



# American Water Works Association Pacific Northwest Section

## PNWS AWWA WINTER TRUSTEE MEETING ENGINEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

### Committee Officers

Chair – Jim Konigsfeld  
Vice Chair – Nathan Abercrombie  
Secretary – Scott Duren  
Trustee Representative – Mike Whiteley

### 2016-2017 Budget as Submitted

|                                         | <i>Budget</i>  | <i>Budget to Date</i> |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                           | <b>\$4,000</b> |                       |
| <i>Excellence In Engineering Awards</i> | \$1000         |                       |
| <i>Training</i>                         | \$3000         |                       |
| <i>Corrosion Symposium</i>              |                | +/- \$1300            |

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|-------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>Expenses</b>                           | <b>\$3,425</b> |                                             |
| <i>Excellence In Engineering Awards</i>   | \$1000         |                                             |
| <i>Engineers Week</i>                     | \$1250         |                                             |
| <i>PSEC – Engineering Fest</i>            |                | \$200 (KC Subsection co-sponsorship)        |
| <i>Portland E-Week Engineer's Banquet</i> |                | \$250 (NW Oregon Subsection Co-sponsorship) |
| <i>Training</i>                           | \$900          |                                             |
| <i>Merchandise for Events</i>             |                |                                             |

### Committee Meetings

No formal meetings have been scheduled. We are trying to arrange for the 2017 Annual Committee Meeting during the PNWS-AWWA Conference.

### Training

#### Corrosion Symposium

On January 18, 2017 the Engineer Committee and NACE of Portland hosted a Corrosion Symposium that was very well attended and had several generous sponsors including: Carbolin (morning coffee and pastries), Forrest Paint (morning break), MESA (lunch), Rodda Paint (lunch) and Farwest Corrosion (afternoon break). The speaker panel was exceptionally strong with Stu Greenberger starting off the morning with a journey through the scientific history of corrosion. Ron Watts followed with an introduction to atmospheric corrosion and then Roy Rogers finished off the morning with case studies of pipeline cathodic protection

construction. After lunch, Jamie Laird led a fast paced, in-depth course on coatings sprinkled with tall tales of coatings in action. Finally, Kim Gupta described the lead situation in Flint, Michigan, and what Portland is doing to be proactive about complying with the Lead and Copper Rule. Since the event was originally developed by NACE of Portland, we agreed to split the proceeds of the course 80/20.

#### Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater Utilities Training

On March 7-8, 2017 the Engineering Committee has arranged for a 2-day class on disaster management for water and wastewater utilities. This is a FEMA training, funded with federal dollars (therefore we can't charge for the event). The training will take place in Vancouver Washington.

#### **Events**

No events have been planned at this time.

#### **Succession Planning and Membership**

The Engineering Committee has three standard Officer; Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. While the positions are voted on each year, it is standard practice that the officers transition from Secretary to Vice Chair, and Vice Chair to Chair. Additionally, the Past Chair assists the Chair during their tenure. So normally the Secretary is the only new officer elected from the membership.

The Committee's membership is pretty active and consists of approximately 15 to 20 members. However, each year the membership roster grows with a number of new members after the Annual Conference and from the ranks of the Young Professionals.