

ACEC KANSAS/APWA KANSAS PARTNERING COMMITTEE
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EMPORIA, KANSAS

The meeting was called to order by Chair Chuck Soules. Present were Soules, Larry Mangan, Brad Johnson, Brian Armstrong, John Bailty, Chris Rops, and Scott Heidner.

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

Heidner gave an update on the presentation that had been made at the LKM conference on QBS. The presentation did not live up to expectations, although hopefully still beneficial. It was agreed that presentations of this nature should continue to be pursued, with both the topic and title of the presentation amended to attract a larger audience.

Discussion was had on the ACEC Kansas City Public Improvement Awards. There was universal disappointment that the awards will no longer be presented at the LKM annual conference. Soules agreed to arrange to send out an e-mail to APWA membership making them aware of the situation.

Heidner updated QBS efforts in specific areas. Wichita and Manhattan are currently reviewing their regulations, with Wichita moving towards QBS and Manhattan considering moving away from it. John Bailey agreed to begin work on a model QBS document that can be used as a resource for city/county officials.

Heidner reported that he had not talked to KU about presenting a QBS class recently. It was agreed that a class that was a joint presentation of QBS, papers prepared by the ACEC KS/KCA committee, and the consultant selection process would be good. Heidner will call the leadership of the ACEC KS/KCA committee to discuss, as well as KU. Rops, Soules, Mangan, and Johnson all agreed to participate in a group to develop a presentation if efforts are successful.

Discussion was had on how best to evaluate proposals and select a consultant, especially on projects where there are multiple qualified consultants. Johnson handed out an evaluation form that Salina uses that has been helpful.

Heidner reported that the QBS Facilitator Grant application will probably come out in December or January, and the plan was still to make an application for Kansas in the next grant cycle.

Soules agreed to get a new APWA member to take his spot on the committee. The next meeting was set for February 10, 2005 at the water treatment plant in Emporia at 10:00 am. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.