

REGION IV MEETING REPORT

April 2001

The regional Meeting was held at the Lied Conference Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska on February 1 2001. Schools in attendance were: Central Missouri State University, Iowa State University, Moorehead State University, Kansas State University, North Dakota State University, South Dakota State University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha.

Concurrent with this meeting was the Region IV Seventh Annual Student Competition. Three areas of competition were held this year. Eight universities from in Region IV sent teams. In the Commercial Building Division, Iowa State University placed first, with second place going to Kansas State University and third place going to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln placed first in the Heavy Highway Division with second place going to University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha and third place to Iowa State University. In the Design Build Division, Iowa State University placed first and North Dakota State University placed second and third place went to Central Missouri University. Competition sponsors were Mortenson Construction Company, for the Commercial Building; Kiewit Engineering for the Heavy Highway; and Hensel Phelps for the Design Build.

Next years regional meeting and student competition is scheduled to be held in February 2002 at the Lied Conference Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska. The exact date and meeting schedules will be forwarded to all member schools once it becomes available.

Charles Berryman of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln was announced as the newly elected Region IV Director and will assume the Directors duties at the ASC Post Board Meeting at Denver in April 2001.

REGION IV ANNUAL REPORT

APRIL 2000

The regional Meeting was held at the Drury Inn Convention Center in St Louis, Missouri on February 17 2000. Schools in attendance were: Central Missouri State University, Iowa State University, Moorhead State University, Kansas State University, Pittsburgh State University, South Dakota State University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha.

Concurrent with this meeting was the Region IV Seventh Annual Student Competition. Three areas of competition were held this year. Seven universities from eight different states in Region IV and two teams from Region III sent teams. In the Commercial Building Division the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha placed first, with second place going to Kansas State University and third place going to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Central Missouri State University placed first in the Heavy Highway Division with second place going to Kansas State University and third place to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. In the Design Build Division, Iowa State University placed first and Central Missouri State University placed second (only two places awarded) and in Region III competition The University of Cincinnati Ohio placed first and the Milwaukee School of Engineering placed second (only two places awarded). Competition sponsors were: J.S. Alberici Construction Company of St Louis, MO, for the Commercial Building, Fred Weber, Inc., Maryland Heights, MO for the Heavy Highway and McCarthy Construction, St Louis, MO for the Design Build.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha, Iowa State University and Central Missouri State University represented Region IV at the National Competition held in Seattle, Washington. UNL at Omaha competed in the Commercial Building Division, Iowa State University competed in the Design/Build Division and CMSU completed in the Heavy High Way Division.

Next years regional meeting and student competition is scheduled to be held February 1 through 3, 2001 at the Lied Conference Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska. Exact costs and meeting schedules will be forwarded to all member schools once they become available.

Business items discussed at the Region Meeting were (1) continuing to hold the faculty meeting concurrent with the student competition. Consensus of the faculty members present was that considering time and cost factors it was better to hold this meeting at the same time and (2) the Regional Meeting and Student Competition should be moved back to Nebraska City and a Thursday through Saturday format be used.

The following business was discussed during the Regional Meeting at Purdue University. First, a realignment of the national regions was done, which created a new region. This change affected Regions IV and VI by moving some states into a new Region VI and basically creating a new Region VII on the West Coast. The effect on Region IV was that Colorado and Wyoming moved to the reconfigured Region VI. Discussion was held on the content of the mid-year faculty meeting. Consensus was reach that a reemphasis should be place on scholarly paper

presentations, poster sessions and possibility having a speaker or outside program presenter.

Finally, a new regional director will need to be elected next year. Requests for nominations will be called for in the fall with the election being held before the Mid-Year Meeting. The results of the election will be made at the Mid-Year meeting and the new director will assume all duties after the General Business Meeting at next year's annual conference in Denver.

Kudos the following Region Faculty: James Goddard of Kansas State University for receiving the ASC Outstanding Educator award and Dr. Mostafa Khattab for his election as Second Vice President of the ASC. Finally congratulation to students and faculty at Iowa State University for taking first place at the National Student Competition in the Design/Build Division.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene H. Wright

Region IV Director

REGION IV ANNUAL REPORT

APRIL 1999

The regional Meeting was held at the Park Place Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri on February 5 and 6, 1999. Schools in attendance were: Central Missouri State University, Colorado State University, Iowa State University, Moorehead State University, Kansas State University, Pittsburgh State University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha. Sixteen faculty members were present.

Concurrent with this meeting was the Region IV Sixth Annual Student Competition. Three areas of competition were held this year. Nine universities from eight different states sent a total of nineteen teams. In the Commercial Building Division the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha placed first, with second place going to Iowa State University and third place going to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Kansas State University (tie). Central Missouri State University placed first in the Heavy Highway Division with second place going to Kansas State University and third place to Iowa State University. In the Design Build Division, Iowa State University placed first, Central Missouri State University placed second and Colorado State University placed third. Competition sponsors were: JE Dunn for the Commercial Building, Kiewit Engineering for the Heavy Highway and Hensel Phelps for the Design Build.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha and Central Missouri State University represented Region IV at the National Competition at Las Vegas, Nevada in March 1999. UNL at Omaha competed in the Commercial Building Division while CMSU completed in the Heavy High Way Division.

The National Association of Women in Construction was the special guest at the Regional awards presentation. Seventeen companies, professional groups and member schools took part in tabletop displays on Friday for viewing by both the students and faculty.

Next years regional meeting and student competition is tentatively scheduled to be held in conjunction with the St. Louis AGC Construction/Mart during the week of February 13 through 19, 2000 (exact days and schedule has not been determined at this time) in St. Louis, Missouri. The St Louis Chapter of the AGC. will host both the competition and faculty meeting. Exact costs and meeting schedules will be forwarded to all member schools once they become available.

Business items discussed at the Regional meeting were (1) continuing to hold the faculty meeting concurrent with the student competition. Consensus of the faculty members present was that considering time and cost factors it was better to hold this meeting at the same time and (2) the Regional Meeting and Student Competition in St. Louis. The faculty members were interested in learning more about this possibility of meeting in St. Louis contingent on lodging and travel costs. Further discussion is necessary at National regarding St. Louis.

The National President appointed Scott Seltveit of Moorhead State University as the new Assistant Regional Director. Additionally Bill Strenth of Pittsburg State was appointed as Assistant Competition Coordinator.

Business items discussed at San Luis Obispo were (1) the regional faculty meeting and student competition is still being held at St. Louis. As of the date of the national meeting, the St Louis Chapter of the AGC will fund each competing team to a sum of \$1,000 and all entry fees are to be waived. This funding is not final and some adjustment may occur; and (2) changing the format of the regional student competition from the present form to a 24 hour format where all the problem solving and development work would be done at the students home school and the presentations would, in this case, be made in St. Louis. This program change is not final and a proposal concerning this will be sent to all region schools for comments, approval or rejection.

Kudos to the following Region Faculty (1) Dr. Jack Landers of Central Missouri State University who received the ASC Outstanding Educator Award, (2) Dr. Charles Berryman of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln who received an ASC National Teaching Award, (3) Professor Linda Swoboda for being elected as National Vice President of Sigma Lambda Chi, and (4) Dr. Mostafa Khattab for his outstanding Research In Progress Committee program.

Attached are the Operating Procedures for all officials in Region IV. These Procedures are for your information.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene H. Wright

Region IV Director

ASC Midyear Board Meeting

Region IV Report

November 14, 2005

North Central Region IV of the Association Schools of Construction

Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota

Region IV website – <http://cmdept.unl.edu/region4>

During October 27-29, 2005, the North Central **Associated Schools of Construction (ASC) - Region IV** met at the Lied Lodge in Nebraska City, Nebraska for its annual conference. Twelve of the fifteen universities in the seven state region were represented. In attendance were 21 university faculty and 206 students. Events included this year were the midyear meeting, Career Fair and annual Student Management Competitions. Students, faculty and industry met for lunch during the Career Fair. This year's fair sported the influx of 23 representatives from 11 different construction firms. The Associated General Contractors (AGC) partnered with the ASC financially to ensure a successful outcome of events. Companies in attendance at the conference were



Lusardi Construction – San Marcos, California
M. A. Mortenson Company – Minneapolis, Minnesota
Hawkins Construction Company – Omaha, Nebraska
Hensel Phelps - Denver, Colorado
Signature Construction - Carmel, Indiana
Kiewit Western – Omaha, Nebraska
Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)- Omaha, Nebraska
McCarthy Building Company – Tempe, Arizona
HearthStone Homes – Omaha, Nebraska
Centex Homes – Chesterfield, Missouri
Pulte Homes – Kansas City, Kansas
Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Nebraska – Walt Broer, President
National Association of Home Builders – Student Chapter

Pulte Homes traveled to the conference to participate in an industry demonstration of Pulte building components in development. Presented were topics in precast foundations and panels. Cris Cash, Vice President of Construction for Pulte National and Jim Peterson Director of Pulte Building Products were the key speakers for this event. In addition, [Jim Goddard](#) of Kansas State and Dick Karfonek, former Construction Management department chair at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, held a training session for those interested in those interested participating in accreditation visits for the [American](#)

[Council of Construction Education](#) (ACCE). The council is the governing body for the accreditation of post secondary construction education programs in the United States.

The Student Management Competition was the highlight of all of the ASC events. It is one of the largest of its type in the United States. Twenty-nine Construction Management teams from eleven different universities competed in the Commercial, Heavy Civil, Design Build, and Residential divisions. They used real plans and specifications from projects that have already been constructed. The overall intent is to place students in the “real life” project management situations. In an 18 hour period, they must schedule, estimate, run cost analysis, and anticipate issues that will arise as the project is being built. A panel of judges from industry review the hard copies of the students proposed plans for managing and constructing the project. Students are asked to prepare and present their proposed ideas to the panel of judges. This part of the competition brings to light student’s knowledge and ability to work together in an active environment that closely emulates project management reality. In order to facilitate such an environment, the judging panel is comprised of representatives from all facets of the construction industry. This includes the owners, architects, contractors, and engineers.

Winners of the commercial, heavy highway, and design build divisions have qualified to compete in the ASC/AGC national competition which is usually held at the same time as the AGC national convention. However, Katrina has made the AGC 2006 Convention (March 19 - 22, 2006) plans in New Orleans, LA out of the question. Current AGC National plans are to hold the AGC National Convention in Palm Desert, CA. those same dates. The AGC National office has informed the ASC board that the cost of hosting the National Student Competition (NSC) in Palm Desert is too expensive. Therefore, the NSC (for 2006 only) is being considered for another date and venue. Currently, the competition is tentatively scheduled for April 6-9, 2006 in Dallas, Texas. As for the Residential division, the winner and the two runner ups are invited to compete in the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) competition in Orlando, Florida January 13-16, 2006.

This year’s competition division winners are as follows:

Design Build

Sponsored by **Hensel Phelps**; Assisted by Lusardi Construction

1st place – Iowa State University

Gina Riesberg

Cory McDermott

Andrew Roth

Derek Stoltz

Jason Bersch

John Lewton

Dr. Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln (Omaha)

Derek Schmitz

Isaiah Sicheneder

Nick Seeba

Eric Newton

Josh Thinnes

Jerry Seier

Keith Pedersen, Coach

3rd place – North Dakota State

Sarah Grosz

Nick Fernstrom

Jon Christensen

Chad Johnson

Alex Porter

Jeremy Cossitt

Dr. Eric Asa, Coach

Commercial

Sponsored by **M.A. Mortenson Company**

1st place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Brandon Limoges

Dan Barrett

Adam Hoebelheinrich

Christopher Myers

Jordan Hoffart

Troy Bridgeford

Dr. Charles (Chuck) Berryman, Coach

2nd place – Missouri State University

Shaun Alexander

Stephen Monsanto

Jeffrey Sly

Jim Robinson

Thad Yeargain

Michael Chiles

Dr. John Reposo, Coach

3rd place – Kansas State University

Jason Snider

Brett Allen

Justin Herron

Chris Baalman

Bill Linin

Joe Douglas

Tom Logan, Coach

Heavy Civil

Sponsored by **Peter Kiewit & Sons**

1st place – Iowa State University

Scott Cornelius

Jesse Werner

Nels Overgaard

Mike Grim

Nick Andersen

Ken Dittus

Dr. Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – North Dakota State University

Joseph Miessen

Jake Bauer

Brian Abeld

Tom Kuakmuhs

Nathan Lotvedt

Nathan Bren

Dr. Eric Asa, Coach

3rd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln (Omaha)

Sarah Doll

Matthew Alvarado

Stephen Ashmore

Brian Shunk

And Callaway

Dr. James Goedert, Coach

Residential

Sponsored by **Centex Homes**, Assisted by HearthStone Homes

1st place – Missouri State University

Matt Sauer

Allister Dueker

Linn Curtis

Chad Crouch

Brooks Innes

Dr. John Reposo, Coach

2nd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Mike Poulton

Nichole Karr

Jared Argo

Nicole Kadyszewski

Bill Jansen

Ryan Robertshaw

Dr. Charles (Chuck) Berryman, Coach

3rd place – North Dakota State University

Jesse Rasmusson

Jon Krump

Ryan Husfeldt

Josh Spooner

Justin Berdan

Darrick Lundstrom

Dr. Eric Asa, Coach

ASC Region IV Member Schools

Central Missouri State University

Kansas State University

Iowa State University

Minnesota State University - Moorhead

Minnesota State University - Mankato

North Dakota State University

Pittsburgh State University

South Dakota State University

Missouri State University

St. Cloud Technical College

University of Nebraska - Kearney

University of Nebraska - Lincoln

University of Nebraska - Lincoln (Omaha)

University of Northern Iowa

University of Kansas

This is the first year that the conference and competition's financial obligations were operated through the national ASC treasurer's office. Sue Wagner-Renner handled the inflows and outflows for our region. She maintained the ledger and provided quarterly reports. Projections place the region \$15,874 surplus. In order to spend down the monies, a motions were made (and passed) to 1) include a breakfast buffet for everybody during the competition, and 2) purchase DVD equipment to record the student presentations. The financial statement is as follows:

Financial Statement for FY 2005-2006

Region IV – North Central

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT	REVENUE	EXPENSE	BALANCE
7/1/2005	Balance Forward				\$14,990.00
10/3/2005	Central Missouri State (2 teams)	Ck #158	\$500.00		\$15,490.00
10/3/2005	Iowa State Univ (4 teams)	Credit Card	\$1,000.00		\$16,490.00
10/3/2005	Pittsburg State Univ (1 team)	Credit Card	\$250.00		\$16,740.00
10/3/2005	Univ of Nebraska- Lincoln (3 teams)	Credit Card	\$750.00		\$17,490.00
10/3/2005	Univ of Northern Iowa (1 team)	Credit Card	\$250.00		\$17,740.00
10/3/2005	Kiewit (Career Fair)	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$18,240.00
10/7/2005	Hawkins (Career Fair)	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$18,740.00
10/7/2005	Minnesota State Univ- Mankato (1 team)	Ck #3215	\$250.00		\$18,990.00
10/7/2005	Kansas State Univ (2 teams)	Ck 826	\$500.00		\$19,490.00
10/7/2005	Mortenson (Career Fair)	Ck 132768	\$500.00		\$19,990.00
10/19/2005	Minnesota State Univ - Moorhead (4 teams)	Ck #299955	\$1,000.00		\$20,990.00
10/19/2005	Southwest Missouri State (2 teams)	Ck #236315	\$500.00		\$21,490.00
10/19/2005	Univ of Nebraska at Omaha (4 teams)	Ck #52625	\$1,000.00		\$22,490.00
10/19/2005	Lusardi Construcion (Career Fair)	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$22,990.00
10/19/2005	Signature Construction LLC (Career Fair)	Ck #46591	\$500.00		\$23,490.00
10/19/2005	Kiewit Western (Career Fair)	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$23,990.00
10/19/2005	Hensel Phelps (Career Fair)	Ck #503107	\$500.00		\$24,490.00

10/24/2005	HearthStone Homes (Career Fair)	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$24,990.00
10/24/2005	South Dakota State Univ (1 team)	Ck #133250	\$250.00		\$25,240.00
11/2/2005	Awards Unlimited, Inc	Ck #1318		-\$75.30	\$25,164.70

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT	REVENUE	EXPENSE	BALANCE
11/11/2005	McCarthy Building Companies	Credit Card	\$500.00		\$25,664.70
11/14/2005	Conference Cost - Lied Lodge; Nebraska city	Projected Cost		-\$14,300.00	\$11,364.70
11/14/2005	AGC State Chapters (6) - Sponsor Funding of the Student Competition	Sponsorship	\$5,000.00		\$16,364.70
11/14/2005	DVD Video Equipment for Student Competition	Approved Spending -Projected Cost		-\$1,500.00	\$14,864.70
14-Nov	North Dakota - 4 teams	Check lost; returned to Sue	\$1,000.00		\$15,864.70
	TOTALS		\$16,750.00	-\$15,875.30	\$15,864.70

ASC Region IV Midyear Board Report

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

November 16, 2004

Submitted by Chuck Berryman

This year's events were held at the Leid Conference Center, Nebraska City on October 28-30, 2004. Region IV faculty met with industry prior to their midyear meeting. Attendees were as follows:

Chuck Berryman	UNL	Keith Pedersen	UNL-O
Stu Bernstein	UNL-O	Cory Poulsen	Pulte Homes
Richard Bruce	CMSU	Gerald Polamteer	UNI
Walt Broer	AGC NE	John Reposit	SMSU
Joel Douglas	Hensel Phelps	Scott Seltveit	MSU-Moorhead
Scotty Galloway	ASU	Mike Sholders	Hensel Phelps
Jim Goddard	KSU	Gary Smith	NDSU
Chris Hess	Lusardi Const.	Bill Strenth	PSU
Joe Kupersmith	CMSU	Tim Towberman	Mortenson
Tom Logan	KSU	S. Varsavand	UNI
David McCandless	CMSU	Eugene Wright	UNL
Mike McLaren	Kiewit	David Wahlström	SDSU
Jeff Netsch	Kiewit		Oakview Const

Discussion involved the following items:

ASC Region IV Industry Career Fair (S. Bernstein)

Lack of companies participating Regional Competition should be a bigger draw.

- Request testimonials from contractors
- Individual contacts
- Most companies present reported a fall recruiting schedule. Region IV needs to working to next Fall schedule as soon as possible.
- Someone in each region make a presentation to state AGC
- Next competition Oct 27-29, 2005

Competition Issues (G. Smith)

- Problem Statements
 - Qualifying what they know
 - Care in developing problem statements, coordinators should check to ensure the project is not easily 'found' on web
 - Research here is part of the learning
- Qualification packages
 - Keep 20 page format
 - Suggest 1 page with photos, names, titles, the made up resumes take up valuable space
 - Lightly weighted but a valued learning tool
 - Helps solidify teams
- Grading Format Changes

- Format changes are ok and sponsors can publish the changes in weights or content when they publish the problem statement. Otherwise the generic format that currently exists can be used
- Request was made this year for a school to enter two teams in one division.
 - After discussion of alternatives (red/blue –red automatic entry, random selection of blue, blue competition on proposals – best proposals present, no distinction everyone compete based on proposals etc.) decision was to not change the current format. Schools need to pre-select or organize one team per division.
- Additional Industry Sponsor And General Discussion
 - Limit repeat of prequalification information in the proposals. Do not resubmit (we need to check grading format for this also)
 - Volume ok, some bulk added by boilerplate requirements in some proposals
 - Direct teams to NOT paste or tape portions of their submissions together. Max. Sheet size is 11X17 and all oversized pages should be at the back of the submission to aid in reproduction.

After meeting with industry, faculty took a lunch break and met at 1:40 pm on October 29, 2004 for the regional meeting. Attending were 26 faculty from 11 different universities. First order of business was to draw presentation slots for the competition teams. Each coach selected time slot as their team was drawn. Once completed Bill Strength gave an overview of the hotel's room check out and extended stay.

Reporting began with Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director. He provided information on the 41st annual ASC international conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. It will be held on April 6-9, 2005 and hosted by the University of Cincinnati's Construction Science Department. Conference website is located at <http://homepages.uc.edu:8000/~elzarkhm/asc41/main.html> .

Berryman continued by announcing the upcoming November midyear ASC Board meeting in Florida. The agenda for this meeting was reviewed and discussed. The most interest was in the "term limit" clause. It was indicated that the majority of Region IV schools are in favor of keeping the clause. This information is to be relayed to the other Board members. In addition, the Board plans to host a strategic plan. One survey for this event required a listing of "indicators for success" from each region. Due to the quick return date, Berryman submitted items that he thought would be pertinent to the regional membership. Each item was reviewed. Berryman then asked the attendees to review the form and provide any input on these items.

The ASC/AGC national competition agenda item drew discussion. It was noted that the ASC sign another 3 year agreement with AGC, however, the autonomy

of each region stays intact. It is up to the region to decide where their winning teams will compete nationally. Gene Wright brought up the fact that DBIA wants to start a national competition with ASC. It was agreed that Wright and DBIA bring back a sponsor proposal. The same was applied to Stu Bernstein and ABC. Once the proposals are received, the Region IV Director will call a special meeting in Omaha to discuss the documents.

It was also noted on the Board's agenda was the increase of member fees. Berryman said that he expected the Board to increase membership fees by \$50-100 per year. If more, he would inform the region. This along with the proposed bylaws needs membership approval. Vote is expected at the 2005 annual meeting in April.

Stu Bernstein, Industry Coordinator, gave his report on the Career Fair. The following companies participated in the event:

- Pulte Homes
- Peter Keiwit
- Remcon
- Hensel Phelps
- Holder Construction
- Mortenson
- Lusardi
- CYC Construction
- Oakview Construction
- Nebraska Department of Roads

Bernstein said he envisioned that the various construction organizations (ABC, AGC, DBIA, etc.) would eventually be participating in the event. He hopes that these organizations will bring their construction company membership to the event.

The Competition Coordinator, Bill Strenth reported on the student competition. He mentioned the open positions for the coordinators. The three-year terms have been completed by Strenth and the competition committee (with exception of Stu Bernstein – Residential). Open are the Competition Coordinator and the Commercial, Heavy Highway, and Design/Build committee positions. Strenth indicated that it is the intention of the region to involve as many faculty as possible. He assured the attendees that if anybody that is willing to take a position, he or the committee will assist in the learning process. Nobody volunteered at the meeting. It was asked that those with no office, please think about becoming more involved. If interested, they are to contact Berryman. If nobody volunteers, the current coordinator and committee is willing to continue their service to the student competition.

Short break occurred while Strenth set up a schedule of timers for Saturday's competition. After the schedule was complete, discussion moved to limiting or increasing the number of teams within the competition. After much discussion it was voted to keep the current entry requirements for the competition. Each school is allowed ONE team per division (up to four teams). At this point in time,

schools cannot bring in additional teams beyond this number. It was requested by Berryman that we revisit this item next year.

Under old business, Berryman requested that the regional contacts update the faculty information in the ASC website. He noted that that this server will eventually be replaced by a new "user friendly" website. However, for now, we are still using the current web. He requested that any new faculty contact him if the school's coordinator has not updated the school's info. Berryman has limited web administration access and can assist in some circumstances. Also, he mentioned the changes upcoming in the ASC's publication process. As items come to surface, he will relay to the region. Last year's competition rule changes were updated as requested by the faculty membership. This year it was agreed to eliminate binders, use three hole punch paper, and review the application of PDF files instead of 11x17 paper. It was also requested that next year's competition have a "check list" of submission items for the students and coaches with the intent to lessen time of proposal duplication on Thursday night/Friday wee morning hours.

Under new business, Berryman discussed the Award application process. Currently, there are two applications for the National Teaching award and none for the Outstanding Educator award. Jim Goddard was recognized as the only recipient for the ASC's Educator award in Region IV. It was impressed that the region needs to nominate a deserving faculty for this distinguished award.

Also under new business, Berryman noted that the "Nebraska Contingency" plans to submit a proposal to host the ASC 2008 international conference. He asked that other schools submit proposals to host the conference.

The budget was reviewed. Berryman noted the surplus and asked for suggestions that will allow utilization of those monies. Suggestions were as follows:

- Provide breakfast for the student during competition though hotel buffet vouchers. The same could be done for lunch.
- Printer/printing services for proposal packets.
- An after competition party for the students in the lower levels to "blow off stress".
- Provide faculty development monies to aid in curriculum development.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:47 pm. Bruce Fischer, AIA, invited speaker, then gave a presentation titled "Permitting the Design/Build Process".

Saturday continued with competition presentations and concluded with the awards ceremony. Schools competing this year were Central Missouri State, Kansas State University, Iowa State University, North Dakota State University, Minnesota State University at Moorhead, South Dakota State, Southwest Missouri State University, University of Nebraska – Lincoln, University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha, and University of Northern Iowa.

The 2004 competition winners are as follows:

DESIGN BUILD

Sponsored by **Lusardi Construction**; Assisted by Hensel Phelps

1st place – Iowa State University

Bryan Sandrig
Jeff Elkins
Andrew Rotta
Julie Halvorson
Joe Harris
Emily Prouty

Larry Cormicle, COACH

2nd place – North Dakota State University

Nick Fernstrom
Benjamin Johnson
Dustin Steward
Cody Weaver
Patrick Weller
Sara Grosz

Dr. Gary Smith, COACH

3rd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha

Chris Hartley
Nick Joens
Nick Seeba
Thomas Bode
Jerry Seier

Keith Pedersen, COACH

COMMERCIAL

Sponsored by **Mortenson**

1st place – Iowa State University

Josh Miltenberger

Kirt Schmidt

Seth Roecker

Brian Klemme

Cliff Schafer

Joshua Thrap

Larry Cormicle, COACH

2nd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Gabe Fox

Jesse Volpp

Keith Hilker

Chris Ehlers

Tracy King

Laura Johnson

Dr. Charles Berryman, COACH

Mr. Adam Page, COACH

3rd place – North Dakota State University

Ryan Sather

Jarred Roloff

Brady Helland

Isaac Larsen

Tony Ghilani

Carolyn Sailer

Dr. Gary Smith, COACH

HEAVY HIGHWAY

Sponsored by **Peter Kiewit & Sons**

1st place – Iowa State University

Andrew Grubb
Jamie Crubaugh
Jim Kurth
Nels Overgaard
Scott Cornelius
Eric Jestrab

Larry Cormicle, COACH

2nd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha

Jay Kurtz
Jim Thomson
Bruce Applegate
Steve Cross
Rich Wellendorf
Stan Dulinski

Dr. James Goedert, COACH

3rd place – North Dakota State University

Jeff Mitchel
Toddy Stewart
Nathan Bren
Adam Naastad
Nathan Lotredt
Joel Carlson

Dr. Gary R Smith, COACH

RESIDENTIAL

Sponsored by **Pulte Homes**

1st place – North Dakota State University

Josh Walfoot
Chris Nelson
Scott Stoeckel
Ryan Husfeldt
Heather Thompson
Jesse Rasmusson

Dr. Gary Smith, COACH

2nd place – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Kyle Narjes
Ann Francis
Justin Hernandez
Jim Schneider
Nicole Karr
Jeff Druba

Dr. Charles Berryman, COACH

3rd place – Southwest Missouri State University

Corey Bradley
Linn Curtis
Mike Bildner
Tony Brune
Adam Merritt
Travis Marine

Dr. John Raposa, COACH

REGION IV MID YEAR REPORT

October 1999

The Regional Meeting will be held in conjunction with the St. Louis AGC Chapter CONMART at St. Louis, Missouri during the period of February 15 through 17, 2000. Scholarly papers will be presented and Proceedings will be published.

Concurrent with this meeting will be the Region IV Seventh Annual Student Competition. Three areas of competition areas will be held this year. These areas are Heavy/Highway, Commercial and Design Build. The competition is being modeled on the format that is to be used at the National Student Competition.

Submitted by,

Eugene H. Wright

Region IV Director

REGION IV MID YEAR REPORT

October 1998

The Regional Meeting will be held at the Park Place Hotel at Kansas City, Missouri during the period of February 3 through 5, 1999 Nebraska-Lincoln at Omaha. Scholarly papers will be presented and a Proceedings will be published.

Concurrent with this meeting will be the Region IV Sixth Annual Student Competition. Three areas of competition areas will be held this year. These areas are Heavy/Highway, Commercial and Design Build. The competition is being modeled on the format that is to be used at the National Student Competition.

Submitted by,

Eugene H. Wright

Region IV Director

Faculty Industry Meeting Region IV ASC

Lied Conference Center, Nebraska City, NE

October 28, 2005

Attendees:

Scott Seltveit	MSU Moorhead	Eric Aso	NDSU
Ron Haggin	UNL Omaha	Jim Goddard	KSU
Tom Logan	KSU	Chuck Berryman	UNL
Keith Pedersen	UNL Omaha	Stephon Egger	UNL
Randy Timi	Pittsburg State	John Reposa	Missouri State
Jeff Netsch	Keiwit	Mike Ostund	Keiwit
Stu Bernstein	UNL Omaha	Jerry Stegeman	UNL
David Wahlstrom	SDSU	John Sion	Hensel Phelps
Matt McCaulley	Hensel Phelps	Sung Lee	Keiwit
Chad Paasch	Mortenson	David Clarkson	McCarthy
Craig Mara	Signature	Jeff Clarkson	McCarthy
David McCandless	CMSU	Richard Bruce	CMSU
Bill Strenth	Pittsburg State		

Stu Bernstein called the meeting to order and asked for a review of last year's minutes. He asked the contractors present what the universities could do better. The universities would like to see more participants in the career fair and more teams in the student competition. He asked contractors for their input.

Some of the comments from the industry persons present included:

- The career fair needs to be more effective
- The faculty should try to reinforce to the students that this is also a recruiting event, not just a competition
- It was suggested that companies set up interviews right after the job fair

- The question was asked if it was possible to send out a list of career fair participants to all the schools to promote the career fair before the competition
- It was suggested that students furnish resumes as part of the submittal package. It was discussed that not all students are looking for employment and therefore this may not be a good idea. However, companies would like to get resumes of students who are actively pursuing employment
- Signature Construction stated they are here because of the career fair. They are looking interview and hire people
- Contractors like to see the students under pressure during the competition

There was discussion about whether or not the region would want to coordinate the competition and job fair with the Nebraska state AGC Convention. It is possible that the job fair could grow larger.

Competition Issues

- There was some confusion in some divisions on what size drawings and how many copies should be turned in. Some sponsors dictated or changed what was required. The subject needs to be discussed in the regional faculty meeting.

Region IV ASC Faculty Meeting

Lied Conference Center, Nebraska City, NE

October 28, 2005

Attendees:

Scott Seltveit	MSU Moorhead	Farid Sabongi	MSU Mankato
Ron Haggin	UNL Omaha	Jim Goddard	KSU
Tom Logan	KSU	Chuck Berryman	UNL
Keith Pedersen	UNL Omaha	Ryan Langemeier	MSU Mankato
Randy Timi	Pittsburg State	John Reposo	Missouri State
Larry Cormicle	Iowa State	Stu Bernstein	UNL Omaha
Jerry Stegeman	UNL	David Wahlstrom	SDSU
David McCandless	CMSU	Richard Bruce	CMSU
Bill Strenth	Pittsburg State	Jim Goedert	UNL Omaha

Chuck Berryman called the meeting to order and updated the group on some activities at the national level:

- The ASC is still tied to the AGC for the national competition this year and next year. The national competition will be in Dallas this year and not at the national AGC convention in Palm Springs. The Board will take up the future of the national ASC competition again soon.
- There will be a new incoming President this year. Dave Rogge will assume the duties at the spring national convention.
- Vote passed at national to keep term limits and they are still in effect for the ASC Regional Coordinator position.

Career Fair

- There are 12 participants in the career fair this year. The brochure is on the Region IV website.
- Maybe the goal should be to get 15 to 20 companies at the career fair. The career fair for our region will likely never be as big as the combined western regions.
- It was brought up in the industry meeting that we should try to make it easier for companies to interview students after the career fair.

Student Competition

- Stu Bernstein is stepping down as the career fair coordinator and taking over as the overall student competition coordinator. Bill Strenth has done a great job over the last four years but wants to step down now. Thank you very much Bill for all your hard work.
- Chuck said there are two openings for Division coordinators, residential and design build.
- Chuck stated there may an opening for assistant regional director, depending on what Gary Smith wants to do.
- Richard Bruce volunteered to coordinate the residential division
- Jim Goddard and Scott Seltveit will pick up the design build for a year. Tom Logan might be interested to head up the design build division a year from now.
- Keith Pedersen volunteered to head up the career fair.

Overview of this years competition

- There are 29 teams from 11 schools.
- No complaints from the hotel.
- Sponsorship presentation times need to be established for Saturday.

The 2004 meeting minutes were distributed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

ASC national website

- National website has been recently updated.
- Chuck asked everyone to go in and update their personal information to make sure it is current.
- The national website is a good place for salary information.

New Business

- Question was asked if there was any new information on getting DBIA involved in the national competition. Should we get other national organizations involved?
- Chuck state the AGC has two more years of sponsorship and then the board will have to decide what to do next.

ASC National Awards from last year

- Scott Seltveit received ASC National Outstanding Educator Award
- Stu Bernstein and Bruce ?? received ASC National Teaching Awards
- Chuck is looking accepting nominations this year for both. Details of the awards and nomination procedures are at the national website.

Hosting ASC National

- Ron Haggin of UNL Omaha gave a brief overview of their proposal to host the 2008 ASC national convention.
- Request for proposals from ASC will be coming out soon.
- Theme will be Partnering Techniques and Service Learning.
- They are looking for a lot of interaction with local contractors and are planning a lot of activities.
- They would also like to plan a student conference in conjunction with the national.
- Recent past involvement has ranged from 95 to 160 participants.
- The next ASC national conference will be at Colorado State in April of 2006. Everyone is encouraged to attend since the location is relatively close for all of us.

ASC Journal of Education and Research

- Chuck encouraged everyone to have your university library purchase the Journal.
- This first publication should be out before the April 2006 meeting.
- It will be published 3 times a year.
- A well written paper can get published.
- Position papers can get published.
- The journal is not as restrictive as other publications and Chuck encouraged everyone to get involved.
- The ASC will begin accepting applications soon for a Journal oversight board.

ASC Region IV Budget

- We have a surplus of about \$20,000.
- Revenue from the career fair is about \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year.
- We are still charging teams a \$250 registration fee.
- We are also receiving funding from the AGC chapters of six states totaling about \$5,000.
- Chuck asked if the group present if they would approve the purchase of a DVD recorder. He currently spends about \$1,200 to \$1,400 a year making DVD copies of the presentations. It is currently a 4 step process and takes a lot of manhours. If he could purchase the DVD recorder, he could turn around the copies a lot faster and likely cheaper. There was a motion to approve the purchase of a DVD recorder. It was seconded. There was discussion in which the motion was modified where Chuck could spend up to \$1,500 on a DVD recorder. The motion was approved.
- Jim Goedert asked if the region could purchase microphones for the cameras because sometimes it is very hard to hear the student presentations. Everyone thought this was a good idea and should be done for next year's competition.
- There was a motion to have the region pay for student breakfast on Thursday morning of the competition next year. It gets to be a long day for the students and breakfast would be a good use of the funds. The motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and the motion was passed.

Competition Rules

- Division Coordinators will generate checklists for sponsors and students.
- There was some confusion as to the number of copies, what size, and if color copies are acceptable.
- The region wants to work with employers at the job fair, but the faculty present thought that some parameters should be laid out, specifically not having the judges talk with the students about the problems before their presentations.
- There was a problem reserving next year's conference date. Subsequent to the meeting, Chuck was informed that we have the same weekend next year. He also reserved the last weekend in October for 2007.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Scott Seltveit

ASC Region IV Midyear Meeting
Nebraska City, Nebraska
Meeting Minutes - October 29, 2004

Meeting was called to order at 1:40 pm on October 29, 2004. First order of business was to draw presentation slots for the competition teams. Each coach selected time slot as their team was drawn. Once completed Bill Strength gave an overview of the hotel's room check out and extended stay.

Reporting began with Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director. He provided information on the 41st annual ASC international conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. It will be held on April 6-9, 2005 and hosted by the University of Cincinnati's Construction Science Department. Conference website is located at <http://homepages.uc.edu:8000/~elzarkhm/asc41/main.html> .

Berryman continued by announcing the upcoming November midyear ASC Board meeting in Florida. The agenda for this meeting was reviewed and discussed. The most interest was in the "term limit" clause. It was indicated that the majority of Region IV schools are in favor of keeping the clause. This information is to be relayed to the other Board members. In addition, the Board plans to host a strategic plan. One survey for this event required a listing of "indicators for success" from each region. Due to the quick return date, Berryman submitted items that he thought would be pertinent to the regional membership. Each item was reviewed. Berryman then asked the attendees to review the form and provide any input on these items.

The ASC/AGC national competition agenda item drew discussion. It was noted that the ASC sign another 3 year agreement with AGC, however, the autonomy of each region stays intact. It is up to the region to decide where their winning teams will compete nationally. Gene Wright brought up the fact that DBIA wants to start a national competition with ASC. It was agreed that Wright and DBIA bring back a sponsor proposal. The same was applied to Stu Bernstein and ABC. Once the proposals are received, the Region IV Director will call a special meeting in Omaha to discuss the documents.

It was also noted on the Board's agenda was the increase of member fees. Berryman said that he expected the Board to increase membership fees by \$50-100 per year. If more, he would inform the region. This along with the proposed bylaws needs membership approval. Vote is expected at the 2005 annual meeting in April.

Stu Bernstein, Industry Coordinator, gave his report on the Career Fair. The following companies participated in the event:

- Pulte Homes
- Peter Keiwit
- Remcon
- Hensel Phelps
- Holder Construction
- Mortenson
- Lusardi
- CYC Construction
- Oakview Construction
- Nebraska Department of Roads

Bernstein said he envisioned that the various construction organizations (ABC, AGC, DBIA, etc.) would eventually be participating in the event. He hopes that these organizations will bring their construction company membership to the event.

The Competition Coordinator, Bill Strenth reported on the student competition. He mentioned the open positions for the coordinators. The three-year terms have been completed by Strenth and the competition committee (with exception of Stu Bernstein – Residential). Open are the Competition Coordinator and the Commercial, Heavy Highway, and Design/Build committee positions. Strenth indicated that it is the intention of the region to involve as many faculty as possible. He assured the attendees that if anybody that is willing to take a position, he or the committee will assist in the learning process. Nobody volunteered at the meeting. It was asked that those with no office, please think about becoming more involved. If interested, they are to contact Berryman. If nobody volunteers, the current coordinator and committee is willing to continue their service to the student competition.

Short break occurred while Strenth set up a schedule of timers for Saturday's competition. After the schedule was complete, discussion moved to limiting or increasing the number of teams within the competition. After much discussion it was voted to keep the current entry requirements for the competition. Each school is allowed ONE team per division (up to four teams). At this point in time, schools cannot bring in additional teams beyond this number. It was requested by Berryman that we revisit this item next year.

Under old business, Berryman requested that the regional contacts update the faculty information in the ASC website. He noted that that this server will eventually be replaced by a new "user friendly" website. However, for now, we are still using the current web. He requested that any new faculty contact him if the school's coordinator has not updated the school's info. Berryman has limited web administration access and can assist in some circumstances. Also, he mentioned the changes upcoming in the ASC's publication process. As items come to surface, he will relay to the region. Last year's competition rule changes were updated as requested by the faculty membership. This year it was agreed to eliminate binders, use three hole punch paper, and review the application of PDF files instead of 11x17 paper. It was also requested that next year's competition have a "check list" of submission items for the students and coaches with the intent to lessen time of proposal duplication on Thursday night/Friday wee morning hours.

Under new business, Berryman discussed the Award application process. Currently, there are two applications for the National Teaching award and none for the Outstanding Educator award. Jim Goddard was recognized as the only recipient for the ASC's Educator award in Region IV. It was impressed that the region needs to nominate a deserving faculty for this distinguished award.

Also under new business, Berryman noted that the "Nebraska Contingency" plans to submit a proposal to host the ASC 2008 international conference. He asked that other schools submit proposals to host the conference.

The budget was reviewed. Berryman noted the supplus and asked for suggestions that will allow utilization of those monies. Suggestions were as follows:

- Provide breakfast for the student during competition though hotel buffet vouchers. The same could be done for lunch.
- Printer/printing services for proposal packets.
- An after competition party for the students in the lower levels to “blow off stress”.
- Provide faculty development monies to aid in curriculum development.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:47 pm. Bruce Fischer, AIA, invited speaker, then gave a presentation titled “Permitting the Design/Build Process”.

Faculty Industry Meeting Region IV ASC
Leid Conference Center, Nebraska City
October 29, 2004

Attendees

Chuck Berryman	UNL	Keith Pedersen	UNL-O
Stu Bernstein	UNL-O	Cory Poulsen	Pulte Homes
Richard Bruce	CMSU	Gerald Polamteer	UNI
Walt Broer	AGC NE	John Reposit	SMSU
Joel Douglas	Hensel Phelps	Scott Seltveit	MSU-Moorhead
Scotty Galloway	ASU	Mike Sholders	Hensel Phelps
Jim Goddard	KSU	Gary Smith	NDSU
Chris Hess	Lusardi Const.	Bill Strenth	PSU
Joe Kupersmith	CMSU	Tim Towberman	Mortenson
Tom Logan	KSU	S. Varsavand	UNI
David McCandless	CMSU	Eugene Wright	UNL
Mike McLaren	Kiewit	David Wahlström	SDSU
Jeff Netsch	Kiewit		Oakview Const

ASC Region IV Industry Career Fair (S. Bernstein)

Lack of companies participating Regional Competition should be a bigger draw.

- Request testimonials from contractors
- Individual contacts
- Most companies present reported a fall recruiting schedule. Region IV needs to working to next Fall schedule as soon as possible.
- Someone in each region make a presentation to state AGC
- Next competition Oct 27-29, 2005

Competition Issues (G. Smith)

- Problem Statements
 - Qualifying what they know
 - Care in developing problem statements, coordinators should check to ensure the project is not easily 'found' on web
 - Research here is part of the learning
- Qualification packages
 - Keep 20 page format
 - Suggest 1 page with photos, names, titles, the made up resumes take up valuable space
 - Lightly weighted but a valued learning tool
 - Helps solidify teams
- Grading Format Changes
 - Format changes are ok and sponsors can publish the changes in weights or content when they publish the problem statement. Otherwise the generic format that currently exists can be used
- Request was made this year for a school to enter two teams in one division.
 - After discussion of alternatives (red/blue –red automatic entry, random selection of blue, blue competition on proposals – best proposals present,

no distinction everyone compete based on proposals etc.) decision was to not change the current format. Schools need to pre-select or organize one team per division.

- Additional Industry Sponsor And General Discussion
 - Limit repeat of prequalification information in the proposals. Do not resubmit (we need to check grading format for this also)
 - Volume ok, some bulk added by boilerplate requirements in some proposals
 - Direct teams to NOT paste or tape portions of their submissions together. Max. Sheet size is 11X17 and all oversized pages should be at the back of the submission to aid in reproduction.

Associated Schools of Construction Region IV - Mid-Year Meeting

Meeting Minutes 2/15/03 submitted by Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director

The Region IV midyear meeting was called to order by Chuck Berryman, ASC Region IV Director at 1:30 pm on February 7, 2003 at the Lied Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska. Fifteen faculty were in attendance. They are as follows:

Bill Strenth	Pittsburgh State University
John Reposa	Southwest Missouri State University
Larry Cormicle	Iowa State University
Joe Kupersmith	Central Missouri State
Scott Seltveit	Moorhead State University
Bruce Fischer	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Jim Goddard	Kansas State University
Stuart Bernstein	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Randy Timi	Pittsburgh State University
Gary Smith	North Dakota State University
Roy Schache	Central Missouri State
Mike Zwanziger	University of Northern Iowa
Jim Goedert	University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha
Richard Bruce	Central Missouri State
Chuck Berryman	University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Berryman started the meeting with a report of the Board of Directors meeting in Dallas, Texas. It was reported that much of the meeting surrounded possible options for the national student management competition. The contract with AGC will expire in 2004. The Board would like to see other entities like (DBIA, ABC, CMA, MESC, etc.) to co-sponsor the national competition. The ASC Competition Task Force was given a charge to contact specific individuals to develop proposals for the year 2005. They are to report back at the national meeting with their findings. Other items included the open positions of the ASC Proceedings, Webmaster, and Journals. A committee is currently reviewing applicants. Selection will be announced at the national meeting at Clemson.

Bruce Fischer, ASC Region IV Industry Coordinator reported on the Career Fair. He solicited help for this year's Career Fair, especially in the areas of mailing and contractor contacts. He pointed out that the most time consuming and costly affair was to make the follow-up calls to the eighty plus contractors. He plans to divide these up by areas (ie local contractors with area schools). It would then be a group responsibility to call the respective contractors. He implemented a questionnaire for the contractors to help the "group" enhance next year's Fair. He also utilized the NAHB student organization to help organize and monitor the Fair. Seven (7) companies participated with 21 representatives manning their respective booths. Introduction was made on the participants. They are as follows:

CAREER FAIR 2003

<i>Company Name</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Contact Email</i>
Centex Rodgers, Inc.		
Jack Henry, Office Engineer	850-942-0678	jhenry@ccgmail.com
Greg Leroux, Project Management Sys Trainer		
Sean Saunders, Intern		
Mike Houston, Intern		
Hensel Phelps Construction Co.		
Mike Sholders	970-346-7215	msholders@henselphelps.com
M. A. Mortenson Company		
Monte Amundson	763-287-5638	monte.amundson@mortenson.com
Jeri Bates		
Holder Construction Company		
Bill Headley, Vice President	770-988-3000	bheadley@holder.com

Chad Martin, Project Manager

Adam Page, Project Engineer

Key Construction Inc.

Lisa Wolken, Marketing Coordinator

316-263-9515

lfwolken@keyconstruction.com

Lusardi Construction Co.

Chris Hess, Vice President

760-744-3133

chess@lusardi.com

Kiewit Construction Co.

Becky Golden

402-977-4500

becky.golden@kbg.kiewit.com

Bill Strenth, Region IV Competition Coordinator, reported on the status of the student competition. The first night of the competition had some minor problems with loud students in the middle of the night. It was enough, however, to warrant the issuance of security guard for the duration of our stay. Cost of this has to be paid by ASC. Strenth gave a talk to the students on professional behavior. After this everything proceeded smoothly. After some discussion with the hotel, it was deemed necessary that the next competition would block entire floors to lessen hotel guest disturbances. This would mean that some teams could not acquire adjoining rooms.

Strenth introduced the new sponsor for the commercial division, Centex Rodgers. It was noted by Selveit that the representatives of this company provide the region with high quality judging and professionalism. Discussion arose on communication problems with the new sponsor. This led to Selveit reporting on the meeting with industry earlier in the morning. They encourage the idea to create an industry committee with a maximum of three companies being represented for each division. The idea behind this is to rotate the problem, allow companies to sit as judges, and improve communication. There was a discussion and a general consensus (notwithstanding some opposition) by them to move the competition to the fall. It was also agreed to allow the sponsoring companies to develop their own grading criteria as long as they are within the scope of the competition. Any revised grading criteria

must be submitted to the Competition Committee for final approval. The process has to be completed before the problem statement is posted on the website.

Competition rules came into discussion. It was decided that computer usage can be unlimited and presentation material cannot contain any new content outside of their proposal submission. Next year Strenth will provide each of the teams with fictitious company names and addresses to keep university affiliation anonymous.

Motion by Gary Smith: During the solution stage, the judges are the only ones that can visit the student rooms. The coaches cannot unless they are called in by the judges to help with defective equipment. This rule change would be in force at the next competition. Seconded by Scott Seltveit.

Discussion followed with vote – 15 yes, 0 no. Motion passed

There was some talk about not using the hotel copy machine for proposal duplication. It was noted that it took until the late morning hours for the competition committee to copy 120 sets of submittals (over 4000 sheets). It was eventually determined that it would be best to simply time stamp each sheet of the submitted proposal (only one) and have the students return back by 10:00 am the next morning with their stamped original plus 5 duplicate copies for judge review. After this agreement, several motions came forward:

Motion by Jim Goedert: Increase the number of students per team at the next competition to a maximum of six with a minimum of five presenting their solution to the judges. Seconded by Scott Seltveit.

Discussion followed with vote – 15 yes, 0 no. Motion passed

Motion by Jim Goedert: Move competition to the fall. For this year it would be November 2-4, 2003. Seconded by Jim Goddard.

Discussion followed with vote – 15 yes, 0 no. Motion passed

Motion by Gary Smith: The next ASC Region IV Student Management Competition will include not only commercial, heavy civil, and design build but also a residential component. Seconded by Scott Seltveit.

Discussion followed with vote – 15 yes, 0 no. Motion passed

With the addition of a residential competition and the formation of industry committees, it was determined that the competition committee needed an additional member for residential. Berryman agreed to be the acting residential member until one can be found in our region. The competition was organized as follows:

Competition Coordinator: Bill Strenth

Competition Committee

Design Build: Gary Smith
Commercial: Scott Seltveit
Heavy Civil: Jim Goddard
Residential: Chuck Berryman (acting)

The meeting turned into discussing sponsors in each of the areas for the committee. A list was created by each of the respective committee members. It was re-affirmed during this time that it is our commitment to provide the students with a great learning environment and industry with potential employees. The only way to do this is have the students and industry interact with each other. It was noted that at the next competition, we would like to receive input from the student and industry alike on improving their experience at the ASC Region IV Conference.

Next conference will be this fall, November 2-4, 2003 at the Lied Hotel in Nebraska City. The competition committee has the unrelenting task to post the problem statement and any revised grading criteria BEFORE September 1, 2003.

Berryman distributed financial information that included inflow and outflows for the current year. The budget was discussed along with the competition entry fees. It was agreed to use some of the surplus monies to offset the entry fees by reducing the amount from \$400 per team to \$250. This change will be in effect for November 2003.

No other business was brought forth, so the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 pm.

Bruce Fisher then gave his invited presentation on "Distance Learning Audio/Visual Technologies". The presentation discussed the audio/visual technology that the Construction Management Department at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln uses for distance learning and extending class sizes.

Associated Schools of Construction Region IV Mid-Year Meeting

Meeting Minutes 2/15/02 submitted by Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director

Meeting was called to order by Chuck Berryman, ASC Region IV Director at 11:12 pm on February 15, 2002 at the Lied Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska. Fourteen faculty were in attendance. They are as follows:

Bill Strenth	Pittsburgh State University
John Reposa	South Mankato State University
Mostafa Khattab	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Jack Landers	Central Missouri State
Eugene Wright	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Bruce Fischer	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Jim Goddard	Kansas State University
Keith Pedersen	University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha
Paul Harmon	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Gary Smith	North Dakota State University
Roy Schache	Central Missouri State
Norma Andersen	Central Missouri State
Jim Goedert	University of Nebraska – Lincoln at Omaha
Chuck Berryman	University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Berryman started the meeting with introduction of the Career Fair. Request were made that everybody (including the students) to visit with the contractors.

The Lied Center requested that the coaches and the students put all the furniture back in place after the competition was over.

Berryman gave first official order of business as he presented an overview of the Midyear ASC Board Meeting to the people in attendance. Nominations for any regional awards such as service or teaching needed to be sent, before the end of February, to Berryman, Region IV Director. The upcoming ASC Annual Conference dates were announced as being April 10-13, 2002 in Blacksburg, VA, hosted by Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Registration deadline is March 28th. Online registration is located at <http://www.conted.vt.edu/ssl/construction-reg.htm>. Berryman also gave a quick overview of the Board's concern of having the AGC having to shoulder the burden of sponsoring so many teams at the nationals, especially with next year's AGC meeting being held in Hawaii. The Board discussed possibly taking the Design Build portion of the competition to the national Design Build Institute of America (DBIA). This would reduce the number of teams for the AGC by seven. The Board

wanted input from the regions concerning this matter. This attendants discussed the matter and put forth a motion:

Motion by Jim Goddard of Kansas State to involve other agencies besides the AGC in the national competitions. This was seconded by Bill Strenth of Pittsburgh State University. All in favor – 14; opposed – 0. Motion passed.

Berryman was instructed to report the outcome of the discussion to the ASC Board in the April's business meeting in Blacksburg, VA.

Mostafa Khattab, ASC 2nd Vice President reported on the outcome of the ASC/AGC Competition Task Force meeting in Arizona: Turner Corporation is to replace Centex as 2003 national sponsors in the Commercial Division of the student competition. Granite Construction made their commitment as sponsors until 2004. Next years national ASC/AGC competition will be held in Hawaii. ASC/AGC National Student Management Competition now requires that ALL regions complete their regional competitions by the end of the first week in February.

Bruce Fischer, Region IV Industry Coordinator reported on the Career Fair. Eleven companies participated with 21 representatives manning their respective booths. Introduction was made on the participants. They are as follows:

Ayars & Ayars Construction

Lincoln, Nebraska

Kim Down

Dau Mountney

Landscapes Unlimited

Lincoln, Nebraska

Cesar Martinez

Rhonda McGinnis

Mary Crook

Burns and McDonald

Kansas City, Missouri

Melissa Lavin

Annie Culbertson

Lusardi Construction

San Marcos, California

Chris Hess

Matt Anderson

Cherne Contracting

Minneapolis, MN

Martin K. Eby Construction

Wichita, Kansas

Colleen Koerth

Stewart Epperson

Derek Hansen

Hensel Phelps Construction

Mortenson Company

Denver, Colorado

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Mike Sholders

Monte Amundson

Mike Choutka

Key Construction

Sampson Construction

Wichita, Kansas

Lincoln, Nebraska

Larry Walton

Russel Houlden

Thad Lienemann

Justin Sanford

Peter Kiewit & Sons, Inc.

Omaha, Nebraska

Doug Grewcock

Jenni Jenkins

Jason Danek

Jim Rowings

Fischer handed out his list of duties that will be added to the website under Operational Procedures for Region IV. He requested that the schools provide him with input whether or not they would like to increase the number of contractors attending. He also solicited help for next year's Career Fair, especially in the areas of mailing and contractor contacts. He pointed out that the most time consuming and costly affair was to make the follow-up

calls to the eighty plus contractors. Next year he plans to divide these up by areas (ie local contractors with area schools). It would then be a group responsibility to call the respective contractors. It was planned to implement a questionnaire for the contractors to help the "group" enhance next year's Fair. It was already decided that the start-up times would be later in the day...mid to late morning. Next year plans are to utilize student organizations such as AGC or MESC to help organize and monitor the Fair. There was a general discussion on what to do with the proceeds of the Fair. There was a general consensus to leave the money in the bank for next year and simply reduce the fees accordingly.

Lunchtime approached and the meeting was suspended until 1:00 pm.

Upon resuming the meeting, Jim Goedert, Region IV Competition Coordinator reported on the student competition. He commented on the new web site as a great addition to the competition. He suggested that we add a couple more information boxes on the electronic entry form. Items included team names and email addresses for the coaches. He also requested names of all of the participating students for certificates. Goedert also announced that he would step down as Coordinator due to his new position as Department Chair. He asked the Competition Committee, comprising of Jim Goddard of Kansas State, Gary Smith of North Dakota State, and Scott Selveit of Moorhead State, to select next year's coordinator. The Committee agreed to provide the Regional Director (Berryman) with a new Coordinator within 4 weeks. This time frame was necessary because of the preparation needed to organize next year's event.

Berryman brought up old business that needed attention. He started by asking the contacts in each region to make sure that they updated their faculty on the national ASC web site located at <http://ascweb.org> because this is the year that the Publications Committee will be publishing a hard copy of the directory. He also announced that there still is a call for the Journal of Construction Education editor/publisher. Anyone wishing to take over this position needs to contact Ken Williamson at Texas A&M. Papers and poster board were another agenda item that needed attention. It was concluded, after some discussion, that there is a need for peer reviewed papers at the Regional level. Berryman agreed to send out a call for next year and oversee the peer review process.

New business began with combining Regions III and IV for a type of "super regional" competition. Everybody was receptive to the idea with the exception of one individual. It was determined that we needed more information...ie possible sites, budget, times, etc. Berryman volunteered to pursue an informational quest and bring this data to the region for more

discussion. This discussion eventually lead to competition rules as they are currently applied. Bill Strenth of Pittsburgh State suggested changing the format to working the problem at the respective schools then come to the competition ready to present their solution. This circulated until it was decided by general consensus that the student competition needs to follow the national rules with exception of the pre qualification package and the preliminary problem set. Everybody wanted to keep these intact because it was felt that the students learned a lot because of these items. Rules have been changed accordingly.

The last item of business was the time, date and place of next year's event. All agreed that it would be February 5 – 8, 2003 at the Lied Center in Nebraska City. Berryman verified this time with the hotel. Time, date and location for the 2003 Midyear Region IV Meeting, Career Fair, and the Student Management Competition were set.

No other business was brought forth, so the meeting was adjourned at 2:43 pm.

Associated Schools of Construction Region IV Mid-Year Meeting

Minutes of the Regional Meeting, 2/09/02 submitted by Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director elect

Region IV held its midyear meeting at noon in Nebraska City, NE. A total of 26 faculty from eight regional schools were in attendance. Roll was taken, lunch was ordered and consumed, then the meeting commenced.

Discussion was held on next year's location for the Management Competition. This included monetary concerns, coordination, and location. A motion was made to keep the Competition in Nebraska City with the same rule format. The motion was amended to include that the Completion be held on the first or second week of February 2002. Discussion ensued, amendment held. Vote held, all present were in favor...motion passed.

Some discussion was held for picking an All-Star team vs the winning Region IV team for the National Competition. All agreed that it should be the winning teams in each division that earns the right to advance to the nationals.

Linda Swoboda was asked to chair/coordinate next year's Management competition. She respectfully declined. It was determined that next year's committee would consist of Jim Goddard, Scott Seltveit, Gary Smith, Jim Goedert. Jim Goedert of UNL – Omaha volunteered to be the competition coordinator for 2002.

Some discussion was held for sponsors for the 2002 competition. Companies that were mentioned included Hensel Phelps and Mortonson. Nothing was concluded.

Linda reviewed the list of room complaints from the hotel. Coaches were to "take care" of their respective teams the remaining nights.

A resolution was agreed upon. It simply stated that any excess of funds resulting from the competition would roll into next year's competition and budget.

Some discussion was held on national fees and who was to pay for them. It was understood that the winning teams were suppose to contact their local AGC for the money.

Meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm

Region IV – Minutes : April 8, 2001

Minutes of the Annual Regional Meeting submitted by Chuck Berryman, Region IV Director

Region IV held its annual meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm in Denver, CO. A total of 8 faculty from four Region IV schools were in attendance.

A discussion of the student competition was the first order of business. Faculty from Pittsburgh State were concerned with the costs associated the the competition, the requirement for equipment travel (i.e. computers), and the amount of time consumed during the competition. It was suggested to run a job fair in conjunction with the competition, shorten time frame, and to do the problem solution on a designated campus instead of a hotel...all would aid in offsetting the cost to students.

Nothing was concluded with these items, so it determined that the region needed a committee to review the rules. Since the competition coordinator and the competition committee has been already established, it was agreed that they should review the competition rules and report back at the midyear board meeting in February 2002.

Company sponsorship was the next item brought before the members. The question was how we could position ourselves with industry to provide the competition with more funding sources. Several members noted the success of Region 6 and 7 combining resources and wondered if we could do the same. It was noted that Region 3 and 5 have already expressed interest in working on a joint venture for the student competition. It was agreed that we need more information in the form of organization, funding, budgets, etc. Chuck Berryman and Linda Swoboda agreed to do the numbers and report back at the midyear board meeting in February 2002.

Berryman opened the floor requesting a suggested date and activities list for the next meeting. It was agreed to have the midyear meeting on Thursday or Friday afternoon/evening during the student competition. Suggested activities were faculty presentations (paper or invite), invited speakers, committee reports...all with a possible dinner (if budget allowed).

Meeting adjourned at 3:02 pm