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September 1, 2009

Reply to: Charles F. Dunlap, L.S.
1st Vice President, Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.
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Mr. Timothy S. Nash, L.S.
President, Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.
c/o Ms. Judy Hite, Executive Secretary
8752 Landmark Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Re: **1st Vice President's/Convention Committee Report**

This serves to summarize the activities of the 1st Vice President since the Spring Board of Directors meeting held June 28, 2009 in Williamsburg; and, it is provided for the Fall Board of Directors meeting scheduled for September 19, 2009 in Fredericksburg, VA.

Since the Summer board meeting, I have attended the Mt. Vernon Chapter board meeting, Bull Run Chapter general membership meeting on August 18 in Leesburg, participated in the Tidewater Chapter golf outing on July 15 in Suffolk, and attended the Shenandoah Chapter meeting on July 1, in Winchester. At each of the Chapter functions I have attended, I have made a concerted effort to encourage VAS members to attend the 2010 annual meeting.

As has been for most of the year, my primary effort has been focused with the Convention Committee on the planning of the upcoming 2010 annual meeting. The Convention Committee met again in Richmond on August 5 to go over the draft budget and focus on some hard decisions regarding the program and the budget. At this meeting, the Committee decided to eliminate the exam review and the Thursday technical session to save costs, essentially condensing the annual meeting to two full days, beginning with the Board of Directors meeting on Thursday afternoon, and concluding after the awards luncheon on Saturday afternoon. The decision to reduce program was made in response to the current economic conditions and the bottom line cost of the actually putting on the convention. No band, DJ, speaker, etc. is proposed for the annual banquet, with the program reduced to the dinner, the installation of officers, those awards that are usually presented at that time and a time for fellowship with one another. A follow-up meeting was held with the hotel on August 13 to clarify several contract items, which

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resulted in some adjustments to the draft budget; and, as a result of the meeting with the hotel, a link has been provided on the VAS website for making hotel reservations. Nonetheless, there are still significant concerns about the cost of the annual meeting.

Subsequently to these efforts and at the direction of the Past Presidents Council meeting held the week of August 24, additional discussions were initiated through emails with the Committee on various options regarding the annual meeting, driven by the costs and the expected low attendance. First, I have begun discussions with the hotel in an attempt to renegotiate the contract, with the primary goal of locking in the lowest rates for exhibit hall and meeting room and to eliminate the separate service charges for group meetings containing less than 50 people. As of the date of this report, these negotiations are ongoing; and, no agreement has been reached. At the same time, we are investigating the cost of cancelling the annual meeting, an option that has been discussed with the hotel. In the event that VAS makes the decision to cancel the event, then work will begin on scheduling an alternative one-day meeting in a central location, likely consisting of the winter Board meeting in the morning, a possible awards luncheon, followed by the annual meeting.

Attached to this report are summaries of the cost to cancel the contract with the hotel, the draft budget dated August 14 based on expected room occupancy of 70% of the guaranteed number of room nights and a proposed alternative budget assuming that the hotel will agree to the renegotiated contract terms.

I appreciate the opportunity to be of service. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need additional information.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles F. Dunlap, L.S.
1st Vice President

Enc.

Cc: Will Nash, VAS Secretary/Treasurer (email)
Judy Hite, VAS Executive Secretary (email)

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CENTRAL OFFICE REPORT

September 19, 2009

Judy S. Hite

This quarter has been very busy. I have been helping the Convention Committee most of the time but doing other things as well. We had the John Foster School in July and also several meetings here in the Central Office.

I hope by now all of you have received the July/August issue of The Old Dominion Surveyor. There seemed to be a lot of vacations in July which made it very hard to get this issue done. Look for convention information in these last two issues for this year. It will also be posted on the web site.

A reminder to all of the candidates on the Slate of Officers for 2010, the Old Dominion Surveyor will need either a new or updated bio with a photo to go in the November issue. The deadline for this issue is October 1.

We are constantly trying to keep our web site up-to-date. We want to make it a useful tool for our members to receive information about the activities of the association. It is very important for you to keep me informed if you change your email address. At the present time we are using blast emails to the membership on our board meetings and seminars. In addition we are thinking about putting our convention information on there as well. It will certainly cut down on the cost of postage. I will be mailing out the information for those of you who do not use email.

The following applications were mailed in the board package and they need to be voted on by the board today.

Regular Members:

1. Joseph W. Bronder
2. Lindsey Griffin
3. Bruce C. Jenkins
4. Austin Phillips

Associate Member

1. William Orsinger

In addition to the above applications, you also need to vote on these.

Regular Members:

- Norman Cox
1. Sterlin L. Headley
 2. Philip H. Mundy

There are approximately 100 members that are still outstanding for 2009 dues. Please send in your payments as soon as possible. We need the funds to be able to meet our obligations.

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

MOTION FORM

MOTION: _____

I MOTION THAT FUTURE CONVENTIONS
BE PLANNED SO THAT ^{REALISTIC} PROJECTED
REVENUES ^{GREATER} ~~EXPENSES~~ ARE ~~LESS~~ THAN EXPECTED
~~EXPENSES~~
~~REVENUES~~

MOTION MADE BY: Doug Beaumont (Past Presidents Council)

SECONDED BY: n/a

ACTION ^{Not} Passed ~~2-9-9~~

DATE: 19 Sept 09

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

MOTION FORM

MOTION: MOVE THAT THE BOD DIRECT THE
CONVENTION COMMITTEE TO PRESENT TO THE
BOD ~~AND BOD~~ ^{NLT the Annual meeting proceedings} ~~AT THE SPRING BOD MEETING~~
EACH YEAR A PROJECTED BUDGET FOR THE
UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING THAT ^{REFLECTS} ~~MAKES~~ A
REASONABLE EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A ~~BALANCE~~ ^{BALANCED}
~~BUDGET~~ BETWEEN INCOME AND EXPENSES BASED
ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE. ~~IT~~

That for which said proposal is made

MOTION MADE BY: CHUCK DUNLAP
SECONDED BY: PETE MOORE
ACTION: PASSED
DATE: 19 Sept 09

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS
2010 OPERATING BUDGET

400 Dues		2010-B
401	Regular Members	530 Members @ \$171
402	Associate Members	38 Members @ \$35
403	Retired Members	32 Members @ \$10
404	Student Members	22 Members @ \$5
405	Affiliate Dues	\$1,320.00
		\$93,710.00
Total 400	Dues	\$93,710.00
407	Directory Ads	\$500.00
410	Miscellaneous Income	\$3,000.00
412	Interest Income (General Fund)	\$150.00
420	Legislative Committee Income (\$14 of Dues)	530 Members @ \$14
424	Convention Income	\$40,000.00
426	Interest Income CD (VAS SOP)	-
428	Interest Income CD (VAS CR)	-
429	Newsletter Ads	\$3,390.00
438	Initiation Fees	\$225.00
Total Additional Income		\$54,685.00
Total Revenues for 2010		\$148,395.00

EXPENSES		
806	ACSM/NSPS Govenors Expense	Reduce 25% \$2,100.00
820	Convention Expenses	
820.01	Hotel Expense	\$35,325.00
820.02	Band	\$0.00
820.03	Registration Expense	\$1,700.00
820.04	Awards	\$250.00
820.05	Spouse Program	\$500.00
820.07	Exhibitor Expense	\$2,750.00
820.08	Seminar Expense	\$1,500.00
820.09	Miscellaneous Expense	\$8,550.00

Total Convention Expenses for 2010		\$50,575.00
825	Directors Meeting	Reduce 25% \$1,500.00
826	Directory Expense	Reduce 100% \$0.00
827	Contribution Expense	Reduce 100% \$0.00
830	Executive Secretary's Expenses	\$600.00
831	Interest Expense	\$50.00
833	Fire & Bond Insurance	\$560.00
834	General Liability Insurance	\$350.00
835	Workmans Comp Insurance	\$250.00
836	Officer & Directors Liability Insurance	\$2,400.00
842	Legislative Committee Expense	\$7,420.00
843	Equipment Repairs & Purchases	\$200.00
844	Equipment Rental	\$4,100.00
845	Miscellaneous & Bank Service Charges	\$1,000.00
847	Office Expense	\$3,000.00
849	Credit Card Fees	\$1,400.00
852	Newsletter Expense	Reduce 50% \$5,000.00
853	Postage	\$5,000.00
854	President;s Expense	Reduce 25% \$3,000.00
855	Professional Services	Reduce 33% \$2,000.00
859	Rent	\$14,400.00
863	Salaries	\$34,200.00
866	Standards of Practice Expense	\$1,000.00
869	Payroll Expenses	\$2,500.00
871	Personal Property Tax	\$350.00
875	Telephone	\$1,900.00
880	Trig-Star	\$1,000.00
881	Web Page	\$2,500.00

Total Expenses for 2010 **\$148,355.00**

Profit for Year **\$ 40.00**

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

MOTION FORM

MOTION: THAT THE BOTD AUTHORIZE
THE MOUNT VERNON CHAPTER TO
REFORMAT THE "LAND SURVEYORS
A CAREER WITHOUT BOUNDARIES"
PRESENTATION.

MOTION MADE BY: STEVE DOUTY

SECONDED BY: DOUG RICHMOND

ACTION: PASSED UNANIMOUS

DATE: 19 SEPT 09



**VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS,
INC.
APPALACHIAN CHAPTER**

September 09, 2009

Report of the Appalachian Chapter, VAS
Fall Board Meeting

Our chapter has held one meeting since the previous VAS Board of Directors meeting. Our meeting was held Tuesday July 21, 2009 at the Tuck Mapping Solutions, Inc. office in Big Stone Gap, Virginia.

There were six members and two guests in attendance.

The following items were discussed:

Meeting dates and sites to the end of the year:

We have tried unsuccessfully in previous years to have some type of event in September. The feelings of the attendees were as no more than attended a meeting it wasn't worth the effort to try to have a picnic.

The Chapter will be having its annual end of year Christmas Dinner @ Culinary School, Bristol December 8. All are welcome that can attend.

Topics addressed at the meeting:

Continuing Education: As it is now law the Chapter members in attendance discussed the idea of having one or two hours of continuing education at each meeting or having one meeting on a Saturday and having eight hours of continuing education. This is all in an effort to boost attendance at the Chapter.

meetings primarily and to give the members a voice in what they would like to review. One question is what will be acceptable to the board upon review?

The Chapter has the task of updating the chapter "Plats" for the VAS manual. Tony Holbrook has taken over the primary responsibility of getting the chapter laid out in bullets to be assisted by the Chapter members. This was again discussed and the need for example plats was raised.

The need for a calibration baseline was raised and what would be required to get it completed. VDOT has in the past been supportive of these efforts but due to the economic climate the Chapter may be interested in proceeding sooner than state funds permit.

Ken Sorrels addressed the previous TRIG*STAR competition. The Chapter participation was down to five schools and twenty students compared to the eleven schools last year. The Chapter members participating agreed the contest was not going to be successful in April as in previous years due to competition with proms, SOL testing, and college boards. It is planned to move the contest into March and try to get the program back into those schools that dropped out this year plus additional schools that have shown an interest in participating.

At the end of the meeting, Ken Sorrels and Matt Doty gave a presentation on photogrammetry and LiDAR to those members in attendance. The course lasted two hours and gave some insight into both fields that would be of value to surveyors planning future projects.

Respectfully submitted,



Tony F. Holbrook
Appalachian Chapter President

Bull Run Chapter
Chapter Report
September 2009

The Bull Run Chapter held their August 18th General Membership Meeting at The Dock Restaurant in Leesburg, Virginia. There were 3 officers and 10 regular members in attendance.

A presentation was made by Larry Stipek, Director of the Loudoun County Mapping and Geographic Information Department. This included a history of the department, archived maps, and many other numerous points of interest. The presentation was very informative.

A poll was taken by those in attendance of their expected attendance at the convention this year. Only 3 people indicated that they would be attending and there was no indication of people staying at the hotel.

The chapter is continuing to work on sales of the raffle tickets for the wine basket which will be donated to the educational supplement fund at the end of the year.

The next meeting date and location is to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,
Saundra D. O'Connell, L.S.
VAS Bull Run Chapter President



Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.

AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING
and
NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

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VAS Central Chapter Report:

2009 Officers:

David Gardy	President
Stephen Letchford	Vice President
Alison Hanson	Secretary-Treasurer
John Aaron	4-Year Director
Andy Bowles	4-Year Director
Keith Shrader	2-Year Director
Greg McGlothlin	2-Year Director

September 18, 2009

V.A.S. Fall Board of Directors Meeting
The Wingate Inn
20 Sanford Drive, Fredericksburg, Va. 22406

Members of the Board:

The VAS Central Chapter held a General Membership Meeting on July 15th, 2009 at Legends in Richmond. The event was well attended, with approximately 20 members and guests present. The meeting included the announcement of our 2009 Trig Star winners, and other points of general discussion.

The remaining 2009 meeting schedule for the Central Chapter is as follows:

September 25th - Picnic and Crab Feast – Sponsorship will be provided by Loyola.
November 18th – General Membership Meeting – Location TBD - Guest Speaker – CE Program
December 11th - Christmas Party – Location will be the Capitol Ale House, Midlothian Location

Alison Hanson provided a Treasurer's Report, indicating that the Central Chapter has a current balance of \$2541.01. Reports were given by Officers and Standing Committee Chairman including:

- Trig Star – Awards Announced
- Education – Chip Richardson reported on the John Foster School and Continuing Education
- Fall 2009 BOD – Information was provided regarding the Sept. 18/19 program – Rappahannock Chapter will be hosting the event.
- Summer Picnic – Sponsorship to be provided by Loyola
- Student Field Day 2009 – Steve Letchford to Coordinate (anticipated in October)
- Annual Christmas Party – To be held at Capitol Ale House, Midlothian Location

As an item of new business, a copy of a letter from the State Attorney General's Office addressing requirements by certain localities Clerk's Offices, requiring pre-approval of boundary survey plats prior to recordation was discussed. The letter is in response to an inquiry by the Monticello Chapter and their local State Delegate.

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Gardy, LS
President, V.A.S. Central Chapter

be locally accessed because of varying intensities on the original make it such that a single scan can't capture all the information on the document. Often with VDOT plans we take a bracketed approach when scanning the document. We scan the VDOT documents with light, medium, and dark settings to insure that we have all the necessary information in a legible and usable format. The limitation of information available online is that the document is subjected to whatever setting was used when the scanning was performed.

We understand that Richmond will be the closest access to the records which have been locally available in the Plan Room. Only having access to the plans in the Richmond office will cause delays in producing surveys where time constraints matter. Trips to the Richmond office will cost wasted time, personnel hours and fuel for many Land Surveyors. These factors all add up to delays in a Land Surveyor trying to get a project completed on time and within budget. During a down economy, public and private sector clients are even more demanding that projects be turned around quicker and less expensively. All of the aforementioned factors add up to a far greater concern for surveyors than you might have known.

Thank you for taking the time to address our concerns with having access to this VDOT information locally. Please advise us as to what we can do to work through this issue during this state budget constraint. We look forward to sharing with the local Land Surveyors on how we can all best work through this consequence of the current budget crisis.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Cronin, IV, L.S.
President
Virginia Association of Surveyors, Mount Vernon Chapter



Mount Vernon Chapter
Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.
AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING

August 27, 2009

Morteza Salehi, Northern Virginia District Administrator
Virginia Department of Transportation
14685 Avion Parkway
Chantilly, VA 20151

Subject: Closing Northern Virginia office record room

Dear Mr. Salehi:

I am writing you on behalf of the Virginia Association of Surveyors, Mount Vernon Chapter, about our concerns with the closing of the VDOT Northern Virginia office Plan Room

The negative impact of these resources no longer being available locally to Land Surveyors is tremendous. We are asking that a provision be made to allow continued local access to the plans whether by a VDOT staffer or by a customer self serve method which has been used in the past.

Although local Land Surveyors do have access to the state highway plat books recorded among the Land Records in the various Northern Virginia jurisdictions, they depend on access to the full sets of VDOT construction plans available at the local office. The ability to access these full sets of plans is necessary to supplement the information found in the State Highway Plat Books. The information in State Highway Plat Books pertains to single lots only, and is often not sufficient enough to set up proper survey geometry. In the interest of making proper determinations about boundaries between VDOT right-of-way and private property, local VDOT information must be provided. It is important we have access to the local Plan Room so we are obtaining the sheets that contain the information we need. Land Surveyors need to review the Plan set to determine what sheets are needed.

While we understand some of the recordings are currently being formatted to be available on line, we are concerned that these documents will not accurately represent the same document that is available at the local Plan Room. We are currently seeing instances (Fairfax County C-PAN, for example), where the original document must still

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Mount Vernon Chapter
Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.
AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING

Mount Vernon Chapter
Chapter Report
September 1, 2009

The Mount Vernon Chapter Board of Directors has met once since my last report on June 12, 2009.

The Board met on July 29 at BC Consultants office in Fair Lakes, VA.

A brief summary of the Board's activities is as follows:

- Committee reports followed with discussion.
- Discussion on continuing education requirements, reviewed letter to MVC Board from Richard Spencer requesting the board to consider offering continuing education courses at our general membership meetings. MVC board agreed this is a great opportunity to help chapter members. For our next general membership meeting Vickie McEntire will teach a 2-hr course on Water Boundaries; a case study in riparian rights. Cost was set at \$30.00 for VAS Members and \$40.00 for non-members.
- Brief discussion on the July 27 State Board Meeting in Williamsburg, VA.
- Chuck Dunlap is attending ESRC monthly meetings and keeping the membership updated.
- On August 27 MVC sent a letter to Morteza Salehi VDOT Northern Virginia District Administrator voicing concerns about the closing of the district plan room. "Copy of Letter Attached"

The next MVC Board meeting is scheduled for September 16 at the Fairfax County Surveyors Office.

The next general membership meeting is scheduled for September 23 at P.J. Skidoo's in Fairfax Virginia.

Respectfully submitted,

Mount Vernon Chapter.

Richard J. Cronin IV
President

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

Affiliate of American Congress on Surveying and Mapping
RAPPAHANNOCK CHAPTER

Fall Board Report-

A general membership meeting was held on July 16, 2009, the following items were discussed:

Summer Board meeting highlights:

Membership dues are increasing next year from \$169.00 to \$185.00.

NSPS Exclusive Insurance Program -If you are a member of NSPS, here's a link to their program: <http://www.nspsmo.org/insurance.shtml>

VAS members make a request once a year for assistance with the fees for VAS seminars.

Chip Dicks has been released as our lobbyist in the General Assembly. Money used for this line item will be banked up in case an issue arises.

Continuing Education:

http://www.dpor.virginia.gov/dporweb/ape_reg.pdf Page 67

1. Individuals whose licenses expire or who apply to reinstate after March 31, 2010, shall be required to comply.
2. At least 16 hours are required and must be completed prior to the expiration date of the license.
3. Content must be related to the practice of the profession: business practices, project management, risk management, and ethics.
4. 50 contact minutes=1 CEU hour
5. 1 semester hour of college credit = 15 CEU's
6. No carry over credit can be used.
7. Individuals will maintain records for 3 years from date of expiration of license.
8. Cannot take same class within 2 year period.
9. If you are being reinstated, you must meet the requirements and provide the evidence.

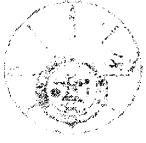
Fall Board Meeting/Crab Feast

Hotel, Friday diner, and Golf have been setup.

Crab Feast-Saturday September 19th 2009

Curtis Park Shelter 2 has been reserved. ABC license will be ordered August 1.

The Board of Directors coordinated by email for the fall board meeting and planning the Crab Feast during the month of August..



Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc.

AFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING

Shenandoah Chapter

A meeting of the Shenandoah Chapter was held on July 1, 2009 at Jimmy's Steak & Seafood Grill at Winchester, Virginia. The following were in attendance at this meeting: Stuart Dunn, Dennis Fenton, Duane Brown, Bruce Edens, Jason Bly, Ben Brashears, Jon Gilmore and Elliott Ritchie, Andrew Martin, David Lellock, Jeff Snyder, Malcolm McKenzie, Mike Artz, Kirk Norton, Carl Rinker, Charles Dunlap and his wife Nancy Dunlap. Guest speaker, Mike Shepp, P.L.S., was also in attendance.

Stuart Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Dennis Fenton, Secretary/Treasurer, reported a balance of \$673.75 in the chapter's checking account in First Bank.

Stuart Dunn reported that the fall state board meeting would be held on September 18th and 19th in Fredericksburg.

Charles Dunlap reported that the next State VAS convention would be held in Alexandria, VA, on January 18th through the 23rd, 2010. Mr Dunlap also reported that mandatory Continuing Education Units were now in effect, and that the State VAS had seen an increase in membership.

Stuart Dunn reported that he had attended the summer State Board of the VAS meeting.

Guest speaker Mike Shepp gave an informative talk about the history of the Continuing Education requirements in West Virginia, and some of the trials and tribulations of getting that system in place and operational. Mr. Shepp also reported that the State of West Virginia had acquired 35 GPS receivers with the intent to set up a network that would have free access for surveyors.

Stuart Dunn adjourned the meeting at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Fenton, Secretary.

Virginia Association of Surveyors Shenandoah Chapter

The Shenandoah Chapter of the Virginia Association of Surveyors held its summer meeting at Jimmy's Steak & Seafood Grill at the Quality Inn in Winchester, Virginia, on July 1, 2009. This was the second chapter meeting this year.

There were sixteen surveyors and/or surveyors-in-training from the Shenandoah area in attendance. Our guest speaker was Michael Shepp, a land surveyor from Charles Town, in Jefferson County West Virginia. Additionally in attendance were Chuck Dunlap, 1st vice-president of the VAS and his wife Nancy.

Chuck Dunlap gave a brief dissertation on the summer state board meeting held in Williamsburg. Additionally he called for a strong chapter participation in the 2010 convention to be held in Northern Virginia.

Following dinner our guest speaker, Mike Shepp, gave a brief presentation. Mike is a member of the WV Society of Professional Surveyors. He is also a past-president of the Panhandle Chapter. He spoke about continuing education in WV. He also spoke about issues facing the surveying profession in the panhandle area.

The next Chapter meeting will be held on Wednesday September 30, 2009, at Jimmy's Steak & Seafood Grill.

The minutes of our meeting are included with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Stuart Dunn
President



VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS
SOUTHERN CHAPTER
Presidents Report
8/31/2009

Chapter Report

The Southern Chapter held its regularly scheduled meeting on August 6, 2009 at Charley's Waterfront Restaurant in Farmville, Va.

The Chapter hosted the Trey Ellington the Trigstar Winner and his family at the meeting. Trey was presented with a \$100 dollar check and a plaque from the chapter and a \$125 check and a certificated from the VAS on the state level.

After Dinner we discussed the letter from the Attorney General in regards to Boundary & Physical Improvement Surveys. There are a few planning offices and one county attorney that believe that the opinion of the Attorney General is wrong and they will continue to review the plats as called for in there Zoning and Subdivision ordinance. For most of the counties the clerk would like the planners to sign off on the plat to make sure it isn't a Subdivision and will not hold up the process in reviewing the plat in detail.

The Chapter would still like the President of the Chapter to forward the letter with a cover letter from the Chapter asking the letter be reviewed by City / County Staff as well as the Clerk of the Court.

There was an informal count of who would be attending the Convention in January and four people stated that they had plans to attend. The Chapter has concerns over the economy & with so may Surveyors out of work or low on work it would not be greatly attended by the Southern Chapter.

Continuing Education was also briefly discussed. In the future the Chapter would be better served by having the Continuing Education 1 hr seminars before the meeting & dinner starts. The start time would be around 4pm.

August 8th a joint Canoe Trip / Picnic was held with the Western Chapter and the Southern Chapter at the James River in Glasgow & at the Glen Murray Park in Buena Vista. Fun was had by all and hopefully it will become an annual event!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Troy Williams".

Troy D. Williams, LS
Southern Chapter President



VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS TIDEWATER CHAPTER

RE: Tidewater Chapter 2009 Fall Board Report

September 1, 2009

The Tidewater Chapter Board is schedule to meet on September 17, 2009. We have not had either a General Membership meeting or a Chapter Board meeting this summer, so the report will be brief.

1. Current financial standing of the chapter, per Treasurers Report by Michael Starling. As of September 1, 2009, the Tidewater Chapter had a BB&T checking account balance of \$3,636.75.
2. The City Manager of the City of Virginia Beach responded to a letter I sent on behalf of the Tidewater Chapter regarding concerns over the disposal of original signature sealed plats by the Department of Public Works. A copy of that response letter is attached for the record. I need to thank Michael Starling, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer, for his preparation of the draft letter directed to the City Manager. It was gratifying to see a positive response from the City of Virginia Beach staff, and the procedures outlined in the response letter will hopefully alleviate the concerns of Chapter members regarding the issue of the improper disposal of plats.
3. The Tidewater Chapter sponsored a golf outing held at The Riverfront Golf Club in Suffolk, Virginia on July 15th. The event was coordinated by Chapter Vice President Kevin Wood. We had 11 golfers participate, and were especially pleased to have Chuck Dunlap and his wife Nancy join us for the outing.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy F. Fletcher, LS
2009 VAS Tidewater Chapter President

PATTON HARRIS RUST AND ASSOCIATES.
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Appendix# 14



City of Virginia Beach

VBgov.com

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
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FAX (757) 427-5627
TTY: 711

MUNICIPAL CENTER
BUILDING NUMBER 1
2401 COURTHOUSE DRIVE
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23456

July 20, 2009

Timothy F. Fletcher
Patton, Harris, Rust & Associates
Virginia Association of Surveyors (VAS) Tidewater Chapter
195 Rosemont Road, Suite 101
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23452

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Thank you for expressing your concerns about the current process for plat disposal by the Department of Public Works. I have reviewed this issue with the Director of Public Works and we have taken significant steps towards resolving the problem. The City of Virginia Beach is here to serve our constituents and I am pleased to outline our new procedure.

Beginning **August 1, 2009**, the Department of Public Works will designate an area in the file room in Building 2 that contains labeled slots for each of the area survey firms. When plats are no longer needed, Public Works will place the respective plats into these slots. As survey firms are in the building for business, they may pick up the plats belonging to their firm. When plats are due for disposal, the Public Works department will notify the survey firms with a phone call. Once this notification is given to the appropriate firms, they will have **ten (10) days** to pick up the plats from the file room.

This new procedure will be articulated to all relevant stakeholders via copies of the attached notification letter and there will be an announcement on this issue at the next bi-monthly consultants meeting. We will be providing additional training to our staff on the new procedure to ensure better service to survey firms.

I hope you find that our new process is helpful and resolves the issues outlined in your letter. If you have other questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Public Works Director, Jason E. Cosby at (757) 385-8199.

With Pride in Our City,


James K. Spore
City Manager

JKS/JEC/s

Attachment



City of Virginia Beach

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
(757) 385-8760
FAX (757) 385-5783
TTY: 711

MUNICIPAL CENTER
BUILDING NUMBER 2
2405 COURTHOUSE DRIVE
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23456

Insert Date

Survey Firm Name
Address
City, State, Zip

Dear Managing Partner:

Due to storage space limits and the desire to move to a more environmentally friendly electronic process, the City of Virginia Beach Department of Public Works' process of disposing of survey plats will change beginning **August 1, 2009**. I am writing to inform you of this change so that you may have the opportunity to obtain plats belonging to your company. Our new process is outlined below.

The Department of Public Works will designate an area in the file room, located on the third floor of Municipal Building 2, which contains labeled space for each of the area survey firms. When plats are no longer needed, Public Works will place the respective plats into these slots. As survey firms are in the building for business, they may pick up the plats belonging to their firm. When plats are due for disposal, the Public Works Department will notify the appropriate survey firm with a phone call. Once this notification is given, they will have **ten (10) days** to pick up the plats from the file room. If the plats are not picked up within ten days, they will be discarded by the Department of Public Works.

I hope you find that our new process is helpful. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (757) 385-8760 at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Jason E. Cosby, P.E.
Director, Public Works

JEC/slp

**Virginia Association of Surveyors
Western Chapter
Reprot of July 21, 2009 Meeting**

The Western Chapter met at Mac & Bob's Restaurant in Salem, VA on Tuesday, July 21, 2009. Western Chapter Members present: Chris Pappas, Brian Casella, Carl Correll, Alan Clemons, Philip Nester, David Bess, Greg Vess, Steve Douty, Greg Perkins. Guests: David Holland, Peter Messier, Chip Richardson, Simon Rutrough, Taze Crowder, Donovan Anderson

Call to Order:

- 1 . President Chris Pappas called the meeting to order and presided.
- 2 . Approval of old minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Current balance reflects \$ 2548.41.

Unfinished/Old Business:

1. The Spring Meeting of 2010 will coincide with the VAS Spring Board meeting which is tentatively set for April 23-24 at the Holiday Inn University near the VA Tech campus in Blacksburg.
2. A joint social meeting was set with the Southern Chapter for Saturday, August 8th.
3. The last meeting for the Western Chapter in 2009 will be October 6th.
4. The John Foster School was taking place at Roanoke College the week of our chapter meeting.

New Business:

1. Nominations for Chapter Officers for 2010-11
President: Brian Casella, LS
Vice-President: Carl Correll, LS
Secy/Treas: Alan Clemons, LS
Secy/Treas: Jessica Nash, LS
2. It was decided to send \$1500 to ETSU for the Educational Supplement Fund from the Western Chapter.
3. Philip Nester volunteered to help arrange a VDOT seminar for the Spring Meeting/VAS Board Meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn and seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Pappas
President Western Chapter



VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.
AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN CONGRESS ON SURVEYING AND MAPPING

2010 Operating Budget

To: The Board of Directors
Virginia Association of Surveyors
Summer 2009 Board Meeting
June 27, 2009

From: John K. Sehl
VAS Budget/Assistant Treasurer

Gentlemen:

After the summer board meeting in Williamsburg I requested and received more detailed information on past years income and expenses from our Executive Secretary Judy Hite. I have revised the budget format to be easily updated from the QuickBooks printout which Judy provides. Using previous year's budgets and a review by Judy and others I have prepared the attached Budget for your review and approval.

Even with the additional income from the dues increase approved during the summer board meeting we are having a very hard time covering our expenses. The Association is having the same problems as the rest of the country in the fact that revenues have decreased as expenses have grown. This makes have a balanced budget difficult if not impossible.

I have reduced the expenses as shown on the "2010-Adjusted Budget Sheet". This provides a balanced budget but means we will have to cut some expenditure's during 2010 (shown as reductions on the spread sheet). I have tried to keep the reductions in the areas which are not part of the day to day operations of the association in hopes we will be in better financial health next year.

As an association we need to encourage those members who have not paid their dues this year, to get them paid as soon as possible. We need to add additional new members to our association as this would ease the financial crunch we are now facing.

Respectively Submitted

John Sehl

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

MOTION FORM

MOTION: To Allow CST LEVEL III & IV the opportunity
to become Assoc. Members of the VAS

MOTION MADE BY: Dale Adley

SECONDED BY: Reed Adams

ACTION: Passed UNANIMOUS

DATE: 19 Sept 09

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SURVEYORS, INC.

MOTION FORM

MOTION: MOVE THAT THE BOD DIRECT THE
CONVENTION COMMITTEE TO ~~REPEAL THE~~ PURSUE
CONTRACT
ADDITIONAL A NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE HOTEL
TO OBTAIN FURTHER CONCESSIONS, CONSISTING
OF, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REDUCED GUARANTEED
ROOM NIGHTS, REDUCED ROOM RETAL RATES, AND/OR
REDUCED FOOD & BEVERAGE MINIMUMS IN AN
EFFORT TO GET PROJECTED EXPENSES IN LINE
WITH PROJECTED REVENUES ~~AS WELL AS~~ UP TO AND
INCLUDING CANCELLATION OF THE ~~PRESENT~~ ANNUAL
MEETING CONTRACT WITH THE HOTEL

MOTION MADE BY: CHUCK DUNLAP

SECONDED BY: STUART DUN

ACTION: PASSED

DATE: 19 Sept 09

Virginia Association of Surveyors
8752 Landmark Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Council of Past Presidents / Long Range Planning Committee
August 27, 2009

Report to the President of VAS and the Board of Directors

Mr. President,

The Council of Past Presidents met on August 26, 2009 at the Central Office. In attendance were Doug Richmond, John Elkin, Joe Coppedge, David Holland, John Krobath, and Thomas Brooks, Sr. Our purpose was twofold. First, we are charged to review and recommend the proposed slate of officers for 2010. Our proposed slate of officers is listed below. Secondly, we discussed the state of the current and future finances of the organization with emphasis on the planned 2010 Convention. The Council of Past Presidents has urgent recommendations for you on this matter.

We are please to recommend the following slate of Officers and Directors:

Proposed Slate of Officers and Directors for 2010

President	Charles F. "Chuck" Dunlap
First Vice President	Peter G. Moore
Second Vice President	W.E. (Will) Nash
Secretary-Treasurer	Bruce Frederick John Sehl
Region I Director, One Year Term	David F. "Charlie" Rice, III
Region II Director, Two Year Term	Keith Shrader
Region III Director, One Year Term	Hayden Frye
Region IV Director, Two Year Term	Troy Williams
Past President	Timothy S. Nash
NSPS Governor	David Holland

2010 Convention & Current Financial Situation

Mr. President, we are **extremely concerned** that the 2010 Convention may have an operating loss exceeding \$25,000. A projected shortfall of this magnitude has the **potential to bankrupt** the Association. We say this because of three reasons:

1. **The Economy.** We forecast that the current economic state of our profession, the region, and the nation in general will greatly reduce the attendance at the convention. We have taken straw polls and do not believe that the VAS will meet its projected attendance, falling as much as 50 percent short.
2. **The Location.** We forecast that, because of the location, the great majority of attendees at the Convention will be local to Northern Virginia. We believe that most of the attendees will not stay at the hotel for the night, preferring to travel home. This will again lead to a shortfall in the number of guaranteed rooms.
3. **The Contract.** We have examined the contract with the Hilton, and are frankly dismayed at the costs of rooms, meals, and events. In particular, the sliding scale where the rates increase as attendance decreases has the potential to spell disaster for the Convention. The expense of this Convention has also caused the VAS to cancel the Exam Prep, the Foundation Luncheon, and Thursday Seminars. We also forecast that the VDOT meeting, which in the past has taken place at our Convention, will not occur due to the expense and the economy. At past conventions, the VDOT people attending their meeting augmented our attendance figures.

Mr. President, the Council of Past Presidents recommends that you immediately contact the Convention Chairman and the Convention Committee with our concerns.

In regards to the 2010 Convention, the Council of Past Presidents recommends the following:

- Re-examine the expected attendance, the expenses of the Convention and run the numbers.
- Substantially reduce or eliminate the complimentary rooms and meals to reduce the obligation of the VAS. This includes Officers, Out-of State Guests, newly licensed individuals, Instructors and Speakers.
- Attempt to re-negotiate the contract with the Hotel. With the current economic conditions and our projects, anything may be negotiable. As a last alternative, the cost to the VAS of cancelling the convention may well be less than the cost of holding the convention.

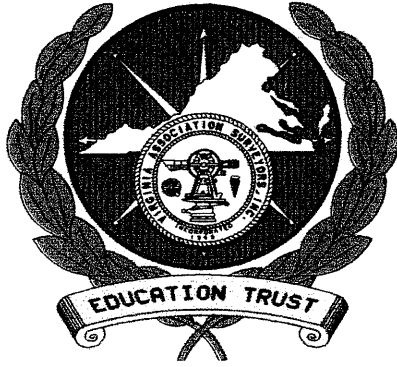
In regards to the general VAS finances, the Council of Past Presidents and the Committee for Long Range Planning recommends that:

- The Board of Directors look at ways to decrease expenditures. For example, we simply cannot afford a Lobbyist at this time. The Board must look at other items also.
- The Board of Directors look at ways to increase revenues, perhaps with a larger dues increase, which must be presented to the membership, or increasing seminars.
- Future conventions must be required to break even. In the recent past, for whatever reason, conventions have lost four to eight thousand dollars.

Respectfully,

Doug Richmond
Chairman
Council of Past Presidents
Long Range Planning Committee

Cc: Convention Chairman



VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION of SURVEYORS, INC.

Report to the Virginia Association of Surveyors, Board of Directors Fall Board Meeting, September 19, 2009

We, the Trustees of the Virginia Association of Surveyors, Inc., Educational Trust, hereby report to the Board of Directors as directed by Section 4D Accounting by Trustees of the trust document.

Trustees:

Joseph C. Coppedge
Philip W. Nester, Chairman
David L. Holland
Gary S. Cooke
W. Page Cockrell, Vice Chairman

Term Expires

January 2012 (2nd Term)
January 2014 (2nd Term)*
January 2011 (2nd Term)
January 2013 (2nd Term)
January 2010 (1st Term)**

The year Two Thousand and Nine has been another excellent one for the Trust. This year the Trust received 6 applications for scholarships. The scholarship requests were relatively scattered from around the Commonwealth, so each geographic area is benefiting from the Trust. Again this year three (3) of the applicants are sons of long-time VAS members, so the VAS membership is seeing multiple benefits from the Trust.

This year the Trust awarded scholarships in the amount of \$2,000.00 each to the following: Brock Larry Bowman, Wesley Earl Griggs, Clayton Alexander Nash, Jack Daniel Richmond, Joshua Lynn Sehl, and Brian Keith Shrader. The first \$1,000.00 of the scholarship awards were presented to the students in July; and the remaining \$1,000.00 will be presented in late fall, subject to enrollment and grade status verification.

As of July 31, 2009 the A account (Securities Account) is valued at \$103,799.94, and the B account (Command Account) at \$27,312.87 with current scholarship liabilities of \$6,000.00. Other than administration fees, the Trust has no other financial liabilities at this time. The total value of the Trust as of July 31, 2009, including cash and securities minus liabilities, is \$125,112.81. Even with safe investments, the trust is not immune to the down-turn in the market. The Trustees urge the VAS to continue its support of the Trust with donations from the Silent Auction and the Educational Account.

Should the Board or any VAS member have questions or wish additional information, please contact any of the Trustees or myself.

The Trustees respectfully move that the Board of Directors accept this report and include it in the minutes of the Fall Board of Directors Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Philip W. Nester

Philip W. Nester, LS, Chairman Trustee, Virginia
Association of Surveyors, Inc.,
Educational Trust

- In reviewing the minutes of the Annual Trust meetings and the VAS Annual General Membership Meetings, it appears that Mr. Cooke may have been reappointed to serve his second term in both the 2008 and 2009 Annual VAS Meetings. Whereas, Mr. Nester should have been reappointed at the 2009 General Membership Meeting, the Trustees are respectfully requesting that the Board of Directors of the VAS affirm Mr. Nester's reappointment (retroactive to January 2009) at the 2009 Fall Board Meeting and that the President officially reappoint Mr. Nester for a second term that will expire in January 2014. We apologize for the oversight and any inconvenience that it may have caused.

- ** W. Page Cockrell was appointed to complete the term of C. Allen Bamforth, Jr. which expires in January 2010. Pursuant to the Trust Document, Mr. Cockrell may be appointed to serve two five year terms in addition to completing Mr. Bamforth's term. The Trustees are respectfully recommending that Mr. Cockrell be appointed to his first full five year term which will expire in January 2014.



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September 8, 2009

VAS Education Committee Report

Re: Reimbursement of Trig-Star Funds to Eligible Chapters

Whereas the Trig-star Committee made a motion on April 11, 1997 to utilize revenues earned from the Education Committee (Seminar Account) to promote the Trig-star Program by providing matching funds to participating chapters.

Whereas the VAS Board has approved the disbursement of matching funds to eligible chapters participating in the current year's Trig-Star Program, the following chapters have applied to the Education Committee for funds and have submitted the necessary documentation for review by the Committee.

- Central Chapter: Requests a reimbursement of \$250.00
- Southern Chapter: Requests a reimbursement of \$250.00

The Education Committee has reviewed the above requests for reimbursement of matching funds per the guidelines adopted previously by the VAS Board. Based on those guidelines, the committee has the disbursement of the monies requested by the above listed chapters.

Respectively submitted,

Frank R. "Chip" Richardson, II
Education Committee Chairman



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September 19, 2009

Membership Committee Report
VAS Fall BOD Meeting
The Wingate Inn
20 Sanford Drive
Fredericksburg, Va. 22406

Members of the Board:

The Membership Committee is pleased to provide the following report on the Virginia Association of Surveyors current membership roster. As of this report, the current VAS membership is as follows:

Current Membership

Regular Members	655
Associate Members	38
Retired Members	32
Student Members	22

Total Membership: 747

Respectfully Submitted by:

David R. Gardy, LS
Chairman, Membership Committee
P.O. Box 15
New Kent, Va. 23124
(804)-370-4469

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Tony Holbrook, David Ingram, and other interested members of the Virginia Association of Surveyors and the Virginia Surveying Education Foundation

FROM: Jerry Taylor, ETSU Surveying and Mapping Program Coordinator

DATE: September 4, 2009

RE: ETSU Surveying and Mapping Program status report at the beginning of the 2009-2010 academic year

State of the ETSU Surveying and Mapping Program as of September, 2009

- We received word that the ABET review of our program that was conducted in 2008 resulted in a decision to re-accredit until 2015. This is the longest duration that ABET will accredit a program for and it is the first time that the surveying and mapping science program at ETSU has been accredited for a six year period without the need for an interim review. Obviously, we are very pleased with this result.
- The program enrollment has increased for the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year. While we do not yet have final, official enrollment numbers in hand, my unofficial head count of surveying majors stands at 71 surveying majors. This does not include distance learning students who are only taking individual classes without seeking the degree. It also does not include those students who have expressed an interest transferring to surveying from other programs, but whose paperwork has not yet been fully processed. I think it is safe to say that we have more than 71 students enrolled as surveying majors. This is the second (maybe the third) straight year of enrollment increases for us. Although I don't have official data regarding surveying students who are Virginia residents, it appears that at least 7 of these students, and perhaps as many as 12 are Virginia residents.
- We were able to fill our third full time tenure-track position with the top-ranked candidate on our list. Assistant Professor Jinseok Hong comes to us from the University of Florida, where he obtained a MS in Geomatics and has nearly completed the requirements for the PhD in Geomatics. He has started his duties with us this semester. We feel very fortunate to have Professor Hong join us and we look forward to his contributions. The surveying and mapping science program is now fully staffed for the first time in a few years.

- Distance learning offerings continue to expand:
 - Survey Science Topics (SURV 4520) and Land Survey Systems (SURV 3520) are being offered as distance learning classes for the first time this semester, with live videostreamed lectures available to students wherever they may be located, so long as they have access to a computer with high speed internet service.. Surveying Graphics (SURV 2560) also has videostreamed lectures available for the first time this semester.
 - GPS surveying (SURV 4567) was offered as a distance learning class with videostreamed lectures in the Spring semester of 2009 for the first time. Photogrammetry (SURV 4517) and Land Subdivision and Platting (SURV 4547) were also made available to distance learning students in the spring semester with videostreamed lectures. Photogrammetry requires once a month Saturday lab sessions.

VAS and VSEF support for the ETSU Surveying program in 2009

Both the Virginia Surveyors Association and the Virginia Surveying Education Foundation were very generous in supporting the ETSU surveying program and its students in 2009 as well as in prior years. Examples of the support extended to us include:

- Donation of exhibit area space to the program in 2009 along with allowing students access to all elements of the 2009 annual meeting. The opportunity extended by the VAS for students to observe the vendors with their products and services and to observe professional surveyors as they interact, as they continue their education, and as they conduct their association business is an eye opening experience for the students.
- The Virginia Surveyors Education Foundation authorized a grant of up to \$5000 to be used for equipment to support the education of surveying students at ETSU.
- The Virginia Surveyors Education Foundation granted over \$750 to defray the transportation, food and lodging expenses of students and faculty for attending the 2009 Virginia Surveyors Association meeting, and authorized a grant for attending the 2010 VAS annual meeting
- The Virginia Association of Surveyors donated \$6300 to ETSU at the annual meeting. These funds were placed in the Foundation account # F224240, which is a general account with funds earmarked for use by the surveying program.
- About 10 sample maps from the 2009 map contest were donated for use as teaching aids in various classes.

- Scholarships provided by the both the Virginia Surveyors Association and the Virginia Surveying Educational Foundation to enable students to pursue the B.S. degree in Surveying and Mapping

Requests for VAS and VSEF support for the ETSU Surveying program in 2010

The Virginia Surveying Educational Foundation authorized a grant for 2009 to support the surveying program at ETSU.

The Educational Supplement Fund Review Committee of the VAS met on August 11, 2008 and issued a report that included the following recommendation:

5. Written request for funds shall be submitted to the Committee Chairman or the Virginia Association of Surveyors Central Office on or before December 1 of that calendar year. These written requests shall come directly from the institutions, together with a report of how the prior donations were used, and how the requested money is intended to be used.

At the time the 2009 grant from the VAS was awarded, we were notified that this recommended policy had been adopted and would be followed for this year and subsequently.

So far, we have not made any request for disbursement of the VSEF 2009 authorized grant, nor for any funds for 2010 from the VAS. We continue to have needs and we expect to make requests to both the VSEF and the VAS prior to December 1, 2009.

One of the reasons we have made no requests to date is because our new faculty member will be charged with teaching many of our advanced technology classes and we want to give him time to become acquainted with our program, our available resources, and our needs so he can offer his input on the best use of any funds that are awarded.

Another reason we are delaying our requests is that our requests are likely going to be on a larger scale than previously. We are looking into updating a complete computer lab (15-20 computers with accessories). We are looking into updating our GPS equipment. Both of these tend to be more costly and we are seeking internal sources for these kinds of things. It may be that we'll be seeking matching funds for one or the other. It may be that we'll want to defer the opportunity to receive a grant for 2009 and ask to have it combined with a larger grant for 2010.

In any event, we intend to comply with the VAS policy outlined above and we intend to stay in touch with the VSEF regarding their 2009 authorization. We'll report back to both organizations before December 1, 2009 and we'll include a complete accounting of how the 2009 VAS award was used.