



## Northeast Chapter Fall Meeting

At Ramada Hotel & Conference Center, Getzville, NY (near Buffalo)

Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011

The meeting began at 9:15 AM. All in the room introduced themselves. The minutes from the August 2011 meeting were approved unanimously. Attendance list is available upon request.

### Treasurer's Report

Steve Hinternder reported the chapter has filed paid their taxes as well as all expense to ADSC National. There are currently 16 paid contractor and 30 paid associates on the roster. The chapter has approximately \$50,054 in the account. Anyone interested in detailed financial information should contact Steve at [steve@schnabel.com](mailto:steve@schnabel.com).

- A vote for a prepayment of the Scholarship fund of \$3,700 was unanimously approved
- 2012 NE Chapter Golf new profit is estimated at \$5,000-\$6,000 and will be coordinated by Dan Wojick of Watson, Inc.
- Invoices for NE Chapter 2012 membership dues will go out on January 1<sup>st</sup>
- 2012 Drilled Shaft seminar budget is estimated at \$15,000

### National Report

Tony Marinucci reported on important ADSC National news and events. Important issues & dates were discussed were:

- 2012 ADSC Expo, located in San Antonio, TX, March 14-17
  - A portion of the technical sessions will be broadcast via the web in a virtual expo format for the FHWA. This is being done in an effort to bring the conference to the DOT's. Based on the response, the 2015 Expo may be broadcasted 100% live to all DOT's.
- ADSC Membership Directory for 2012 is complete and is scheduled to mail in January.
- ADSC is participating in a research grant from the FHWA on post grouting. Tom Armour of DBM Contractors and Tony Marinucci of ADSC will be heading up the field operations. The research panel is currently investigating a multitude of different sights to conduct the top down testing.
- Four new chapters will be created by ADSC:
  - Carolina's Chapter
  - Eastern Canada Chapter

- Western Canada Chapter
- Central America Chapter
- Construction Specifications
  - A draft for the secant & tangent pile wall manual is being distributed by ADSC National for review and comment.
  - ADSC National will begin to research and revise the current slurry specification planned for March 2012, upon request from DOT's for a standard specification.
  - ADSC National is considering a remediation/mitigation study to reduce questions due to common problems experienced by drilled shaft contactors.
    - Broken tremie lines
    - CSL tube de-bonding
    - Tremie line is pulled from concrete during pour
- IAF voted not to sponsor an undergraduate scholarship at the chapter level
  - NE Chapter consensus is to have another meeting with IAF to see if they will reconsider

### **Committee Reports**

- **Strategic Planning Report: Jim Asmus**
  - The strategic planning committee will to send out their plan to target university students to all chapter members for comments and feedback. The committee plans on reviewing and updating this document annually.
- **Micropile Report: Denis Ambio**
  - Buy America clause from the August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting was discussed
    - A "Buy America" survey was taken with 70 respondents. The goal was to get a feel for how much steel is being used in order to approach a steel manufacturer in the US and develop a new standard. This would mean the end product would be less expensive than prime but still classified unlike mill secondary.
- **Education: John Roma (proxies: Tony Marinucci, Jesse Ottesen & Martin McDermott)**
  - DROS will be held in Golden, Colorado this year in an active quarry. Mike Waldren from Anderson Drilling has volunteered to head up the operation.
  - FHWA is offering 35 to 40 available slots in NHI courses. IAF can fund ½ the cost and Northeast Chapter must pick up the other ½.
    - Open action item is whether to offer all slots to DOTs or ½ to DOT and ½ to Construction Owners, Engineers, interested parties and charge a fee for those interested.(except DOTs)
  - 2013 Drilled Shaft seminar will be held in Rhode Island in November and coordinated by John Roma of Weeks Marine.
- **Membership: Steve Hinterneder**
  - There are currently 16 paid contractor and 30 paid associates on the roster.
- **Safety: Greg Lewis**
  - 2 publications have recently been completed
    - The Fall Protection Manual

- Drill Rig Operators Manual
- The proposed safe installation of drilled shafts in relation to down-hole entry was discussed. If the ADSC wants ANSI's endorsement we will lose control of the document. For the release has been pushed back approximately 6 months.
- Mike Yarnell of OSHA Region II in NJ is retiring so the NJ alliance may be set back to square one.
- Reminder that we had two recent tragedies as a result of drill rigs tipping over.

#### **Lunch 12:00-1:00**

#### **Election of New Board Members**

Wes Gibson of CETCO was nominated to the position of Secretary of the Northeast Chapter. Jesse Ottesen of Weeks Marine and Joseph Sheehan of Posillico were re-elected to the board. New board member is Denis Ambio of Con-Tech Systems, Ltd. After the meeting, the board members re-affirmed current officers. They are:

- Jesse Ottesen (Weeks marine) – President
- Joseph Sheehan (Posillico) - Vice President
- Steve Hinternerder (Schnabel Foundation Co.) – Treasurer
- Wesley Gibson (CETCO) – Secretary

#### **2012 Meeting Schedule**

- Wednesday, February 1st - Providence, RI
- Wednesday, May 16th - Albany, NY
- Friday, August 17th - Golf Outing/Summer Meeting (Golf Coordinated by Dan Wojick of Watson, Inc.) Location TBD at the February 1st meeting
- Wednesday, November 7th - Location TBD

#### **Special Thanks**

Special thanks goes out to Andy Peterson of Peterson Geotech and Caroline Robinson of Weeks Marine for their project presentations, as well as all who were able to attend.

Respectfully Submitted,



Wesley Gibson

ADSC NE Chapter Secretary