



# AFS BioEngineering Section ExCom Meeting Notes

Date Monday, March 2, 2020. 12:30-1 pm ET (9:30-10 am PT)

Meeting: BES ExCom - Post February 2020 Governing Board and Annual Meeting Planning

Location: Conference Call Line - +1 (877) 602-3943 (Passcode 421809)

Subject: Meeting Notes

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## 1. Attendance

- Current BES Officers
  - Dana Postlewait – President (present)
  - Mike Garelo – Past President (present)
  - Dan Giza – President Elect (present)
  - Jessica Pica – Secretary/Treasurer (present)
- BES Committee Representatives
  - Kathy Hoverman – AFS/BES - ASCE/EWRI Joint Committee Chair (present)
  - Randy Beckwith – BES Technology Committee Chair (present)
  - Patrick O'Rouke – BES Resource Policy Committee Chair (present)
  - Gordon Clark – BES Digital Media Chair (present)
  - Jenna Rackovan – Ned Taft Award (present)

## 2. Call meeting to order:

- Quorum

### **3. Revisions to Agenda**

### **4. Announcements**

### **5. Treasurer's Report**

### **6. BES Business**

### **7. Conferences/Training Opportunities**

- **Governing Board Meeting, Little Rock, AK, 2/23-24/20**
  - AFS climate change issues – Scott Bonar's presidential plan
    - Lots of feedback
    - Scott authorized to send it out
    - Advocacy or no advocacy?
    - Original document with comments or the toned down version?
    - It's moving forward
    - Incoming president Brian Murphy to change name
    - Canadian spinoff since they cannot attend U.S. one
  - Ned Taft Award
    - Dana did ask Doug Austin and Dan Cassidy about donating funds to BES or Ned Taft Award while registering for AFS membership, they thought it would be good idea, not a big deal, Eva would administer, Dana did ping Eva.
  - MOU with ASCE
    - MOU with college societies and others – will get examples from AFS
    - Doug Austin, executive director of AFS, would have to sign MOU
    - Get samples then arrange call
  - AFS Webinars
    - Lauren Maza would appreciate Joint Committee to run webinars through AFS platform
    - How many steps are there to approve webinars? Lauren didn't seem too worried. They hold one a month.
    - Next Joint Committee meeting, see if they're interested
  - Annual Reporting
    - <10% compliance, the platform isn't working
  - Bylaws
    - Randy Schultz, constitutional consultant

- Dana got two more examples
- **AFS 2020 Annual Meeting, Columbus, Ohio. Aug 30 – Sept 3 (AFS 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)**
  - ExCom put together list of conference symposia that membership might be interested to submit abstracts to. Jessica sent email 3/2/20 with list and hyperlinks.
  - Fish nomination: vote during next monthly call 3/13
  - 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary AFS Section Exhibit
    - Original priority for call.
    - Ideas:
      - Have a poster or banner
      - Photos of projects
      - Treasure hunt with print outs
      - Jenna volunteer to help not spearhead
    - 3/2/20 membership symposia list email included another call for exhibit volunteers. Marcin Whitman reached out and seemed interested.

## **8. Next Meeting**

- Friday, March 13, 2020 at 12 pm ET / 9 am PT

## **9. Adjourn**