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APWA KC METRO/ACEC KANSAS/ACEC MISSOURI  
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GLADSTONE, MISSOURI

Present were Forrest Erickson, Chuck Williams, Ron Petering, Norm Bowers, Joe Brand, Rick Worrel, Kelly Sunderland, and Scott Heidner.

The committee reviewed and agreed to the agenda.

The minutes of the June 8, 2006 meeting were accepted as presented.

The committee discussed the open position for the major Missouri city. There is still not a candidate for that position. Forrest and Norm agreed that they would call Sherry McIntyre to recruit a candidate for that position.

Worrel reported on the QBS committee. He said the committee is struggling, and suggested revamping the membership of the committee. He said that he and Tim Green would send letters to other members thanking them for their service, and recruit new members. Heidner shared that ACEC Kansas is making a presentation to the Kansas Association of Counties on the proper way to draft an RFP or RFQ, which will include a QBS presentation. Bowers said it's important to get the APWA name on any publications to make sure it's evident that both the public and the private side support QBS.

Bowers reported on the status of publicizing the work of the committee on ensuring quality on municipal projects. The committee work is posted on the APWA website and the ACEC Kansas, and Norm has asked ACEC Missouri to post it as well. Norm is also asking MARC and other interest groups to distribute the information.

Erickson reported on the APWA/ACEC breakfast meeting in July. Erickson said there were 80 to 90 people in attendance, but there were very few ideas for new initiatives shared. Worrel suggested that attendance might be better if the event was over the lunch hour in the future.

Erickson reviewed possible new topics for the committee to address, including a review of a previous priority list. Erickson recommended that there were three or four priority topics that are all related to improved communication and trust, and that grouping them in to one topic may be an option. It was agreed that recognizing excellence in performance, promoting quality through continuous process improvement, enhancing trust between public officials and consultants, and ensuring continuous and effective communication will be combined and a task team will be formed. Kelly and George will co-chair the committee. Norm will try to find somebody from the public side in Kansas and send that name to the co-chairs. Kelly will try to get somebody from Lee's Summit.

The next committee meeting will be held January 4 at 1:30 pm. The meeting will be at the KC, Missouri office of Shafer Kline & Warren.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.