

# ACCE NEWS

## Elected Officers

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## Organiza-



## ACCE Elects a new Board Chair and



John Gaver was elected as the 21st Board Chair of ACCE at our Annual Meeting in July 2013. As Executive Vice President of Wehr Constructors, Inc. John oversees the Florida Office and is a strong supporter of and advocate for excellence in Construction Education. John has served on the ACCE Board of Trustees for 6 years, been an active member of the Long Range Planning, Executive, Accreditation, Guidance, Dupree Education Fund, and Masters Degree Accreditation Committees, and participated on various accreditation visits at 7 programs—serving as chair of the Visiting Team on 3 of those visits. John takes on the task of guiding ACCE through the current reorganization process, as well as the changes to ACCE Standards as we move toward outcome based assessment.

Allan Hauck is now serving ACCE as the Vice Board Chair and brings many years of experience and knowledge and maintains a strong commitment to our mission of accrediting quality construction education programs and being a global advocate. Al has served on our Board of Trustees for 9 years and most recently served as the Board Secretary. He has served on our Executive, Long Range Planning, Nominating, and Standards Committees, as well as the Learning Outcomes and Self Assessment Task Forces. He comes to ACCE from California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo where he is Department Head and Professor. We have long appreciated his talents and contributions and look forward to the years ahead.



## ACCE Re-organization Changes

As we move forward with the approved ByLaw Changes resulting from the re-organization process, there will be changes in names and titles of individuals and committees you need to be aware of. Some of those changes include:

<u>Individuals</u>		<u>Committees</u>	
<u>Former</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Former</u>	<u>New</u>
Board President	Board Chair	Long Range Planning	Strategic Planning
Board Vice President	Board Vice Chair	Nominating	Leadership Development
Executive Vice Pres.	President	Non Degree Recognition	Recognition
		Masters Degree Accreditation merge with Accreditation	

# Focus On

A Message from Executive Vice President, Michael M. Holland

Ideas do not get anything done – action does. Thoughts do not create or maintain an operation or organization – people do. Talk only begins the possibility of reality – people make it so.

As noted in another article in this newsletter, Mark Benjamin passed away September 29, 2013. We met his son Luke a couple of times, in Mobile and in Providence. Mark was a tremendous supporter of ACCE in many ways, some of which he did not want noted. I got to know Mark initially as a fellow industry member of ACCE in the early 90's; he encouraged me to go on visiting teams and to stay engaged more than the Thursday-Friday schedule (as a practitioner, I did not stay for the Saturday board meetings). Then I continued our acquaintance as I transition into the EVP role at ACCE. We became good friends when Mark became Vice-president and then President of ACCE in 2003, serving in those 2 roles through 2007. I came to respect his contributions to ACCE in so many ways. I will miss his friendship and always value his guidance.

Some felt Mark had an agenda – if he did, it was not selfish; it was only to inspire others to continually improve the quality of construction education so his firm could depend on hiring quality construction managers and for his

competition to have educated employees, which then provided a more level playing ground.

Mark had many interests and had the resources to follow his curiosities and his heart. The outdoors; the universe; his family were where Mark spent his time. ACCE had his heart: Mark gave us 8 personal days a year, days that could have been with family, or the great outdoors. Mark gave us mental time: every month, Mark would block out 2-3 hours or more to think of goals and work on projects, the last one being the reorganization of our by-laws to help us in our future growth and challenges as the world changes.


It is this type of commitment and effort that makes an organization function and maintain its vision and momentum. It is only with such a dedication that organizations continue their successful operations. ACCE is blessed to have had Mark's passion for quality education and his personal involvement.

ACCE has had others who helped take this idea of quality construction education – recognition and respect for the professional constructor that began within the construction industry and the academic world. There are many, many others who began to put this idea of professionalism into action and should also be remembered (this is certainly not a complete list):

Walter Nashert  
A. C. Breckenridge  
Gerald McLindon  
Dan Mardian  
Thurman Potts  
Dorsey Moss  
Gene "Stubby"  
Thorson  
Sandy Blumenthal

Ted Benning  
Dick Kafonek  
Bill Barnes  
Vern Hastings  
Al Bryski  
Chuck Swenson  
Mike O'Dea  
Carol Kuecker  
Susan Carson  
Dusty Hodges  
Steve Byrne

ACCE is the result of our forefathers knowing that an engineering education did not prepare a person to run a construction project or a construction company and that constructors and construction managers are professionals and deserve the recognition as a professional. The Council will continue to promote quality construction education and will continue to benefit from those who share the same values and passion. We must rejoice those who have gone before us, those who are with us and work shoulder-to-shoulder as we strive for the same goals as those who started this journey.



## Non Degree Recognitions—2013

### Renewals:

**Alliance Safety Council** — Certified Occupational Safety Specialist Program

**NAHB** — Certified Green Professional and Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist

**NAWIC Education Foundation** — Certified Construction Associate Program

### Initial:

# ACCE Leadership

**John Gaver — Board Chair**  
**Allan Hauck — Board Vice Chair**  
**Robert Meyer — Treasurer**  
**(Any Volunteers?) — Secretary**



## Current Board of Trustees

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## Committee Leadership

### Committee

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 Dr. Mostafa Khattab

Professor Scott Sumner  
 Dr. Angela Guggemos

# ACCE Awards and Recognition

## Founders Award 2013

### Skanska USA Building Inc.

The 2013 Founder's Award was given to Skanska USA Building Inc., Orlando, Florida. As it has for many years, Skanska's Central Florida regional executives continue to reach out to provide resources and mentoring to students and others interested in becoming leaders in our industry. Specifically, Skanska provided invaluable involvement to Seminole State College as they build their baccalaureate construction program and are credited with helping maintain their early success. Some of the activities in which Skanska Central Florida assisted this process include:

- Guest lectures at SSC and Lyman High School Engineering Magnet program covering topics from codes and specifications to scheduling, contracts, and marketing, as well as resume building and interview skills.
- Hosted 25 students at an Owner, Architect, Contractor meeting at Nemours Children's Hospital, including a job site tour.
- Hosted accredited summer session co-op for 12 students at the SSC Construction Site (encompassed ten 3-hour class sessions, two hours of classroom discussion and one hour lab in the field).
- Hosted a Project Management Simulation game where students work in teams to experience many of the activities, decision-making, and outcomes that occur during the course of managing a construction project.
- Project Management job-shadowing for SSC students (three days).
- Hired nine internships for SSC students to work on active construction projects.
- Participated in Seminole State career fairs and student chapters of professional organizations such as USGBC Green Trade.
- Participation on Advisory Committees.

In 2012, Skanska collaborated with others in the construction industry to found the Supply Chair Sustainability School, a virtual learning environment aiming to help construction suppliers and subcontractors develop their sustainability knowledge and competence. Ongoing industry partner education programs include Skanska's Mentor-Protégé and Construction Management Building Blocks® (CMBB) programs; both focus on mentoring and assisting small and newly developing businesses. Skanska also participates in ACE Mentor Programs across the country.

In 2009 Skanska formed an Innovation Group focused on improving technology – and its use – in the field. Over the past few years, this group has developed numerous apps advancing project management efficiency and effectiveness, including safety apps, a Leak Prevention app, and InSite Monitor device and Digital Resource Stations.

Skanska has been a special friend and supporter of Construction Education all across the country and we are proud to honor them with the award for 2013.

### Dupree Education Scholarship Award—2013

### Dupree/National Housing Endowment Scholarship Award—2013

In August, ACCE was very pleased to award one Dupree Education Scholarship and one Dupree Education/National Housing Endowment Scholarship to Graduate Degree students interested in pursuing a career in teaching at an ACCE accredited program.

The Dupree Educational Scholarship was awarded to Mike Duff from Texas A&M University.

The Dupree Construction Education/National Housing Endowment Scholarship was awarded to Heidi Wagner from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Congratulations to both of these young professionals. We wish them well in their future careers. We also look forward to seeing their participation with ACCE in the future.

# Around ACCE

- Florida International University** and Tsinghua University students team up for Solar Decathlon China 2013. In September 2011, under the direction of **Irtishad Ahmad**, discussions of details for a collaboration with the team at Tsinghua University started. For nearly 2 years, a group of about 20 students and faculty from FIU communicated with a team of more than 50 students in China via Skype, phone and email and sharing documents on Dropbox to work on the design of a house approximately 800 square feet in size that was energy efficient, cost-effective and attractively solar-powered. In August 2013, the FIU-Tsinghua University finished fifth among 20 teams from around the world in the competition. The team earned top honors in four of the five measured contests – including first place in Comfort Zone, full points for Energy Balance and Hot Water; second place in the suite of competitions that makes up the Home Entertainment contest; third place in Solar Applications; fourth place in both Architecture and Market Appeal; and fifth place in Engineering. Congratulations to FIU students and faculty on a truly international experience!
- The NCES, or National Center for Educational Statistics, is tasked with compiling an immense database of information on our nationwide network of colleges and universities. One of the measurements that the NCES looks at is the graduation rate among all of the different degree and certificate programs at domestic colleges and universities. This figure allows the NCES to gauge the popularity and strength of a variety of educational programs at these places of learning. The most recent published information of their Top Ten Construction Management programs included several of our programs, which we are proud to share: **Louisiana State University, Arizona State University, Wentworth Institute of Technology, Ferris State University, Gwinnett Technical College, University of Wisconsin, Stout, Southern Polytechnic State University, and the University of Washington.** Congratulations to all!
- Dr. John Schaufelberger**, University of Washington, was recently appointed Dean of the College of Built Environments. In being appointed, Provost Cauce stated, “John is a very solid and capable leader and understands so many aspects of the several disciplines involved in shaping our built environments. He is the right person to move the college forward.
- University of North Florida** has signed an undergraduate exchange program agreement with the EPF Graduate School of Engineering, located in Paris, France. The reciprocal agreement provides for an exchange of students between the two schools, while students seek degrees at their home institutions. EPF Ecole d’Ingenieurs was founded in 1925 and was one of the first engineering schools in France to admit women. EPF has been co-educational since 1994.



**ACCE Visitor Training** is offered at all AC-

meetings. Our basic training requirements to participate in our Visiting Teams is listed at right:

**I. Initial Training**  
Held at all ACCE Mid-year and Annual Meetings for all new visitors. Training is good for 3 years.

**II. MIT Visit**  
After completing Initial Training, you can participate on a team visit as a Member-in-Training.

**III. Advanced Training + Case Studies**  
Held at both ACCE Mid-year and Annual Meetings. Required AFTER everyone completing an MIT Visit, BEFORE being a full VT member. Also for all Full Members needing to retrain. MUST include the Case study segment.

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**IV. Full Member**  
Participation in Team visits as a Full member. MUST RETRAIN EVERY 3 YEARS

**V. Chair with 3 full member visits**  
All full members who have participated as such on 3 Visiting Teams become eligible to participate as Chairs.

**VI. Chair Training + Case Studies**  
Held only at the Annual Meeting. Required of all newly qualified chairs, prior to chairing a Team. ALL CHAIRS MUST RETRAIN EVERY 3 YEARS.



# Visiting Team Agenda

## Fall 2013

*We would like to say a special "Thank You" to all our ACCE Visiting Team Members for sharing their time and expertise to complete our Mission.*

### Undergraduate Degree Programs:

#### Alfred State College

Jim Carr, Chair  
John Schmidt  
Walter Lehner

#### Florida International University

Michael Emmer, Chair  
Jay Christofferson  
Marty Garza  
Pat Crawford, MIT  
Michael Staley, MIT

#### State Fair Community College

Fred Hart, Chair  
Greg Pakieser  
Ed Wygnal

#### California State University, Fresno

David Mattson, Chair  
Scott Sumner  
Souhail Elhouar  
Derrek Dunn, MIT  
Jose Mery, MIT

#### North Carolina A&T State University

Cheryel Goodale, Chair  
Brian Wasserman  
Don McCollister  
Jim Lynch, MIT  
Sean Regan, MIT

#### University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Roger Liska, Chair  
Dianne Kay Slattery  
Gordon Marshall



## Spring 2014

Auburn University  
Lamar University  
University of Nevada, Las Vegas

California Polytechnic State University  
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore  
University of North Florida

# Accreditations

At the July 27, 2013 meeting, the Board of Trustees granted the following accreditations:

### Renewal of Accreditation

#### Undergraduate Degree Programs:

##### Boise State University

Construction Management Dept.  
Dr. Robert Hamilton, Chair

##### Clemson University

Department of Construction Science & Management  
Dr. Roger W. Liska, Department Chair

##### Jefferson State Community College

Department of Construction Building Science  
Professor Micah Kaufhold, Director

##### North Lake College

Construction Management Program  
Mr. Mike Cooley, Executive Dean

##### Pennsylvania College of Technology

Construction Management Program  
Professor Wayne Sheppard, Department Head

##### Purdue University

Building Construction Management  
Dr. Bryan Hubbard, Department Head

##### University of Washington

Department of Construction Management  
Dr. John Schaufelberger, Dean

##### Wentworth Institute of Technology

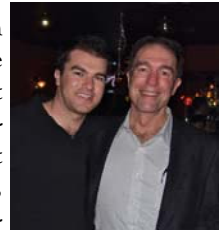
Department of Civil, Construction and Environment  
Professor Scott Sumner, Department Chair

##### Western Kentucky University

Architectural & Manufacturing Science Department  
Dr. Ahmed Khalafallah, Program Coordinator

## ACCE loses a dear friend and strong advocate

Mark Benjamin, President and CEO of Santa Monica-based Morley Builders, died on September 29, 2013 in a tragic airplane accident that also took the life of his son Lucas Robert Benjamin. Mark was doing what he loved most, but was certainly taken from us too early. The amount of time, talent, and commitment that Mark gave to the growth and importance of construction education and the role that ACCE plays in that mission was remarkable. Mark served on the ACCE Board of Trustees for 16 years, serving as the Vice President and President for 4 of those years. He also served on the Accreditation, Executive, Dupree Education Fund, Long Range Planning, and Nominating Committees. His leadership on the reorganization process that ACCE is currently undertaking has been immeasurable. Without his thoughtful, thorough, and patient approach, we would never have made it to the point that we are — embarking on making the necessary changes and moving forward. In addition to his continuing leadership within ACCE, his generosity was felt by his support of the Dupree Scholarship Fund, allowing graduate students to achieve their graduate degrees and pursue a career in construction management education at our accredited programs. The outreach of the Morley Foundation has certainly touched many lives, both directly and indirectly. We feel blessed to have had Mark in our lives and his presence will be missed by all.



ACCE has enjoyed several changes in our contact individuals at accredited programs in 2013. We appreciate the work that these individuals do to fulfill requirements and various tasks related to maintaining good communication with the ACCE headquarters offices:

Alfred State College	Jeffrey Marshall	Arizona State University	Allan Chasey
Auburn University	Richard Burt	Ball State University	James Jones
Boise State University	Robert Hamilton	Bowling Green State University	Travis Chapin
Bradley University	Souhail Elhouar	Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo	Allan Hauck
Cal State Chico	Rovane Younger	Cal State Fresno	Manoochehr Zoghi
Cal State Long Beach	Tang Hung Nguyen	Cal State Northridge	Mohamed Hegab
Cal State Sacramento	Mikael Anderson	Central Connecticut State Univ	Jacob Kovel
Central New Mexico CC	David Ruff	Central Washing University	Warren Plugge
Cincinnati State Technical & CC	Tom Burns	Clemson University	Roger W. Liska
College of DuPage	Jane Ostergaard	Colorado State University	Mostafa Khattab
Columbus State CC	David Busch/Dean Bortz	Drexel University	Robert Muir
East Carolina University	David Batie	Eastern Kentucky University	Wayne Reynolds
Eastern Michigan University	James Stein	Edmonds Community College	David Jacobson
Ferris State University	Suzanne Miller	Florida International University	Irtishad Ahmad
Georgia Institute of Technology	Daniel Castro	Georgia Southern University	Mike Jackson
Illinois State University	Richard Boser	Indiana State University	Lee Ellingson
Jefferson State CC	Micah Kaufhold	John Brown University	Jim Caldwell
Kansas State University	James Goddard	Louisiana State University	Charles Berryman
Michigan State University	Scott Witter	Michigan Technological Univ	John Daavetilla
Milwaukee School of Engineering	Blake Wentz	Minnesota State Univ Mankato	Brian Wasserman
Minnesota State Univ Moorhead	Scott Seltveit	Missouri State University	Neal Callahan
North Carolina A&T State Univ	Robert Pyle	North Dakota State University	Yong Bai
North Lake College	Mike Cooley	Northern Arizona University	Bridget Bero
Northern Kentucky University	Ihab M. H. Saad	Oregon State University	David Rogge
Pennsylvania College of Tech	Wayne Sheppard	Purdue University	Bryan Hubbard
Roger Williams University	Frederick Gould	Santa Fe College	William Faulk
SIAST Palliser	Roderick Stutt	South Dakota State University	Teresa Hall
Southern Illinois Edwardsville	Chris Gordon	Southern Polytechnic State Univ	Khalid Siddiqi
State Fair Community College		SUNY Delhi	Stephen McKeegan
Texas A&M	Joe Horlen	Texas State University	Gary Winek
University of Alaska Anchorage	Donald Ketner	University of Arkansas Little Rock	Jim Carr
University of Central Missouri	David McCandless	University of Cincinnati	Hazem Elzarka
University of Florida	Robert Ries	University of Houston	Neil Eldin
University of Louisiana Monroe	Keith Parker	Univ of Maryland Eastern Shore	Derrek Dunn
University of Nebraska	Bruce Fischer	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	Donald Hayes
University of New Mexico	Mark Russell	University of North Florida	Mag Malek
University of Oklahoma	Tamera McCuen	University of Southern Mississippi	John Hannon
University of Washington	John Schaufelberger	University of Wisconsin, Stout	Peter Schlosser
Virginia Polytechnic Institute	Yvan Beliveau	Washington State University	Jason Peschel
Weber State University	Steve Peterson	Wentworth Institute of Technology	Scott Sumner
Western Carolina University	Michael Smith	Western Kentucky University	Ahmed Khalafallah



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**American Council for Construction Education  
Spring 2014 Meetings**

**Mid Year Meeting 2014  
Tampa, Florida  
February 19—22**

***ACCE Mid Year Meeting Registration  
Deadline is January 28  
Please encourage your colleagues in***



**Construction Programs  
Industry Advisory Board  
Best Practices Workshop  
Tampa, Florida  
February 19**

***Early Registration Deadline is December 21***



**Quorum Tampa Westshore**

**Hotel Reservation Deadline  
January 28, 2014  
Please call 813-289-8200  
and ask for the ACCE rate**

***Please encourage your colleagues in the Tampa area to attend!***

**ACCE Founder's Award** Nominations for the year January 1, 2013—December 31, 2013 must be received no later than May 19, 2014. For further information check the Awards button on our website or call 210.495.6161



**Dupree Education Scholarship and Dupree Construction/NHE Education Scholarship**  
ACCE will offer a scholarship of up to \$5,000 to a practitioner who is enrolled in a post-graduate program with the intent to enter into a career as a faculty member in an ACCE-accredited Construction Management Program. Information is available on the website or the ACCE national office. **Deadline is May 5, 2014, with notification by August 2014.**