

ACAGE Board Meeting July 21, 2006

1. Review the minutes 4-7-06: Approved as amended.
2. Lunsford Endowed Scholarship Status: Currently at \$109,156 (in the bank). Patricia Sullivan is working on a minimum of \$1000 pledges outstanding. She is working with Gilbert Tellez getting additional contributors. Some people sent in contributions to the NMSU Foundation and not to the College of Engineering Lunsford Scholarship fund. Those have been moved over (Keyes doesn't understand this at all - the money is in the NMSU Foundation, otherwise it wouldn't get any interest!). Of the Clark Endowed Professorship fund in the NMSU Foundation, \$60k was ACAGE effort, \$60k from Hernandez, out of \$128,189.62. So, \$109k for the Lundsford fund is very good. About \$40k for Lunsford came from Hernandez and Lunsford family. Ed Archuleta sent letter to ACAGE members for donations. The Lunsford Endowed Scholarship by the NMSU Foundation was also mentioned in the Civil Engineering Alumni Newsletter. Contribution Levels: Primary \$1000, Secondary \$1001 - \$10,000, Tertiary \$10,001 - \$25,000, Potable \$25,001 - \$50,000, Walk on Water \$50,001 or more (Keyes suggests that a person giving \$1000 would be Primary and not Secondary; therefore the range for Secondary must begin at \$1001). There are 25 new ACAGE members (ones from 2004 and 2005 initiation) that didn't get Ed's letter asking for contribution as they weren't in the data base at the time that the letter went out. There have been over 2500 civil engineering graduates since the time that Lunsford went to school at NM A&MA in 1944. Lunsford retired in 1986. Mack will send a list of CAGE Dept. alumni that includes the 50, 60, 70 graduates with their name and address only. Ed will use this to send out another letter mentioning the 2006 Homecoming and this Lundsford Endowed Scholarship funding effort. The spouses of the distinguish members may contribute. We want to set up a scholarship to give out at Homecoming this year. We need to get the criteria to make selection out to the students or facility depending on the selection criteria, once the amount is determined. If \$2500 is available, give out two scholarships. Robert Petterson gave briefing on some of his personal contacts that he made. He also took down a list of others that he will ask Patricia if she wants him to contact. Ken to send list of retired facility or current facility that would know Jesse to Ed.
3. Department Report: Results of Spring 2006 FE Exam was passed out. We are above the National average which is an improvement. Everyone must pass the FE to graduate from NMSU. This was just started last Fall. Before that it was you had to just take it. Student Chapter has an Honorable Mention from ASCE National. Ricardo handed Ed list of Spring graduates. A fourth of them went on to graduate school. Ken sent out email to facility asking for nominations for the two Foreman Professorships and announce at Homecoming. Selection made by ACAGE. The announcement will be made by the College of Engineering and then mentioned the ACAGE Banquet. The Department is now Civil Engineering Department. CE Report has now been sent to ABET for review. Official report from ABET won't be out but we should have a good feel on how it went by Homecoming.
4. Plans for Banquet: Reservations are at the Hilton for the Banquet, Friday night October 20. Initiation is in Hernandez Hall, room 110 after College Ceremony. Conrad will get the Power Point presentation together, but he will not be able to attend. We won't know who will be attending until the end of September. Ed needs to invite Roger to attend the meeting so that we can induct him in as an honorary member such that we can roast him. Conrad will work with John Burkstaller as John will do the presentation at the Initiation. Let the Lunsford scholarship be at the afternoon Ceremony presentation by the College versus at the Banquet. Ed to talk to Patricia and Steve about where we should do the scholarship. Ken will check to see what Jesse wants to do.

5. Zimmerman is also being nominated by the NM Section to ASCE National for induction for Honorary member. Gunaji was nominated by the NM Section to ASCE National for 2006 and will be carried over for 2007.

Next meeting is setup for September 15 at 1:30 pm at NMSU.