



## Minutes of Meeting

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Place:** BL 209

**From/Author:** Javier Figueroa, Recording Secretary Elect – [elpidioneun@aol.com](mailto:elpidioneun@aol.com)

**To Attendees:** *Board* Rafiq Chowdhury, Nick Najdovski  
*Committee* Steven McManus, Alex Hinkle, Cara Pirkey, Nadine Abu-Jubara, Austin Bayoumi, Drew Rossi, Jonathon Defaria, Ryan Avera, Andy Dugan, Dawn Latchum

**Subject:** Member Meeting

### Item

#### 1. **Rafiq's Announcements**

- a. Email Kristine Sawyer if interested on supporting UCF Steel bridge in Vegas
- b. Beach day Saturday 4.18.09 with Embry-Riddle, Sun Splash park Daytona Florida 11am-3pm, sports, bring sodas, snacks. Contact Jeff Rapolti [jrapolti@gmail.com](mailto:jrapolti@gmail.com)
- c. Ronald McDonalds house changed to 17 at 4:00pm-9:00pm; contact Alex Hinkle [HINK005@aol.com](mailto:HINK005@aol.com)

#### 2. **Fundraising, Nadine**

- a. If you are interested in selling chocolates using a table please contact Nadine.

#### 3. **Jeff Rapolti**

- a. July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> annual YMF Icebreaker volunteering event. Location is at winter park's farmers market. Contact Jeff on his email [jrapolti@gmail.com](mailto:jrapolti@gmail.com)

#### 4. **Turner Construction Company, David S. Reaves**

- a. 5800+ Active Employees
- b. 1700 active projects a year, 80% are \$15 Million or less
- c. Nationwide network of offices and several overseas
- d. \$10 billion annual construction
- e. Leading Builder in Diverse Markets
- f. About 40% of employees have Civil Engineering degree
- g. Do not self-perform direct work in Florida
- h. Hiring 230 engineering graduates a year
- i. Construction management
- j. Projects consist of Design/build, Design/build-finance
- k. Multiple building programs
- l. Build: airports, convention centers, health care, k-12 education, green buildings(completed 80), etc.
- m. Turner became the first construction management firm to join in the EPA climate leaders
- n. Provide Green training program to increase number of Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified professionals in the company. Turner pays for LEED certification
- o. Leading edge of 3D modeling, Building Information Modeling (BIM)
- p. Collaborate with other companies in some 3D modeling
- q. Projects in central Florida: Hilton ruby lake, FAMU Teaching Gym, Orlando Events Center, Duval County Courthouse, Osceola Middle School "CC", Corona Cigar Co.
- r. Tallest buildings Turner took part in building: Burj Dubai, Doha Convention Center and Tower, Taipei 101

**Item****Action By/Due Date****5. Turner Construction Company, Karla Benalcazar**

- a. Opportunities: Assistant Engineer, Engineer, Field engineer
- b. Training: very comprehensive training program \$8 million dollars spent in training new employees
- c. High emphasis on training for all positions
- d. Benefits: healthcare(medical, dental, vision), retirement, vendor discount(Volvo, Microsoft)
- e. Tuition reimbursement
- f. UCF portal that allows students to take 12 Turner training classes for free:  
[www.turnercampus.com/ucf](http://www.turnercampus.com/ucf)
- g. Prefer General Contractors license and MBA in the Construction field
- h. Turner provides mentoring for new employees
- i. Transition Coach: informs new employees on policies, serve as a point of contact, provide feedback and encouragement

**6. Community Service, Alex**

- a. Officer transition event on Thursday 4.17.09 at 7:00 pm Engineering I Atrium.
- b. Beta center clean up May 16<sup>th</sup> with YMF. Painting a mural.

**7. Newsletter**

- a. If you do not receive the newsletter please email Nick Najdovski at: [njn88@yahoo.com](mailto:njn88@yahoo.com) or let Rafiq know ASAP.

**8. Next Member Meeting: Every Tuesday from now on at 7pm in Biological Sciences 209**