## Note, All Motions were voted on and accepted unanimously except noted otherwise.

Called to Order: Steve Van Dyke 5:30 pm

**Attendees:** Steve Van Dyke, Mike Sheehan, Peter Caruso, Neil Dixon, Marty Helly, and guests, Lynne Feraco (WPI), Stephanie Murphy (WPI), Tahar El-Korchi (WPI), Steven VanDessel (WPI)

## 1. Scholarship:

1. We met with members of WPI, Lynne Feraco, Stephanie Murphy, Tahar Elkorchi, Steven Van Desser, to learn about their scholarship program and what would happen if we endowed any of our scholarship funds with them. Here is a brief summary of the questions we asked and our future concerns when we meet with the Worcester Foundation, as recapped by Marty:

#### What's the minimum for them to handle the funds for us?

\$50,000 for WPI for a perpetual gift.

## Is the handing the funds ever revocable?

Basically no.

## Do we have any part in the selection?

For WPI, we establish minimum criteria/preferences, but have no input on selection of the student.

#### Do we have a chance for interaction with the student?

For WPI we will be given their name and a report. There is also a large donor/recipient event. Not the same as our presenting the award.

## Do we control the amount/duration of the scholarship?

WPI handles the funds in bulk within their endowment. The endowment attempts to give away slightly less than the income each year so that it continues to grow.

It appears we could specify that we want the student to be given the same amount each year for a four (or a five year period if the student is in a five year program?) period but this is not their normal process.

#### What schools would students be eligible to use the money for?

Obviously with WPI it is only WPI.

This isn't completely a negative as a student at WPI in any of the architectural/civil/structural/fire protection programs is in a construction related discipline and studying in Worcester.

In principle that would meet the criteria of what we're trying to support.

But it would preclude most of our traditional candidates coming from members, friends and family of CSI and tournament participants, unless we give only a portion to WPI, and the rest to another foundation.

#### Where can the students come from?

At WPI the answer is anywhere, and only a small percentage would be from the local area.

2. We will be inviting the Worcester Foundation to present their ideas at a future meeting.

## 2 Reviewed Minutes from the last Board Meeting:

Motion to accept June Minutes as submitted

# 3 Treasurers Report:

1. Steve will ask Mike L if it is ok to sweep excess funds into the Scholarship Account from the Operating Account.

## 4. Programs.

- 1. September- Scavenger Hunt (Steve). Marty will get this accredited. We need to make calls.
- 2. Oct- Commercial Development and Planning, City of Worcester. Marty will reach out to Mike Traynor Roland has also reached out and has Mike's Bio. We need a flyer.
- 3. Nov- Marty and Pete will organize the program "Where Roof Meets The Wall". It will be a panel discussion, moderated by Marty and will include reps from Envelope (Commissioned Agents) Harry Porier (Sarnafl), Mark Hogan (Fontaine) along with Joe Iaccarino(Rockwell Roofin) and Chris Paszko(GRLA)
- 4. Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party Terri will give us a review of potential venues.

## **Topics Discussed at Bancroft Tower:**

- 1. Specs: lessons learned from poor project manuals or discussion on whether specs will not exist in the future.
- 2. Labor: the shortage of skilled labor and its impact on the construction industry.
  - Marty will talk to Paul Doherty a "smart construction" expert.
  - Pete will talk with Jack Moran, a BIM Expert
- 3. Historical: Where to begin when you're tasked with working on a historical building, and renovation techniques preferred by the Historical Commissions
- 4. Jan- Code: A Jeopardy-type game involving the code requirements of door hardware. Reach out to Scott Tobias.
- 5. Residential Construction permitting, and what the current code requires. Pete will contact Patti Sheehan, Shrewsbury Building Inspector.
- 6. Feb- Spray fireproofing, possibly include a live performance demo at WPI's Burn Lab. Craig Boucher-Monocoat Fireproofing

#### **Old Topic Ideas:**

- 1. May- Holy Name Turbine- possible May- Steve
- 2. Michelle Roberts Insulated Concrete Forms and Dryvit Bricks
- 3. David Allor- OMG Roofing Products

#### 5. Newsletter:

- 1. Marty noted that we shouldn't list "TBA" for programs on the newsletter.
- 2. Update listing of Board

## 6. Membership:

1. Are we currently seeking new BOD Member Candidates to fill vacancies? Ongoing discussion.

#### 7. Other Business

1. October BOD Meeting at Reunion Tap and Table Grafton. Mike S will reserve this.

## 8.. Next Meeting:

Oct,2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Adjourned 7:02pm 1<sup>st</sup> Neil 2<sup>nd</sup> Marty

Respectfully submitted: Michael Sheehan.