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**AGENDA**  
ASCE TEXAS SECTION  
**WINTER 2020-2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
January 30, 2021 | 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM CT | Hybrid Meeting

**In-Person**

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[Austin, TX 78728](#)

**Virtual** via Zoom

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Meeting ID: 893 0326 8513  
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**INVITED ATTENDEES**

2020-2021 [Executive Committee](#)  
2018-2019 President (Arthur Clendenin PE)  
2020-2022 Region 6 Director (Jerry Paz PE)  
Communications Specialist (Jennifer Peters)  
Section's Financial Advisor (Kelly Mahmoud – Edward Jones)

**1.0 Convene (12:00 to 12:35 pm)**

- 1.1 Call to Order (Sean P. Merrell PE, F.ASCE President)
- 1.2 Install VP for Educational Affairs Elect Clay Forister PE (Susan K. Roth PE, Past President)
- 1.3 Zoom Screen Capture & Socially Distant Photo (Jennifer Peters, Communications Specialist)
- 1.4 Roll Call, Determination of Quorum (Mike Sosa, Secretary)
- 1.5 Welcome Visitors (President Merrell)
- 1.6 Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation (Patrick Beecher PE, President Elect) [Texas Pledge](#)
- 1.7 Investment Report (Kelly Mahmoud, Edward Jones) (15 minutes)
- 1.8 Society and Region 6 Comments (Jerry Paz PE, Region 6 Director) (5 minutes)
- 1.9 Executive Summary (President Merrell) (5 minutes)

**Reports for Action or Discussion**

**2.0 Administrative Items for Board of Direction Action (12:35 to 12:40 pm)**

- [A] 2.1 The Executive Committee is asked for any changes to the agenda.  
~~[A] 2.2 The Executive Committee is asked to adopt the consent agenda. See Attachment 1.~~  
[A] 2.2~~3~~ The Executive Committee is asked to disclose any potential conflicts of interest.

**3.0 Items for Discussion (2 hours)**

- [D] 3.1 Section Finances (Chris Nance PE) (12:40 to 12:50 pm)
- Operating Budget Review
  - FY2019-2020 Tax Return
  - Texas Civil Engineering Foundation (TCEF) Support (Lindsay O'Leary PE, CAE)
- [D] 3.2 Recruiting (President Merrell) (12:50 to 1:00 pm)
- Institute Chapter Leaders including a volunteer, potentially a Texas university faculty member, to establish an EMI Chapter
  - Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion and CECON Review Task Committee Members
  - STEM Committee
  - 2022-2023 Texas Section Officers
  - 2021-2027 John B. Hawley Memorial Trust Fund Trustee (to be appointed September 2021)

**Break (1:00 to 1:10pm)**

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- [D] 3.3 *Strategic Dialogue: Post-Pandemic Meetings & Events (1:10 to 1:20 pm)*
- How will virtual meetings impact/change the way Texas Section does business?
  - Will most members return to meeting in-person? Or, will there be a need for hybrid events?
  - Schedule separate brainstorming session with Board of Direction?
- [D] 3.4 2021 Texas Infrastructure Report Card (Griselda Gonzales PE) (1:20 to 1:25 pm)
- Release February 10, 2021 via Webinar
  - Registration open to public with limited number of member seats available
- [D] 3.5 Professional Activities (Griselda Gonzales PE) (1:25 to 1:30 pm)
- Texas [Legislative Drive-In](#): February 22-26, 2021 (Virtual)
    - Registration fee is \$20
    - Priority Issues
  - ASCE [Legislative Fly-In](#): March 3-4, 201 (Virtual)
  - Activities of Flood Mitigation Advisory Task Committee
- [D] 3.6 [Student Symposium](#) (Natalie Chaney PE) (1:30 to 1:45 pm)
- 2021 ASCE Texas Student Symposium
    - Texas/Mexico Student Conference Meeting and Competitions, April 15-17
    - Budget Review and Sponsorships Opportunities including Career Fair
    - Professional PDH Opportunities – [Register online](#)
    - *Note*: Board Meeting will not be held in conjunction with event. Board to meet March 26, 2021.
  - Possible 2022 ASCE Region 6 Student Symposium
    - Coordination with Region 6 Stakeholders to realign Student Conference Boundaries
    - Renaming of Student Paper Competition & Possible Scholarship to honor Rusty Gibson
- [D] 3.7 2021 Leadership Development Weekend & (Beecher) (1:45 to 1:50 pm)
- Save the Date: July 9-11 (Houston, Texas)
  - Executive Committee Meeting to be held July 9, 2021

**Break (1:50 to 2:00 pm)**

- [D] 3.8 Technical Activities (Bob Stevens PhD PE) (2:00 to 2:10 pm)
- Institute Chapters: CECON & Webinar MOUs
  - Formation of Houston UESI Chapter
  - Formation of Texas COPRI Chapter, potentially merging with Houston COPRI Chapter
- [D] 3.9 *Texas Civil Engineer* (Alik McCoy PE) (2:10 to 2:20 pm)
- Annual Print Feature Options
  - Submit Article Ideas to [Share@TexASCE.org](mailto:Share@TexASCE.org)
  - [Advertising Opportunities](#)
  - Seeking articles to nominate for Excellence in Journalism Award (EIJA)
- [D] 3.10 CECON (Beecher) (2:20 to 2:40 pm)
- CECON 2020: Summary of Preliminary Report
  - CECON 2021: September 15-17 (San Marcos)
    - Preliminary Budget, Timeline for Marketing & Programs
    - Institute Chapter CECON MOUs
  - CECON Site Selection Committee Recommendations for CECON 2022 to 2025
    - CECON 2022 – Frisco
    - CECON 2023 – San Marcos
    - CECON 2024 – Denton
    - CECON 2025 – San Marcos
    - *CECON 2026 – Site Selection Committee to provide recommendation in 2023*

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**4.0 Items for Executive Committee Action (2:40 to 2:45 pm)**

- [C] 4.1 **The Executive Committee is asked to adopt the consent agenda. See Attachment 1.**
- 4.1.1 Receive all Reports marked [I] on the Agenda (including the [November 2020 Financial Report](#))
  - 4.1.2 Establish Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Committee & Appoint Dora Robles PE and Kate Osborn PE as Co-Chairs
  - 4.1.3 Approve [Student Symposium 2021 Budget](#) (Approved by 2019-2020 Board on September 25, 2020 and subsequently revised for Virtual Event)
  - 4.1.4 Endorse Slate of Officer Nominees for 2021-2022
- [A] 4.2 Endorse Past Presidents Council Recommendations for 2021 Texas OCEA Award & Award of Merit
- 4.2.1 OCEA: [Able Pump Station Project](#) submitted by Ramon Miguez and Lance Ferland (HDR)
  - 4.2.2 Award of Merit: [Mansfield Road Improvements Project](#) submitted by Sindhu Avalokita and Spenta Irani (Jacobs)

**Reports for Information** (all reports marked [I] shall be received on consent unless pulled from the Consent Agenda for action or discussion)

**5.0 Officers Reports**

- [I] 5.1\* President (Sean P. Merrell PE)
- Branch/Section Relations Committee
  - Office/Personnel Committee
  - Past Presidents Council
- [I] 5.2\* Past President (Susan K. Roth PE)
- History & Heritage Committee
  - Honors Committee
  - Nominating Committee
- [I] 5.3\* President Elect (Patrick M. Beecher PE)
- Editorial Committee
  - Membership Committee
  - Strategic Planning Committee
  - CECON Planning Committee
  - CECON Site Selection Task Committee
- [I] 5.4\* Vice President for Educational Affairs (Natalie M. Chaney PE)
- STEM Committee
  - Student Activities Committee
  - Younger Members Committee
- [I] 5.5\* Vice President for Professional Affairs (Griselda Gonzales PE)
- Government Affairs Committee
  - Texas Infrastructure Report Cards Committee
  - Residential Foundations Task Committees
  - Flood Mitigation Advisory Task Committee
- [I] 5.6\* Vice President for Technical Affairs (Robert D. Stevens PhD, PE)
- Webinars
  - Institute Chapters
  - CECON Sessions & Lightning Round and Poster Presentations
- [I] 5.7 Treasurer (Chris Nance PE)
- Budget/Finance Committee
  - Investments
- [I] 5.8\* Directors at Large (Alik McCoy PE, Senior Director at Large)
- Excellence in Journalism Award Committee
  - Tellers Committee

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**6.0 Other Reports**

- [I] 6.1\* Executive Director (Lindsay A. O'Leary PE, CAE)
  - Section Office Update
  - Communications Report
  - Non-dues Revenue
- [I] 6.2\* Section Operations (Mike Sosa)
  - Sales & Franchise Taxes (Texas) and Inventory
  - Subsidiary Bylaws
  - Annual Reports and Tax Returns
- [I] 6.3\* Trust Funds (O'Leary)
  - Texas Civil Engineering Foundation (TCEF) Texas Section Past Presidents Educational Trust Fund, Chaired by Curtis Beitel PE
  - John B. Hawley, Chaired by Mark Boyd PhD PE
  - J. Walter Porter, Chaired by Brett Pope PE

**7.0 Calendar of Events** (President Merrell) *(2:45 to 2:50 pm)*

**8.0 Closing Remarks and Final Comments** (President Merrell) *(2:50 to 2:55 pm)*

**9.0 ADJOURN.**

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## 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 30, 2021 – Hybrid (Virtual & Austin, Texas)

**TexASCE [Executive Committee Meeting](#)**

February 21-27, 2021 – Nationwide

**[Engineers Week 2021](#)**

February 22-26, 2021 – Virtual

**[Texas Legislative Drive-In](#)**

March 3-4, 2021 – Virtual

**ASCE Legislative Fly-In 2020**

March 26, 2021 – Hybrid (Virtual & TBD)

**TexASCE Board of Direction Meeting**

April 15-17, 2021 – Virtual

**[Student Symposium 2021](#)**

May 1, 2021

**[ASCE Texas Section 2021 Award Nominations Due](#)**

May TBD, 2021 – TBD, Texas

**3rd Annual Texas Utilities Engineering & Surveying Conference**

*Presented by the Texas Chapter of UESI*

July 9-11, 2021 – Houston, Texas

**[Leadership Development Weekend 2021](#) & **TexASCE Executive Committee Meeting** (July 9)**

July 23-24, 2021 – Denver, CO

**ASCE Regions 3, 6, & 7 Multi-Region Leadership Conference**

August, 2021 – Virtual

Texas UESI Annual Conference

September 15-17, 2021 – San Marcos, Texas

**[CECON 2021](#) & **TexASCE Board of Direction Meetings****

September TBD, 2020 – Reston, Virginia

**ASCE Presidents and Governors Forum**

October 6-9, 2021 – Chicago, IL

**ASCE [Convention](#)**

December 6-10, 2021 – Virtual

**ASCE [International Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure \(ICSI\)](#)**