

# ALASKA SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING  
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***Board Meeting***  
*November 18, 2006*  
*AeroMetric Conference Room, 9 a.m.*

## 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Martin Gutoski called the meeting to order Those in attendance were:

### A. Roll Call:

Attendance as follows:

President	– Martin Gutoski
Past-president	– Michael Schoder (Telephone)
President-elect	- Tim Sprout
Treasurer	– Dean Cimmiyotti
Secretary	– Michael Spangler
WestFed Delegate “A”	– Paul Whipple
WestFed Delegate “B”	– Richard Heieren
NSPS Governor	- George Strother

### Chapter Presidents:

Anchorage	- Michael Miller
Fairbanks	- Nils Degerlund (Telephone)
Mat-Su	- Fred Schwaderer
Kenai	– Glenn Tinker Telephone)
Student Chapter	– Kay Tanner, Carlos Caceres

Standards of Practice	– John Bennett (Absent)
Membership	– Jim Sharp (Excused) / Mike Spangler
APDC	– Paul Whipple, Michael Schoder
Legislative Liaison	– Paul Whipple
AELS Board Members	– Cliff Baker, Rich Heieren
Executive Secretary	– Vicky Sterling

## 2. Approve Agenda

The agenda was approved.

## 3. Minutes of September 23, 2006

Minutes were approved as distributed with agenda, incorporating comments from e-Review.

## 4. President's Report

Waived.

## 5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Cimmiyotti distributed the Treasurer's Report through 11/17/2006 and noted that the income column looks skewed because membership committee did great job last year and \$18,000 in dues for this year were deposited in 2005.

*Report was accepted on motion/second by Strother/Schwaderer.*

Treasurer Cimmiyotti distributed a Proposed ASPLS FY 2007 Budget. After some discussion and adjustment the proposed budget was re-distributed.

*Proposed FY 2007 Budget as amended was approved on a motion/second by Strother/Whipple.*

Note: this item of business was conducted after the Chapter Reports for convenience.

## 6. Chapter Reports

**Anchorage:** Mike Miller reported that the Anchorage Chapter passed 2 motions at its October 17 meeting that have been presented to President Gutoski in writing, concerning the NCEES model rule and AELS Board intentions to adopt. The chapter nominated Mike Fretwell for WestFed Seat A. Discussion followed in which Baker and Heieren clarified Board related issues. Miller to invite AELS Board Vice Chair Bo Brownfield to chapter meeting, as Bo is familiar with NCEES.

**Fairbanks:** Nils Degerlund reported that the chapter's former account at NBA is closed. The Alaska Railroad made an excellent presentation on safety at last chapter meeting. Chapter voted to provide up to \$1000 for UAA student housing during ASMC in March.

**Kenai:** Glenn Tinker reported the chapter sponsored the floodplain workshop and had good attendance. He is preparing a presentation on value of membership for December 2 meeting. Strother agreed to attend and address benefits of NSPS membership. Gutoski asked chapter to consider student sponsorship for ASMC at next meeting; student rep will try to attend as well.

**Mat-Su:** Fred Schwaderer reported the chapter voted to endorse the Anchorage Chapter's letter to President Gutoski. Next meeting is the 29<sup>th</sup> and he will raise the subject of student sponsorship. A student rep will try to attend.

**Students:** Kay Tanner presented an estimated cost of \$400 per student to attend conference and estimated they would have 10 students interested. Students want clarification of expectations for

work and attendance. Sprout will contact Frontier Airlines about being a conference sponsor / offering discount for the students' travel.

## 7. Delegate Reports

**NSPS:** George Strother distributed a written report which is filed with the minutes. He noted that the official NSPS Day Reports will be distributed by NSPS to the state society presidents, newsletter editors and executive assistants to ensure chapters receive complete reports.

**WestFed:** Rich Heieren reported recent topics of discussion have been property line agreements, and statute of limitation on survey liability. He distributed a handout on the former topic. Next meeting is January 20 in Reno. Paul Whipple noted that the California association handed out a CD promoting the profession of surveying, available at [www.surveypath.org](http://www.surveypath.org).

**APDC:** Michael Schoder noted that the draft APDC budget shows a substantial dues increase.

*ASPLS delegates were directed to vote No on the draft APDC budget by unanimous declaration.*

Paul Whipple noted that APDC is encouraging design professionals to seek appropriate appointments and positions in the administration. Lobbyist Sam Kito is in touch with the administration and will personally deliver resumes submitted with APDC endorsement.

**AELS Board:** Rich Heieren noted that **the AELS Board unanimously approved removal from Alaska State Regulation (12 AAC 36.111) the reference to NCEES Model Rules regarding the "Practice of Land Surveying."** Its removal should be advertised for Public Notice shortly.

Heieren noted the board wants help from ASPLS in two areas:

1. Have a standing committee to evaluate courses for Professional Development Hours credit;
2. Provide input before February board meeting on document distributed by Cliff Baker, Delineation of Engineering and Surveying.

The latter will be added to the Reference Manual for Building, Planning and Public Safety Officials, which is available on the AELS Board website. Baker noted he would also appreciate input on defining acceptable coursework to sit for the AKLS exam; and both board members expressed serious concern with the Enforcement and the fact that the board is not informed or involved.

## 8. Old Business

**Executive Secretary and Newsletter:** President Gutoski vows to prepare an ASPLS newsletter before the conference and requested all to provide electronic reports as well as any photos of interest.

**BOD Insurance:** Mike Spangler reported contacting board members to fill out the insurance quote request. President Gutoski will sign and submit a request for a quote.

**Title/Site Control Document FAQ Document:** John Kerr distributed the draft document via email prior to meeting.

*ASPLS adopts this informational document for posting on the ASPLS and APDC websites, on a motion/second by Schoder/Whipple.*

## 9. New Business

**Officer Nominations:** Tim Sprout reported that Mike Fretwell and Paul Whipple have been nominated for WestFed Seat A; and Dean Cimmiyotti has been nominated as Treasurer. These candidates will be placed on the ballot.

**ASMC Report:** President Gutoski reported that a postcard notice will be sent early December, registration forms early January. Fees will be the same as last year; membership breakfast will be Wednesday. More tech sessions still needed. Whipple is looking for surveyors to sit on panel with GIS people to discuss vertical datum.

**Membership:** President Gutoski noted that the membership committee has recommended two applicants for Life Membership: George Paulsberg and Jim Sharp.

*George Paulsberg and Jim Sharp were accepted by declaration.*

**NSPS Use of ASPLS Logo on Website:** Vicky Sterling reported a request from NSPS to use our logo on the Affiliates page of NSPS website. Board agrees in concept. Sterling will forward a link to see how the logo would be used, and was asked to investigate Trademark issues.

## **10. Announcements**

**Record Storage:** President Gutoski noted that ASMC has a record storage area rented that we could share. Members were asked to assess what they have that should be in central archives. Sterling was asked to distribute information on document retention requirements.

Next Meeting: The next ASPLS Board Meeting will be in Anchorage February 10 or 17, depending on AELS Board schedule.

## **11. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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Michael Spangler, Secretary ASPLS

These minutes are as approved by the  
ASPLS Board \_\_\_\_\_.