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A Note from Your ACEC-KY Executive Director Russ Romine

I recently had the opportunity to visit ACEC headquarters in Washington, D.C. and participate in a Leadership Orientation workshop. Being new in my role, this was a great opportunity to put faces with names and meet many of the folks who provide leadership and direction for our organization on the national front. It also provided me a chance to meet with fellow executive directors, and also some of your colleagues who provide leadership to their respective member organizations back home.

During the meeting, ACEC Chair Peter Strub and ACEC President/CEO David Raymond talked about the high profile nature of ACEC in Washington and how the organization is seen as a “go-to” resource for congress and the administration, particularly when it comes to issues impacting the engineering profession and the consultant engineer business. Steve Hall, ACEC Vice President for Government Affairs, provided a post-election breakdown and offered his views on what to expect when the new president is sworn-in and the new congress begins in January. Other department heads talked about their areas of expertise and shared how their piece of the puzzle helps make ACEC what it is.

My two days in Washington, D.C. was time well spent, and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to participate. Reestablishing a strong connection between ACEC/KY and ACEC/National is very important, and one of my top objectives as we seek to provide value and service to you.

Given the outcome of the recent elections, there is no shortage of cautious optimism in Washington, and here in Kentucky. I’m thankful that we have a strong voice in Washington with ACEC, and I’m personally excited to work alongside you, the ACEC/KY membership, as we strengthen our profile and truly become the “face and voice of engineering businesses in Kentucky.” As new ideas and policies are discussed, developed and implemented –

all with the focus of improving the business climate in Kentucky – we look forward to being engaged and part of that effort. This is an excellent opportunity that we must all be ready to seize... I look forward to working with you and our ACEC leadership team in the weeks and months ahead.

As I close my message for November, I trust that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and had time to reflect on the many blessings we have. As we look ahead to Christmas, I want to wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season, and a prosperous New Year. Marcie, Jennifer and I, along with the ACEC/KY leadership team, look forward to working with you in 2017!

KYTC Partnering Meeting

KYTC and ACEC-KY members met on Tuesday, November 22nd at 1:30 pm in the Kentucky Engineering Center Board room. There were a total of 35 individuals in attendance at the meeting, including KYTC Secretary Greg Thomas, Paul Looney, Andy Barber, Megan McLain, and Gary Valentine.

Over the course of the meeting, the Secretary talked about Road Fund cash balance stabilization and the 2017 Legislative priorities that were being reviewed. The Project Manager’s Bootcamp Express for consultants was mentioned and all were reminded that those training sessions will begin in January. Other items that were discussed were the performance based flexible solutions moving forward and preventative maintenance program focus, including roadways, structures and asset management. An overview of the P3 regulations recently filed were covered during the meeting.

ACEC-KY EEA Competition

We took in six submittals for the ACEC-KY EEA Competition this year. Those submittals were judged on the afternoon of November 29th at the Kentucky Engineering Center. The ACEC-KY EEA Awards Luncheon date and location will be announced soon.

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Membership Meeting You're Invited!

When: December 14, 2016
Where: Frankfort Country Club
101 Duntreath Street Frankfort, KY 40601
Time: 11:00 am
Cost per person: \$25.00
with Special Guest Speakers following lunch...



Secretary Landrum



Secretary Snavelly



Secretary Thomas

Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet
COL William M. Landrum III, USA, Ret.

Secretary of the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet
Charles G. Snavelly

Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Greg Thomas

Each secretary will be speak, then we will follow up with a panel discussion where members can ask the secretaries questions.

To register for the Membership Meeting, please click the following link: <http://www.kyengcenter.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=892429&group>

ACEC-KY Membership Retreat

ACEC-KY is hosting a membership retreat on January 29-31, 2017 at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. You can reserve you room at the link here: [ACEC-KY Retreat](#).

The following topics will be covered throughout the retreat, with an agenda being made available closer to the date:

- P3
- Tax Reform
- Leadership Transition
- Legislative Update

We hope you will consider joining us. We expect to have an outstanding program with some excellent speakers and panels. Watch for more details in the weeks ahead!

DATES TO NOTE

December 14, 2016

ACEC-KY Board of Directors Meeting - 9:30 am
ACEC-KY Quarterly Membership Meeting - 11:30 am
Frankfort Country Club

January 6, 2017

EEA Entries due to the National ACEC Office
Washington, DC

January 29-31, 2017

ACEC-KY Membership Retreat
The Renaissance Nashville - Nashville, TN

March 22, 2017

ACEC-KY Board of Directors Meeting
TBD

April 23 – 26, 2017

ACEC Annual Conference
Washington, DC

June 21, 2017

ACEC-KY Board of Directors Meeting
TBD

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Lexington One Day Fall Seminar/ KRS 322 MTS Code of Conduct & Expert Witness

Clarion Hotel - Lexington, KY
December 7, 2016

Winter Dendrology & Native Tree Identification

Berheim Arboretum - Clermont, KY
December 9, 2016

Louisville One Day Fall Seminar

Ramada Plaza - Louisville, KY
December 16, 2016

6th Annual Bridge Day

Marriott Griffin Gate - Lexington, KY
February 1, 2017

2017 KSPE Annual Convention

Cincinnati Marriott at RiverCenter - Covington, KY
April 19 - 21, 2017