Minutes of the Board of Directors of the Western Chapter of NASTT

Wednesday April 6, 2005, 10:00 am

1. Introduction – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sam Ariaratnam at 10:10 am. Members in attendance Sam Ariaratnam, Chair
   Paul Reilly, Treasurer
   John Boehm, Secretary
   Jennifer Glynn
   Dave Mathy

2. NASTT Board Activities - Sam provided a short update on NASTT activities and explanation of Student Chapter function and funding (provide $1000 Chapter expense, $1000 travel). He also discussed his efforts to have another No-Dig in the west. After discussing various cities in the west. The Board recommended that he bring up the following in the order we felt would be most appropriate.
   Palm Springs, CA
   Phoenix, AZ
   San Diego, CA
   Las Vegas, NV
   Sacramento, CA

3. Current NASTT Training Courses – Sam opened discussion about the various training courses that NASTT offers (HDD 1 ½ day, Bursting 1 day, CIPP 2 day) and explained how there can be “profit” sharing with the Chapters that locally sponsor them (CCCS might be interested in using their location). We determined that with the upcoming demand for trenchless work in Southern California we would look into trying to do this in So Cal or Las Vegas this fall.

4. & 5. Possible Mid-Year Conference/ Western Chapter Path forward – The next item on the agenda was the potential for the Chapter to organize a Mid-Year Conference. After much discussion it was determined that we would attempt a 1-½ day conference in Phoenix early the 2nd week of November. We would try to use at least ½ papers for the National conference while providing an opportunity for some local papers, and then end with at least one of the NASTT classes.
   We then discussed how we would make this known (Members, ASCE APWA chapters), look for small sponsorships and provide a mixer.

6. Other Business – Sam also mentioned that NASTT is always in need of 200 word articles to publish.

7. Adjourn to Orlando.

Submitted by John C. Boehm, Secretary