

ACCE NEWS

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ACCE Moving Forward — Challenges for All

ACCE was brought to life in 1974 by caring educators, industry professionals and various industry related Associations. Over the years we have grown and changed to meet the demands of changing times and continue to serve our mission to be a leading global advocate of quality construction education programs; and to promote, support, and accredit quality construction education programs. The primary goal is promotion and continued improvement of postsecondary construction education.

To this end, we have seen many changes and improvements and we have also seen many dedicated and imaginative thinkers provide their time, efforts, and talents to make certain we remain relevant and connected to the industry we serve by providing the very best graduates possible. Today we are on the beginning edge of making such a change in our approach to the standards governing accreditation actions. It has been a very deliberate and productive path taken, and many individuals have invested much to make it happen. At this point there is still work to be done to get all our programs and all future programs up to speed with the new processes so all graduates are in the very best position to jump into their new careers and make strong impacts on the industry.

Our Board of Trustees, with its new make up to provide equal representation to industry and education, met in early November for a weekend of evaluating, discussions and planning for the future path ACCE must take. Twenty-five individuals gave of their time to work through the beginning steps to take. Those steps are in motion now and will continue to provide guidance throughout our upcoming meetings. We need to do much to improve what we are offering for our members, our programs, and our future leaders to insure the long term growth and success of ACCE. There will be many opportunities for everyone interested in impacting our mission to take part and make a difference.

Along with our overall planning needs to meet changes in our industry, the Standards produced by the Standards Committee are approved and set in motion. There are 4 pilot programs taking part in accreditation visits in the fall of 2015 and another 4 programs electing to use the new standards for their visits in the spring 2016. This will help iron out any bugs in the process and provide guidance when the new Standards are in place for all visits in the fall 2016.

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Focus On

A Message from President, Michael M. Holland

Strategy - a plan of action or policy designed to achieve a major or overall aim.

Retreat - a place you can go to be alone, to get away from it all.

Yes, our Board of Trustees found a place to be alone with each other and create a plan of action to achieve an overall aim for ACCE. During the second weekend of November, 25 Board members and others gathered in the DFW area and spent over a day and a half in focusing on the future of ACCE. Using the Strengths, Weaknesses Threats and Opportunities analysis developed by a task force of the Strategic Planning Committee (fka Long Range Planning), this group work session was facilitated by Christa Slejko, President of North Lake College and was assisted by 2 of her co-workers, George Marquez and Lorri Hill. The facilities were donated by Mike Cooley, Executive Dean of the North Campus of North Lake.

The result of the long work day(s) was an outline of a plan to address some of the issues brought up by the Board which focus on both internal and external topics:

- * Improve Client Products and Services
- * Improve Internal Leadership Development Processes

- * Grow all Categories of Membership and Accredited Programs
- * Promote Constructor Professionalism

The benefits that I see from this tremendous effort include: the Board getting together and focusing on a topic for more than 2 hours. The focus and sharing of ideas, concepts, concerns and perspectives allowed the new Board to grow together as a working body, respecting each other's opinion and voice and gaining a feel of what really is ACCE.

Also, the fact that the Board worked on the goals and visions for the future rather than a couple of people on a task force creates ownership of the goals.

Just as important, the Board is responsible for achieving/ accomplishing these goals. That is what a board is to do – not just vote – they are the owners of ACCE – they are the shareholders – in the trust of the public that allows our Council to exist.

So, the future is that the Board members who took on the responsibility of one or more of the

goals will now work as teams to move the topics forward. They are accountable to themselves and to the other members of the Council. They will recruit/draft other members of the Board that could not join the retreat and may recruit others outside of the Board; that allows the ownership and responsibility to stay with the Board and include others. This is part of Leadership Development, including others and for others to participate. When you get a chance to participate in the actions plans of the strategic goals, objectives and task, go for it – help “get 'er done” (as we say in Texas).

ACCE is better as a result of the continued support, participation and contributions of the time and talents of our many volunteers. Our heart-felt thanks for all that support ACCE in so many ways. The Board is an important part – the strategy, goals and vision are important – and there is nothing more important than the individuals who make these contributions.



ACCE loses a strong advocate and friend to construction education

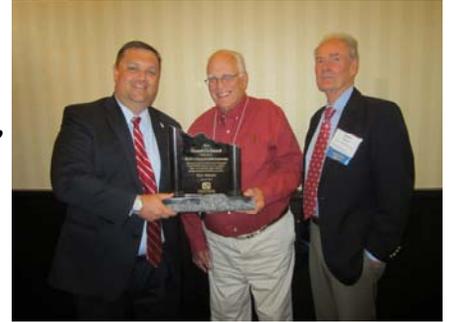
George Harris, Executive Director, Corporate Social Responsibilities for G. E. Johnson Construction Company, passed away suddenly in September 2014. He was a large supporter of and felt passionately about construction education as it prepares the construction industry workforce for the future. He served on the ACCE Board of Trustees from 2010 until 2014. He also served on the Development Committee, the Dupree Education Fund Committee, and the Standards Committee. George served on Visiting Teams, was a member of IAB at Colorado State University and in general worked tirelessly to have an impact on the industry

ACCE Awards and Recognition

Founders Award 2014

Turner Construction, Inc.

The 2014 Founder's Award was given to Turner Construction, Inc. Mike Kaiman, Vice President and General Manager for Turner joined by Bob Meyer, former Vice President for Turner, were presented the award.



One hundred and twelve years ago (1902), Turner Construction was started. Since then, the company has grown to be global in focus and local with its participation in the communities in which it builds. With this dedication to communities and the construction industry, Turner has made a profound impact on construction education across the US.

There are several programs that Turner has created and/or supports with their resources of time and talents:

- **YouthForce 2020:** YouthForce 2020 is a national Turner program that encourages kindergarten through high school students to consider careers in the construction industry. Through YouthForce, members of the Turner community work with students interested in design and engineering, fostering those interests and offering themselves as role models. The program promotes diversity and maintains ongoing relationships with schools, administrators, civic organizations and students in an effort to cultivate future industry leaders.
- **ACE Mentor Program:** The ACE Mentor Program helps to mentor high school students and inspires them to pursue careers in design and construction. Providing mentors, board members, scholarship funds and internship opportunities, Turner participates in the ACE Program on a nationwide level.
- **Senior Design & Capstone Projects:** Turner teaches multiple capstone courses and has even sponsored a design competition at the University of Cincinnati. The challenge the students were posed with was to automate a solution for marking building floors for components such as wall tracks. Turner and the University of Cincinnati plan to further develop this robot with subsequent senior design teams.
- **Turner School of Construction Management:** In an effort to promote minority and women business enterprises and expand the opportunities available to growing businesses, Turner developed a construction management training program in 1969. Each course is taught by Turner staff and includes such topics as risk management, construction estimating, safety and effective marketing. The program has helped attendees build networks, establish fruitful joint ventures win contracts with Turner and other industry leaders and form long-term business relationships. The school is annually offered in more than 20 cities and has graduated more than 30,000 students since 1969.



Dupree Education Scholarship Award—2014

In August, ACCE was very pleased to award one Dupree Education 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.

Congratulations Mike on a job well done. We wish you well in your future career, and we look forward to seeing your participation with ACCE in the future.

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Opportunities for program leaders to become more familiar with the standards and processes will become available beginning in February 2015. Also we will need trained visitors to participate in the pilot programs and eventually all visitors will need to be trained on conducting visits under the new standards. Training renewals will be watched closely in order to ensure individuals with upgraded training are assigned to teams. We hope that everyone will make this a priority to become involved with and be knowledgeable of the new ACCE.

Change is not always easy and it does need invested volunteers to move forward, but this change is promising to produce a better product in the long run and meet the growing needs of our industry. We look forward to the involvement of old friends and new to meet the challenges of today.

Visitor Training

The basic layout of training for our Register of Visitors has not changed and is outlined at the right. It is essential that all visitors upgrade their training to cover the new standards before being on a team that is using the new standards. Those upgraded trainings will begin in February 2015.

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.

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.

Strategic Planning

As mentioned above, ACCE Board of Trustees spent 2 days at North Lake College in November, evaluating, planning and setting priorities for our Strategic Plan for the coming years to ensure that ACCE is growing and adapting to the current environment in the Construction Industry and enabling our accredited programs to adapt accordingly. We appreciate the generosity of North Lake College for hosting this event and we offer special thanks to Christa Slejko, President of North Lake and our facilitator along with her two assistants, George Marquez and Lorri Hill. They did an outstanding job of keeping the group on track and making decisions to act upon. Thanks to everyone who participated for their contributions and accomplishments. Lots to be done now, but all left with a sense of purpose and a plan in hand.



Visiting Team Agenda

Fall 2014 *Thank You to all our ACCE Visiting Team Members for sharing their time and expertise to complete our Mission.*

Undergraduate Degree Programs:

Columbus State Community College

Mike Cooley, Chair
Cindy Decker
Don McCollister

Eastern Michigan University

Cheryel Goodale, Chair
Jim Jones
Gene Fosheim
Jeff Adcock, MIT

Georgia Southern University

Jim Goddare, Chair
Borinar Park
Frank Dellaripa
Tom Leathem, MIT

North Dakota State University

Rebecca Mirsky, Chair
Tulio Sulbaran
Tom Cole
Michael Whelan, MIT

Oregon State University

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Lloyd Crask
Larry Favallora
Bill Bender, MIT

Southern Polytechnic State University

Michael Holland, Chair
Chris Gordon
Ed Wygnal
Bob Shilander, MIT

The Ohio State University

David Mattson
John Schmidt
Randy Rapp

University of New Mexico

David Batie, Chair
Richard Burt
Carl Roegner
Greg Zick MIT

Tarrant County College South

Charles Berryman, Chair
Jim Off
Pam Dullum
Art Theusch, MIT
Don Overton, MIT



Spring 2015

Arizona State University

Central Washington University

Milwaukee School of Engineering

University of Louisiana, Monroe

University of Southern Mississippi

Masters Degree — Wentworth Institute of Technology

California State University, Northridge

Illinois State University

Saskatchewan Polytechnic

University of Houston

Utica College

Accreditations

At the July 25, 2014 meeting, the Board of Trustees granted the following accreditations:

Renewal of Accreditation

Undergraduate Degree Programs:

Auburn University

McWhorter School of Building Science
Dr. Richard Burt, School Head

California Polytechnic State University

Department of Construction Management
Dr. Allan Hauck, Department Head

Lamar University

Reese Construction Management
Dr. Steven McCrary, Director

The University of Texas at San Antonio

Construction Science & Management
Dr. Yilmaz H. Karasulu, Chair

University of Maryland, Eastern Shore

Construction Management Technology
Dr. Derrek B. Dunn, Program Chair

University of North Florida

Building Construction Management
Dr. Mag Malek, Department Chair

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering
Dr. Donald Hayes, Department Chair

Western Carolina University

Kimmel School of Construction
Management & Technology
Dr. Michael Smith, Department Head

Extension of Accreditation

Louisiana State University

Construction Management
Dr. Charles Berryman, Chair

Initial Accreditation

Graduate Degree Programs:

Southern Polytechnic State University

Master of Science in Construction
Management
Dr. Pavin Meadati, Graduate Program
Coordinator

Dupree Education Scholarship and Dupree Construction/NHE Education Scholarship

ACCE will offer scholarships of up to \$5,000 each 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, 2015, with notification by August 2015.**



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**American Council for Construction Education
Spring 2015 Meetings**

**Mid Year Meeting 2015
Long Beach, California
February 18—21**

*ACCE Mid Year Meeting
Registration Deadline is January 28
Please encourage your colleagues
in the Long Beach area to attend*



**Construction Programs
Industry Advisory Board
Best Practices Workshop
Long Beach, California
February 18**

Early Registration Deadline is December 21



Queen Mary

Hotel Reservation Deadline
January 28, 2015
Please call 877-342-0742
and ask for the ACCE rate

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**ACCE Founder's Award Nominations
for the year January 1, 2014—
December 31, 2014 must be received
no later than May 19, 2015. For further
information check the Founders
Awards button on the Industry page
on our website or call 210.495.6161**

