



2011-12 Quad City Engineering and Science Council (QCESC)

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In order to be respectful with everyone's time I'd ask that you try to help me stay on schedule and limit your reports to fit within the time allotted. If more time is required I'd ask that you consider staying after and engaging only those required to resolve any outstanding issues. – Jeff

1. Introductions (5 min)

2. Minutes/Actions from Previous Meeting (10 min)

- *Jeff sent 501(c)(3) letter to Mary – DONE, Silent Auction letter e-mailed:*
- *Pat - IMSA .ppt to QCESC website: [No Update](#)*
- *Pat - schedule 1) LT Planning and 2) Website/logo/media meetings: [No Update](#)*
- *Mary - investigate IA "Cert of Existence"...: [No Update](#)*
- *Mary - Facility for QC Elite Robotics?: [No Update](#)*
- *Jeff/Pat to introduce Jay Flaherty, Nicole Hoffman, and Greg Smith to area STEM teachers at the upcoming "STEM-Teachers Meeting": [This meeting is looking like it will happen in early January.](#)*

3. Treasurer's Report (5 min) - Nancy/Chris:

Bank account balance as of 12/20/11, \$12,497.10; major expenses since 11/9/11 centered on Presidents Reception and FLL; major deposits Birdies for Charity, Presidents Reception, FLL. Since this meeting the \$250 check from Exelon was received.

- In-coming mail?: [Steve checks Moline P.O. mailbox ~ 2Xs per week](#)*

4. Old Business/Actions (15 min)

- 11/15 President's Reception – Barry/Pat: [The evening was a great success with a record 125 attendees. The facility and the food worked well, even Mo the Duck was there! The funding arrangements between ASM and QCESC were poorly communicated ahead of time. This will be better understood going into 2012.](#)*

- 11/19 VEX Robotics – Pat: [No Update – pictures available on the website](#)*

- 12/10 FLL IA Regional – Pat/Jeff: [A resounding success! 1600 people in attendance – 200% of 2010 totals. Teams were given special price when ordering pizza and pop \(200 pizzas and 200 2-liter bottles of pop were provided\). Kim Gasaway worked with local companies to get sandwich trays, donuts, cookies, etc. for all the volunteers. Unanimous](#)*

response by all was "fabulous!" A well-oiled machine and a benchmark for upcoming activities. Pictures are up on the QCESC web site.

- 50th QCESC E-Week banquet – Jeff: [Sub-committee met at the venue 12/1. The 2012 theme will be a showcase of the various STEM efforts throughout the Quad City area. Both Governors Quinn and Branstad's schedulers have communicated interest for them to](#)*



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attend (we hope to have this nailed down by the 1/18/12 QCESC meeting). The QCESC has requested the assistance of the QC Chamber of Commerce (i.e. Elaine Barreca). Any additional coaxing of the QC CoC by member societies would be helpful. Contact Jeff if you have any ideas.

- Do we really want a Silent Auction? *The idea of NOT holding a Silent Auction at this year's banquet was floated, with little discussion. A point has been brought up regarding the overall value of the silent auction vs. the nickel/dime perception it might leave on our special guests. Many calories are burned to solicit and collect these items for marginal monetary gain. Items already could still use it elsewhere with the money still going to scholarships (maybe an on-line version with photos and descriptions of items ala E-Bay?). No decision was made tonight - more discussion will be planned for next month.*

- Order of the Engineer: *Jeff is trying to solicit for at least 6 new Order of the Engineer inductees to the QCESC Link established in February 2011 (goal = 6, stretch goal = 12; there are no limits). There are no dues and no meetings of the Order of the Engineer. Inductees are encouraged to wear the ring and to display the signed Obligation certificate as visible reminders of the publicly accepted Obligation as a contract with themselves. **Any engineer is eligible for induction if he or she has graduated from an EAC of ABET program or holds a license as a Professional Engineer in the United States.** There is a one-time charge (\$20) for a SS ring and documentation. Inductees will participate in a short ceremony during the banquet. Jeff has a jeweler's ring sizer; contact him for details... Answers to FAQs @ http://www.order-of-the-engineer.org/?page_id=17*

- e. 2012 Bridge Team – Jeff (next meeting: Thur 1/5/12 @ 5:30 PM, Bier Stube – Moline
* *The “2012 Rules, Tools, and Materials” were distributed to past participants, QCESC Officers, members, Partners, and Educators – it should be posted on @ www.qcesc.org shortly.*
* *Western Illinois University's donation of a videographer in 2011 paid off – the first QCESC video was produced by the Putnam Museum and can be seen @ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7vFHh8_xA1M. We're Hoping to gather more video footage this year.*
* *Would like to have one of the upcoming meetings at the Putnam to review the logistics.*

5. **Review Calendar of Upcoming Events (5 min)** – Pat
(Societies/groups - contact Pat with event info... on-going)

6. **New Business (15 min)**

- a. STEM Teachers meeting? - Pat/Steve: *A directory of participants is required. At this time, a meeting is likely for during the first 2-weeks of January.*
- b. FIRST Lego League IA State (1/14/12) – Pat: *No Update*



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c. FIRST Robotics @ Putnam (1/21/12) – Pat: *No Update*

d. *Muscatine Paper Bridge Building* event will be held from 9-11am on 14 Jan 2012 at MUCSO – Nancy.

For details, contact Bob Windt @ rjwfxaero@yahoo.com; 309-654-2588

Flyer - <http://qcesc.org/Calendar/Saturday%20January%202014.pdf>

Rules - <http://qcesc.org/Calendar/Rules.pdf>

e. *Rock Island Community STEM Festival* sponsored by IMSA – (1/24/12) 5-7pm at the Rock Island Center for Mathematics and Science, 2101 16th Avenue, Rock Island – Steve will contact Nicole Hoffman regarding this event. Jeff said he would man a both at the event and hoped others from QCESC would help him.

f. There is an effort to make frequent updates to the *QCESC Face Book* and *LinkedIn –Group* pages to make it interesting and relevant (see icons at the bottom of this document). Hits on the www.qcesc.org web site have increased dramatically.

g. Tom Richmond presented a *\$600 check from SAVE* for the QCESC scholarship fund.

h. The *scholarship process* was discussed. Tom Hein is working with schools and teachers to get the word out about our scholarships. We need to collect additional funds from the societies. A donation of less than \$1,000 would be merged. A society providing a donation greater than a \$1,000 can have naming rights to the scholarship and can present at the awards ceremony.

i. (As previously mentioned) Jeff has been talking to the *Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce*, Elaine Barreca, regarding support to the QCESC E-Week banquet. Jeff is also going to board members with a concept for becoming a member of the Chamber. We want their help to bring more people to the banquet and advertise future events.

7. Society Round Table/Updates (5 min) –

* SWE – 1/24/12: Financial Strategies to be discussed at Stanley Consultants.

Contact hubnersunnyj@johndeere.com for details

* ABESE- 1/26/12: Winter Meeting @ the Moline Viking Club.

Contact ShoemakerJimM@JohnDeere.com for details

8. Next QCESC Monthly Meeting (1 min) –

Wed Jan 18, 2012 (led by Steve Mapley)

5:30 – 6:45 PM @ Hamilton Tech 1011 East 53rd Street Davenport, Iowa

9. Recap – Actions (5 min) –

Jeff - Post Scholarship Application (available @ www.qcesc.org) to Face Book, LinkedIn

Steve – Contact IMSA for display booth details, share info w/ QCESC Officers






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- Tom Hein – compile educator lists to one and verify all contacted regarding QCESC scholarships*
- Tom Hein –draft Scholarship letter to be sent to QCESC Societies and Partners. This annual letter is to be sent from the QCESC President not later than the first calendar week of the new year.*
- Nancy Shell – compile a report of revenue raised by past banquet silent auctions (4 years if possible).*

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