

**ACEC – VT
Meeting Notes
December 13, 2006**

Attendees:

Greg Edwards, *Stantec*
Bob Stevens, *Stevens and Associates*
Dale Gozalkowski, *CHA*
Bob Badger, *CHA*
Peter Boeming, *SUE*
Blair Enman, *EEPC*
Randy Spencer, *SEI*
Bob Dufresne, *Dufresne & Associates*
Allen Randall, *Lichtenstein*
Dave Eves, *Lichtenstein*
Mark Smith, *RSG*
Preston Haustead, *CHA*
Dean Groves, *Fay Spafford & Thorndike*
Dale Spaulding, *Louis Berger*
Tim Higgison, *Louis Berger*
Kurt Jelinek, *Noble Engineering*
John Lens, *GeoDesign*
Steve Mackenzie, *Dubois & King*
John Forcier, *Forcier & Aldrich*

Topics and Items Discussed:

1. Engineering Excellence Awards:

Steve working with Sue on sending notices. The website will be considered to post the awards information.

2. Website – www.acecv.org

Comments and suggestions requested.

3. Engineering Excellence Banquet:

Consider alternative venue (i.e. Shelburne Farms)
Speaker is needed: Any suggestions requested

4. Budget:

Dues payment notices are out and are due.

5. Seminars

UVM Continuing Education is being solicited for course on "Contract Negotiation".

6. Statute of Repose

A meeting at 3pm will discuss next steps to pursue and update will be provided next meeting. ASCE/VT has received grant to support pursuing legislation. AIA and Vermont Society of Land Surveyors are interested in this.

7. Landscape Architect Licensing:

ACEC has a previous position paper provided to Secretary of State.

8. Legislative Fellow:

Discussed funded position for liaison to legislative (ie. 16 hours / 16 weeks). Further discussion at future meetings.

9. Bulletin 3.5

Results are pending discussions among Agencies of Transportation and Administration. They are reviewing and considering NHDOT indemnification clause.

10. Membership

Potential new members:

RSG

Noble Engineering

Fay, Spofford & Thorndike

Weston & Simpson

Parson Brinkerhoff

11. ANR/ACEC VT Committee Meeting:

Discussed certification at point of sale by engineers and copyright issue with plans. ACEC VT pursuing language for ANR to use for these items. Draft language will be distributed for member input.

12. Neale Lunderville – Secretary of Transportation

Provided general overview of VTrans' capital budget's emphasis on preservation and restoration. Less emphasis on new capacity. Projects need realistic timelines, provide core transportation needs and contain less amenities. Safety and environment are paramount, but focus and commitment is needed to complete projects.