



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings:

We trust that you all have had a safe and enjoyable summer thus far. We will be starting our fall series of meetings in September and are looking forward to seeing many of you over the coming months.

For the upcoming fall and spring, your local New Mexico section board members are:

- Ryan Bettinger – President
- VP-Programs - Michael Ebbers
- VP-Treasurer-Timothy Cynova
- VP-Secretary- Elbert (Al) Milton
- VP-Communications & Web Site Admin - Kasey Gray
- One Year Director - Dave Jansen
- Two Year Director - Dennis Inman

The board members met in August to assemble an initial schedule of topics and meetings for the fall. Please see the preliminary meeting schedule included in this newsletter for more detail. If any members are interested in presenting, or know of anyone who is interested in speaking, we are always happy to accommodate. Contact myself or Mike Ebbers (mike.ebbers@smsi.us) for more details.

Below are our tentative meetings and topics for the fall:

- 15 Sep 2017: Worker's Compensation for Construction Projects
- Mid-October: Meeting with UNM Engineering Students at UNM Campus
- Mid-November: Overview of the Air Force's Rocket Systems Launch Program
- Mid-December: Holiday Gathering and Spring Planning Meeting

Unless told otherwise, these meetings will be held at the Copper Canyon Café located at 5455 Gibson Blvd SE, Albuquerque, NM.

We are proud to announce that the Andy Padilla Memorial Top Cat Scholarship was awarded to

Mr. Alexander Colburn in the amount of \$1,000 in August. The scholarship is funded in Andy's memory to a candidate involved in the project controls field, so congratulations to Alex!

Due to popular demand, the Region 5 Symposium is back at The Woodlands, Texas. For more information please see our local section website (www.aacei-nm.org) that includes a link to the event. The symposium will include technical presentations from a variety of industry sectors and is a great networking opportunity.

Lastly, don't forget to visit our local chapter's website (www.aacei-nm.org) for meeting times and locations, general section information/background and local section news. See you Friday September 15th for our first fall meeting, thank you.

Ryan Bettinger, CCP

***Kasey Gray on behalf of Ryan Bettinger
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CERTIFICATIONS/EDUCATION BOARD:

If you are also considering examination and registration, please begin your application process and completion of the necessary requirements. If you work in any type of cost and schedule disciplines on a part-time or continuous basis you should seriously consider becoming certified in your area of expertise. Certification validates your professional background and your commitment to providing services within your area of expertise.

Check the AAACEI.org website under certifications for the necessary requirements for certification. The AAACEI is computer based testing. R. Bettinger is our most recent member who qualified as a CCP.

The current listing of certifications includes:



- Certified Cost Professional (CCP)
- Certified Cost Consultant (CCC)
- Certified Cost Technician (CCT)
- Certified Estimating Professionals (CEP)
- Certified Forensic Claims Consultant (CFCC)
- Earned Value Professional (EVP)
- Planning & Scheduling Profession (PSP)
- Certified Scheduling Technician (CST)
- Decision and Risk Management Certification (DRMC) – currently under BETA testing

Please note that our local section has workbooks that are available to you for reference and use as a study guide in the pursuit of certification. Contact Mike Ebbers for use of the books.

Other materials provide by the AAACEI Education Board includes:

- Seminar in a Box
- On-Line Learning Center
- S&K 6th Edition
- Study Guides
 - Decision and Risk Management
 - Cost Estimating
 - Scheduling Primer
 - Estimating Primer

SCHOLARSHIPS:

We now have one remaining scholarship available. This is the book scholarship. It is an NM AAACEI Section ongoing campaign to give a book scholarship to an in-state post-secondary student in the construction and engineering disciplines. If you know of a student who is eligible, please let them know of the scholarship. Contact Tim Cynova for information or see our Sections website www.aacei-nm.org for additional details.

Per discussion with advisors at UNM, it was noted that there are more scholarships than applicants for the scholarships. If your niece, nephew, son, granddaughter is enrolled at UNM, it might be worthwhile to set up a date

and go see what scholarships are available.

September LUNCH MEETING:

Date: Friday, September 15th, 11:40 AM -1:00 PM

Location: **Copper Canyon Cafe**
5455 Gibson Blvd, SE
Albuquerque, NM 87108

Presenter (s):

Topic: Worker's Compensation

October LUNCH MEETING:

Date: Mid-October

Location: **UNM Campus**

Presenter (s):

Topic: Meeting with UNM Engineering Students

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JOB LISTINGS:

** SEE Career Column at AACEI website!!!

NEW MEXICO SECTION WEBSITE:

If you haven't already, please visit the New Mexico Section Website <http://www.aacei-nm.org/>

Any suggestions on additions to the NM Section Website would be appreciated!

AACEI Events:

Certification:

For those of you seeking to be certified in one of the many AACE certification categories, please Remember that the certification exams are held as scheduled – see the web site at www.aacei.org for schedules and the online book store.

Please register for the exam as early as you can so that you do not run out of time between preparing for the exam and writing your technical paper.

Our New Mexico section has guidance books, which you can borrow, as you prepare for the CCP and CCC exam. Remember also that a technical paper will need to be submitted prior to the exam.

Please see the listing of specific certification categories on the AACE website. Also note the specific requirements for the exam and the technical paper on the website and give AACE headquarters a call (800-858-COST) with any questions you may have.

Members Corner:

Got comments, suggestions or want to provide informational articles for future Newsletter editions???

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