MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2009  
REGION IV ASC MEETING

Region IV held its annual meeting at the 45th Annual International Conference Thursday April 4th, 2009 in Gainesville, FL. Region IV Associate Director Richard Bruce called the meeting to order at 9:25 am. Scott Seltveit, Region IV Director could not attend due to the Red River flooding.

Members present: Chuck Berryman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Brian Bowers, Southeast Missouri State University; Richard Bruce, Missouri State University; Richard Gebken, Missouri State University; Ron Haggin, University of Nebraska-Omaha; Farid Sabongi, Minnesota State University-Mankato; Bill Strenth, Pittsburg State University; Brian Wasserman, Minnesota State University-Mankato.

Quorum results: No quorum achieved. Only 6 out of the 15 Region IV schools were represented.

Approval of Minutes
Bruce reviewed the minutes of the Fall 2008 meeting

Old Business
1. Bruce urged members to update their personnel files on the ASC website.
2. Berryman updated status of changes to ASC data collection system on website to gather credit hour information, FTE’s, salary data, etc.
3. Bruce urged people to ensure that their institution has a subscription to IJcer.
4. Berryman told region IV people about contacting CII (Manny Ramirez) about using their information in courses.
5. Berryman updated stats of ARRAY by Delmar learning. ASC committee is currently working through the copyright issues and the contracts.

New Business
Bruce passed around an agenda and the group discussed the following:
A. Adding to or enhancing the traditional 4 divisions at the regional conference to include BIM, LEED, and Tunneling, for instance, as their own divisions.
B. Limiting the region competition to just presenting the solution. Strenth noted that it would be cheaper to send teams for 1 night versus 3 nights. A fully electronic submission was also discussed.
C. Changing the placing of teams from 1st, 2nd, and 3rd to ranking in levels. Each division might have only one level 1, but they could have multiple level 2’s and 3’s. Gebken noted that MSU would probably not send teams if it went to this format due to the loss of bragging rights for winners. He noted that it would be unclear to advisory boards, administration, and other university stakeholders.
D. Changing the format of the national competition. Just like this year, next year’s regional winners may decide to attend the AGC national convention or not attend. Berryman discussed the International Student Competition (ISC) idea (conference attendees received an informational handout) where Region IV would join Region VI and VII in a national competition.
E. The group did not feel as though any of these items or options were defined enough to vote on at this time even if we had a quorum. Haggin suggested Bruce poll member schools to determine interest and timing in these issues. Bruce agreed and said that he would create a survey to send to Region IV members.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 10:27 am.