



CEAC Board of Directors Meeting

120th Annual Meeting

Friday, November 21, 2014 ~ 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Disneyland Hotel, Adventure Room (Adventure Tower)

1150 West Magic Way

Anaheim, Orange County

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Call to Order (Penrose) Meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m. on November 21, 2014.

Meeting Roster:

Officer	Office	County
Mike Penrose	President	Sacramento
Matt Machado	President Elect	Stanislaus
John Presleigh	Secretary	Santa Cruz
Mike Crump	Treasurer	Butte
Doug Wilson	Parliamentarian	Tulare (Retired)
Mehdi Sadjadi	Treasurer-Emeritus	Marin (Retired)
Ken Miller	Newsletter Editor	San Bernardino (Retired)
Scott McGolpin	Past President	Santa Barbara
Patrick DeChellis	NACE Representative	Los Angeles
Dave Gravenkamp	Historian	Siskiyou (Retired)
Regional Directors	Region	County
Steve Kowalewski	Bay Area	Contra Costa
Scott DeLeon	Northern California	Lake
Panos Kokkas	Sacramento Mother Lode	Yolo
David Leamon	San Joaquin Valley	Stanislaus
John Presleigh	Central Coast	Santa Cruz
Vincent Gin	Southern California	Orange
Committee Chairs	Committee	County
Susan Klassen	Transportation	Sonoma
Pattie McNamee	Fellowship	Contra Costa (Retired)
Chris Stone	Flood Control/Water Resources	Los Angeles
Rick Marshall	Land Use	Napa
Jim Porter	Oversight	San Mateo
Steve Kowalewski	Scholarship	Contra Costa
Pat Proano	Resource Recovery & Waste Mgmt.	Los Angeles
Steven Steinhoff	Surveyor	Los Angeles
CSAC/CEAC Staff	Title	Agency/County
Karen Keene	Senior Legislative Representative	CSAC
Kiana Buss	Legislative Representative	CSAC
Cara Martinson	Legislative Representative	CSAC
Chris Lee	Legislative Analyst	CSAC
Merrin Gerety	CEAC Program Manager	CSAC/CEAC
DeAnn Baker	Director of Legislative Affairs	CSAC

Other Attendees		
Rick Tippett		Trinity
Kevin Onuma		Orange
Julie Bueren		Contra Costa
Phil Jones		Orange
William Brunet		Imperial

All Officers, Regional Directors, Committee Chairs and Staff are listed. Those shown shaded were not in attendance.

2. **Approval of Minutes** – Upon the motion by Mike Penrose, seconded by Doug Wilson, the September 18, 2014, minutes were approved.
3. **Correspondence** – (Penrose)
 - a) none
4. **CLODS Report** – Miscellaneous Updates: Ken Miller reported that they had a great BBQ, and stated his appreciation for the Host County for setting things up at the annual meeting. Ken also reported that they have a new CLODS member – Scott McGolpin. Also, it was requested that the President ask the CLODS to host the Spring Conference. There was an announcement that Richard Welton, Fresno County, suffered a heart attack and has turned the corner (former CEAC President in the 1990’s). Also, it was reported that Mehdi Madjid-Sadjadi (Treasurer Emeritus) was doing better after his surgery and that he made the right decision on not attending the annual meeting. For clarification purposes to all, Ken also announced that the CLODS were officially formed in January 1966.
5. **NACE Report** – Pat DeChellis reported that the annual NACE conference will be in April 2015 at Daytona Beach, with the hotel being on the beach. Pat would like to see a strong turnout for the conference, which will also be jointly held with APWA members. CEAC is expected to host the Snappy Tom (like a mini CLOD’S BBQ and has been hosted by CEAC for many years). Julie Bueren reported that NACE is exploring a structural change in how they want to look at their membership (similar to CEAC’s approach that your organization belongs to CEAC, whereas NACE has individual members).
6. **CSAC Report** - Karen Keene reported that the new CSAC officers were installed the previous night and the new President is Supervisor Vito Chiesa from Stanislaus County. Supervisor Chiesa is interested in working on water and road issues and is expected to be a good leader for CSAC. CSAC Vice President is Supervisor Richard Forster, Amador County; newly elected second Vice President is Supervisor Dave Roberts, San Diego County; Immediate Past President is Supervisor John Gioia, Contra Costa County. CSAC is looking forward to working with this group. The CSAC officers retreat is scheduled in a couple of weeks where they will be discussing 2015 priorities, including Proposition 218 and the federal transportation funding issues. There is a report back in January 2015 to the CSAC Executive Committee and to the Board of Directors in early February 2015. The report back is just in time for the NACO trip in February 2015. Merrin Gerety reported that the CEAC-CSAC contract had a small cost of living increase, and no amendments are expected. New Treasurer Mike Crump reported

that they did not foresee any problems with the contract which was signed in January 2013. The contract automatically renews every year thereafter, unless it is terminated.

7. **Regional Directors Reports**

- Bay Area – Steve Kowalewski had no report.
- Northern California – Scott DeLeon reported that there is a meeting scheduled in December 2014 in Red Bluff. Scott also reported that Rick Tippett from Trinity County held the Second Annual Snow Plow Rodeo in October 2014 (with six counties participating), and it included safety training and competition between crews and their use of snow plows. Trinity County won the competition. The event is moving to Plumas County next year. It was a fun event, and Rick Tippett was able to secure some sponsors for the event. Pictures of the event will be forwarded onto Merrin Gerety.
- Sacramento Mother Lode – Panos Kokkas had no report. The next scheduled meeting for the Sacramento Mother Lode is in January 2015.
- San Joaquin Valley – Matt Machado reported that they met eight times and that they recently gave a presentation on JOC contracts. The new President and Regional Director for the Region is David Leamon. The next meeting is in January 2015 in Kings County.
- Central Coast - John Presleigh reported that there were two resignations of Directors of Public Works at San Benito County and San Luis Obispo. There is an interim Public Works Director in San Benito, and the new Public Works Director for San Luis Obispo will be Mr. Horton (formerly the Deputy Director of the City of San Luis Obispo Utilities Department). A Central Coast meeting was scheduled in early November 2014, but with the resignations and others being out of the area, the meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled early next year.
- Southern California – Vincent Gin reported that they held their regional meeting at the conference with about 35 attendees. There was a meeting held in Riverside during the summer, and San Bernardino is expected to host the next meeting. The regional meeting held at the conference included a discussion by a lobbyist giving the group some Sacramento perspective, as well as ideas on how to engage CSAC better.

8. **Treasurers Report** – Mike Crump reported that there were two items to look at – the Treasurers Report as of November 12th and proposed budget which needs to be adopted today as the 2015 budget. The budget starts on January 1st, and it was reported that there was approximately \$100,000 in necessary expenditures. Mike Penrose reported that there are needed expenditures for the CLODS Golden Anniversary and a lobbying trip to Washington DC (Officer's attendance). Additionally, Mike Penrose requested budget information regarding the Local Streets and Roads Needs Report. Mike Crump reported that invoices to the Counties will be going out in following week and it will include the Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment and a Drainage Study Assessment. Mike Crump also pointed out that there are contingency funds available for some of the unanticipated expenditures. Rick Tippett asked about a \$750 shortfall from Del Norte County, and a follow up discussion occurred about getting the counties to participate in paying their membership dues invoices. Matt Machado pointed out that the scholarship address included the Past Treasurer's address. Mike Crump would update with a new scholarship address. Merrin Gerety requested that the Spring Conference allocation be increased to \$15,000 to cover costs, and a motion was made to include in the budget. Pat DeChellis made a motion to

approve the CEAC budget with an amendment to increase the budget from \$10,000 to \$15,000 to cover costs for the Spring Conference. Upon the motion of Pat DeChellis, seconded by Scott McGolpin. - **Unanimously approved**

- 10. b.** This item was taken out of order of the agenda: 10 b). Scholarship – Steve Kowalewski reported that they received 15 student applications, with three students receiving scholarships of \$2,000 each (Engineering Scholarships: Kiana M. Negoro, California State University Fresno; Elizabeth Jachens, California State University Chico. Survey Scholarship: Marco Castaneda, California State University Fresno). Steve stated that it was great that the Public Works Directors were able to take pictures with the students. Steve also reported that they would try to do more outreach for the Engineer of the Year and Surveyor of the Year awards. It was also reported that the CEAC Scholarship fund is a good charity to donate to.

9. Committee Reports

- a) Flood Control and Water Resources – Karen Keene reported that the committee meeting on the Flood Control and Water Resources was brief. Mitch Avalon gave a report at the meeting on the Storm Water Funding strategy. The contract with Mitch Avalon will be going to Mike Penrose for review and signature. Karen also discussed a recent meeting that was held with the Department of Water Resources and Fish and Wildlife in which Vincent Gin, Chris Stone and Tracy Clay attended with Karen where they independently met with the Deputy Director from the Department of Water Resources and the Deputy Director of Fish and Wildlife. The discussions with Water Resources included issues related to counties dealings with their operation and maintenance on flood control facilities. The discussions with Fish and Wildlife included issues related to the bird nesting policy. Vincent Gin also provided an update to the Flood Control and Water Resources committee regarding the letter that CEAC/CSAC drafted jointly on the Waters of the U.S. policy. A brief report was also provided by the Department of Water Resources regarding their investment strategy and moving forward with the implementation of their recommendations from their Flood Future report. The committee approved the recommended priorities for the 2015/2016 with no changes. Under Flood Control, Karen reported that there were three priorities including supporting legislation that would amend the balance of funding for disaster recovery, supporting legislation that would allow state and federal regulatory agencies to offer service agreements with large volume public entities and utility applicants to fund additional personnel for expeditious permit processing, and lastly the issues of Proposition 218. Karen also reported that the Transportation and the Resource Recovery and Waste Management Committees would have some suggested changes to their priorities and the CEAC Board of Directors would have to give approval of these suggested changes once they are final at a future Board Meeting.
- b) Resource Recovery & Waste Management – Cara Martinson reported that the committee had a good conversation regarding legislation items for next year, and that agencies are seeing funding reductions due to the diversion of recyclable materials and the resulting reduction in tipping fees. It was also discussed that the state was looking at funding issues related to supporting CalRecycle. There were several changes due to the cleanup in priorities and the need to add AB 32 as an item to follow, in addition to AB 341 and AB 1826. Cara also reported that the language needs to be change on the alternative to 939 fees.

- c) Surveyor – Matt Machado reported that there was a good conversation on State Codes 8771 and 8764 regarding the setting of monuments and the need for follow up legislation. Steve Steinhoff will be following up on this proposed legislative clean up language with CLSA on when to set a monument and the durability of a monument.
- d) Land Use – Rick Tippett reported that there was good attendance, and that Karen Keene put together a good ground water basin discussion. Ken Lanning from the San Diego Water Authority provided a good presentation on the new state legislation regarding ground water. There was also a discussion on OPR levels of service. Lastly, there was a discussion on Rule 20A and developing a better working relationship with PG and E, and if necessary a follow up with the PUC. It was announced that Rick Marshall is stepping down from the Chair of the Land Use Committee.
- e) Transportation – Susan Klassen reported that it was a well-attended meeting, and that action was taken on the legislative priorities and policy guidelines, with only a couple of minor changes that Kiana Buss will transmit to the Board. There was a discussion on AB 2471 (change order legislation) and a survey will be done for CEAC members to try and identify obstacles in complying with the legislation. There is one new proposal for school zone safety by Contra Costa County that would expand the area of the school zone by the local agency with a supporting traffic study, as well as a proposed increase in points against your license if a violation occurs in a school zone. The committee voted to move this item forward as a legislative item, and the Board will have to take action on this item. There is some outreach still necessary with the CHP and the CTCDC. There was a report from Caltrans Local Assistance, Erwin Gojuangco, San Diego Region, regarding what is new with Caltrans. There were five of six committee report updates given.
- f) Oversight and Special Tasks – Jim Porter said that you were all here, however, it was mentioned that there were time constraints with the Oversight Committee. Jim stated that the Oversight Committee is taken on a good direction with some of the new items.

10. Other Committee Reports

- a) Fellowship - There was \$225 in the tip jar for scholarships. No other reports.
- b) Scholarship - An update was previously given (after Item 8).
- c) Outside Committees - Mike Crump reported that he will step down from the Bridge Committee and that a new northern county representative will be advertised for. Merrin will work on advertising for this position. Reports taken on remaining committees.

11. Life Membership – A discussion on the points system for Life Membership was discussed. Peter Rei was voted on to receive a Life Membership. Mike Penrose asked for a report back on the notification process for Life Membership. A second candidate for Life Membership will be discussed at the next Board of Directors meeting. The Regional Directors are supposed to be responsible for assessment for Life Membership qualifications.

12. Unfinished Business

- a) Proposed General Services Committee – Mike Penrose reported that these are tied into Oversight.
- b) CEAC Bylaws – Mike Penrose reported that they are forthcoming.
- c) CEAC Affiliate Dues/Invoice – This item was discussed at policy, and a subcommittee has been established to address the dues with the affiliates. The affiliates have requested that

they only write one check to cover everything. There was a general discussion about liability, additional revenue, and the hospitality suite. Scott McGolpin, Panos Kokkas, and Mike Crump will make up the subcommittee to work on this item. There was a general discussion on what to do with the hospitality suite for the Spring Conference and how the hotels are requiring changes to program (the hotel will require the alcohol to be bought from them and that they will provide the bartender). Mike Penrose requested a report back from the subcommittee on the hospitality suite prior to the Spring Conference. Pat DeChellis requested additional information from the affiliates and how they will be involved.

- d) Institutionalizing Communications in CEAC – The two items below were previously discussed at the Oversight Committee.
1. Communications ad hoc committee and 2. Communications element at conferences

13. New Business

- a) Washington DC trip for MAP 21 Reauthorization – Mike Penrose requested that the Board of Directors support the Washington DC trip to lobby for Map 21, and requested a recommendation for those that will attend. Doug Wilson suggested that the trip not be scheduled at the same time as the NACO legislative conference. Pat DeChellis started a general discussion about who should attend, including those that have good contacts with legislative or committee members. The timing of the meeting is also critically important. The Board of Directors approved a trip to Washington DC for purposes of lobbying for Map 21.

14. Scheduled Conferences –

- a) CEAC Spring Conference/League PWOI, Newport Beach, Orange County, March 25-27, 2015
- b) NACE Annual Conference, Daytona Beach, Florida, April 19-23, 2015
- c) CEAC 10th Policy Conference, Sacramento, Sacramento County, September 16-17, 2015
- d) CSAC 121st Annual Meeting, Monterey, Monterey County, December 1-4, 2015

Pat DeChellis requested that the PWSS (Secretary Conference) to be added to the agenda schedule. The next PWSS is scheduled for May 27, 2015, and is being held jointly by Mendocino/Lake County. The next PWSS is the 30th annual meeting, and it was requested that the President make a presentation at the conference. Arizona engineers may be coming to the Spring Conference in Newport and that we will be treating them as a member/affiliated agency and offering them the member rate. The remaining conferences for 2015 were discussed with dates.

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- a) March 27, 2015 (Spring Conference)
- b) September 17, 2014, TBD (Policy Conference)
- c) December 4, 2015, 11:00 a.m. (Annual Meeting)

Mike Penrose adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.
Minutes prepared by John Presleigh, CEAC Secretary.

