



AFS BioEngineering Section ExCom Meeting Notes

Date Monday, March 2, 2020. 12:30-1 pm ET (9:30-10 am PT)

Meeting: BES ExCom - Post February 2020 Governing Board and Annual Meeting Planning

Location: Conference Call Line - +1 (877) 602-3943 (Passcode 421809)

Subject: Meeting Notes

1. Attendance

- Current BES Officers
 - Dana Postlewait – President (present)
 - Mike Garelo – Past President (present)
 - Dan Giza – President Elect (present)
 - Jessica Pica – Secretary/Treasurer (present)
- BES Committee Representatives
 - Kathy Hoverman – AFS/BES - ASCE/EWRI Joint Committee Chair (present)
 - Randy Beckwith – BES Technology Committee Chair (present)
 - Patrick O'Rouke – BES Resource Policy Committee Chair (present)
 - Gordon Clark – BES Digital Media Chair (present)
 - Jenna Rackovan – Ned Taft Award (present)

2. Call meeting to order:

- Quorum

3. Revisions to Agenda

4. Announcements

5. Treasurer's Report

6. BES Business

7. Conferences/Training Opportunities

- **Governing Board Meeting, Little Rock, AK, 2/23-24/20**
 - AFS climate change issues – Scott Bonar's presidential plan
 - Lots of feedback
 - Scott authorized to send it out
 - Advocacy or no advocacy?
 - Original document with comments or the toned down version?
 - It's moving forward
 - Incoming president Brian Murphy to change name
 - Canadian spinoff since they cannot attend U.S. one
 - Ned Taft Award
 - Dana did ask Doug Austin and Dan Cassidy about donating funds to BES or Ned Taft Award while registering for AFS membership, they thought it would be good idea, not a big deal, Eva would administer, Dana did ping Eva.
 - MOU with ASCE
 - MOU with college societies and others – will get examples from AFS
 - Doug Austin, executive director of AFS, would have to sign MOU
 - Get samples then arrange call
 - AFS Webinars
 - Lauren Maza would appreciate Joint Committee to run webinars through AFS platform
 - How many steps are there to approve webinars? Lauren didn't seem too worried. They hold one a month.
 - Next Joint Committee meeting, see if they're interested
 - Annual Reporting
 - <10% compliance, the platform isn't working
 - Bylaws
 - Randy Schultz, constitutional consultant

- Dana got two more examples
- **AFS 2020 Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. Aug 30 – Sept 3 (AFS 150th Anniversary)**
 - ExCom put together list of conference symposia that membership might be interested to submit abstracts to. Jessica sent email 3/2/20 with list and hyperlinks.
 - Fish nomination: vote during next monthly call 3/13
 - 150th Anniversary AFS Section Exhibit
 - Original priority for call.
 - Ideas:
 - Have a poster or banner
 - Photos of projects
 - Treasure hunt with print outs
 - Jenna volunteer to help not spearhead
 - 3/2/20 membership symposia list email included another call for exhibit volunteers. Marcin Whitman reached out and seemed interested.

8. Next Meeting

- Friday, March 13, 2020 at 12 pm ET / 9 am PT

9. Adjourn