability Hub to keep abreast of trends and research finding to provide sustainable-related education to internal and external audiences. This will culminate with the International Sustainability Conference, in Boston, August 9-11.
d. Additionally, the Sustainability Committee held 2 fall conferences in the Middle East and will hold between 2-3 more in Fall 2011. Details are still being worked out.

ACTION: following discussion regarding October decision to form an EAC Task Group to work on an update outline for CCSP Module II, the task group will begin its work this summer. Alan Sparkman volunteered to head the committee. It will meet in June, in Nashville, at Tennessee Concrete Association. A contractor has also volunteered to help gain a broader perspective.

ACTION: EAC’s hopes to release a free-for-members, 3-5 minute, “career day” download for elementary schools by ConcreteWorks®, in late September. Eileen asked for help to review it once together.

a. ACTION: OES volunteered to review it to assure it includes both safety tips as well as appropriate information about the working of a ready mix truck

UPDATE: Driver Education
a. Concrete Delivery Professional (CDP) has about 700 drivers who have completed or who are working on the program.
i. The website will be updated so producers can access information about the program easier. The update will be ready in April 2011.
ii. ACTION: Request from OES that the online certification is not complete until an pre-trip is completed. Now, drivers get a certificate for the online portion. Members request that it stop and refer the drivers to their supervisors to execute a pre-trip.

b. Mentor Driver® Interactive Lessons:
   i. The goal is to have 8-10 ready for Winter 2011.
   ii. ACTION: EAC wants the sales vehicle to be a subscription series based on usage, in a pay-per-view format. NRMCA will examine how it can execute the request.

- Open forum: other business and questions?
  a. ACTION: EAC will support Professor Komas’s request to supply projects her CIM students can execute as senior capstone projects. Two ideas immediately arose: working with the CCSP Task group on the up date for Module II as well as work on materials for elementary and secondary schools regarding the industry.

- ACTION: the next meeting will be a face-to-face meeting at ConcreteWorks®. Eileen will notify the NRMCA Meetings Department.

- Adjournment

Secretary

Eileen Dickson
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