



General Membership Meeting Minutes 08/17/17

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 11:35
- Members present: Kent Groh, Mike Banta, Nik Smilovsky, Ryan Kelly, James Gill, Nate Gardner, Ken Converse, Scott Spears, Michael Fondren, Ivan Morales, Dennis Harmon, Michael Clark and Bret Okraski
- Remote: Ted Mort, Ron Barbala and Bill Swope
- Guest: Jeremiah Riojas, Rick Chappell, Paul Granillo and Tom Lute

Approval of Minutes

- 05/12/2017 General Membership Meeting Not Available (lost)

President's Report (Kent Groh)

- 2017 Rejuvenation , USofAZ entering its next growth phase
- BTR Update, Letter to Governor Ducey regarding the continued need for Licensure to protect the Public at Large
- Survey Apprenticeship Program update, 2 students at the present time, Program will be modified to incorporate portions of the program into general construction studies with a class in land surveying.
- Glendale Community College; single surveying class and lab still moving forward. James Gill to look and ask for volunteers to assist with equipment and field lab support.
- USofAZ is starting a "Mentorship Program" Nik Smilovsky to Chair
- On-line Chat Room to be created on website; Mike Fondren to monitor.
- Continued discussion of Arizona Surveyors Manual

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Mike Banta)

- Savings \$25.00
- Checking \$7323.09
- PayPal \$0.00
- Outstanding Checks \$600.00
- Net Balance \$6748.09

Association Manager Report (Megan Groh) Verbal Report by Kent

- Newsletter (Field Notes) will be released for September.

Action Items

- USOFAZ Director Position were filled by Nate Gardner and Bret Okraski.
- USOFAZ Education Leader position is available.
- USOFAZ Surveyors Week 2018, Leadership role is open.
- Philanthropy: Donations were asked for and approved for a Donation of \$500.00 to Children's Hospital in the name of Adam Froke, at the request of Michael Banta.
- It is with sad hearts that we learned of the passing of Greg Dolpin in a tragic accident. A Go Fund Me site is to be created in his honor to help with the future education of his children.

Next Meeting September 22nd, 2017 place TBD

Respectively Submitted,
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