A Note from Your ACEC-KY President
Brad Montgomery

Dear Fellow Members,

As we reach the end of 2016, we have an opportunity to reflect on the year that was. The transition from 2016 to 2017 marks the half-way point in my ACEC-KY Presidency. It has been an eventful six months. We have hired a new Executive Director, conducted our first-ever Leadership Retreat, re-established Quarterly Membership Meetings, and maintained the level of high quality programming to which you have become accustomed. Our most recent success was our December 14, 2016 Membership Meeting. In addition to highlighting the activities of ACEC-KY, we hosted a round table of prestigious speakers that included Col. William M. Landrum, III, USA, Ret. – Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet; Charles G. Snavely – Secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet; and Greg Thomas – Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. The presentations were informative, the questions were lively and the attendance was exceptional. We have set the bar pretty high for our March 22, 2017 Quarterly Meeting!

Moving forward into 2017, we continue to aggressively re-establish the traditions that bring value to ACEC membership. On January 29-31, 2017, we will host a destination Membership Retreat at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. This exciting event will include the following topics:

- Public Private Partnerships (P3) – Functionality, past successes, risk/liability and how it will affect your firm.
- Tax Reform – Katharine Mottley with ACEC in Washington, D.C. will join us to discuss the outlook on tax reform from a national perspective and Tony Sholar with The Rotunda Group, LLC will join us to provide the Kentucky view.
- Legislative Update – Given the outcome of the recent elections, optimism is high in Washington. However, the state-wide perspective, particularly relating to transportation, is not so optimistic. Ms. Mottley and Mr. Sholar will also provide insight into legislative and regulatory issues in Washington and Frankfort respectively.
- Leadership Transition – As our industry and our firms mature, leadership transition is an increasingly pertinent topic. While this part of program is still developing, we are hopeful to provide insightful knowledge into the options available for the transition of leadership for our member firms.

Our program for the Membership Retreat is still under development. Additional topics and speakers are being added to this already exceptional program. A complete agenda will be available soon. You will find registration information for both the retreat and your hotel later in this newsletter. Please make your plans now to join us in Nashville for this unique opportunity for fellowship and education!

In closing, we would like to insure you that the staff and volunteer leadership at ACEC-KY is committed
to bringing unequaled value to your membership. Therefore, we would love to hear from you. Let us know what we can do as an organization to be “the face and voice of engineering businesses in Kentucky”.

I hope that each of you had a very Merry Christmas and is looking forward to the Happiest of New Years!

Best wishes,

Brad Montgomery, P.E.
President, ACEC-KY

ACEC-KY Retreat 2017
ACEC-KY is hosting a membership retreat on January 29-31, 2017 at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee.

You can reserve your room at the link here:

ACEC-KY Retreat. Room rate is $215/room. The room block closes on January 9th.

Topics will include: P3, Tax Reform, Leadership Transition, Legislative Update

Please make plans to join us. We have an outstanding program with excellent speakers. Watch for more details in the weeks ahead!

Registration Fee: Early Bird (by January 6th) - $295.00
Regular Registration (after January 6th) - $350.00

Register online here or fill out the PDF registration form!

KYTC Traffic Management Plan Development Class
Following much work and collaboration on the part of KYTC, ACEC-KY and TMP instructors, the most recent version of the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) Training is ready and will be held in the Winter/Spring 2017 around Kentucky (dates and location can be found at the end of this section).

KYTC has clarified the following information on those who will need to attend this training below:

It is determined to just simply follow the current Policy and Procedures for the Safety and Mobility of Traffic Through Work Zones which states the following:

“The Cabinet's training program will require appropriate training for personnel involved in the development, design, implementation, operation, inspection, and enforcement of work zone related transportation management and traffic control. This includes, but will not be limited to, transportation planners, design engineers, traffic and safety engineers, construction project staff, and maintenance staff and staff involved in the issuance and monitoring permits. In addition, because the cabinet contracts a significant portion of work to consultants and contractors, the Cabinet may require that appropriate consultant and contractor staff undergo approved work zone traffic management training in order to obtain prequalification status.”

And…

“All designers, whether state employees or consultants, who are involved in the development or design of a project TTCP shall have, within the last 5 years, completed a approved training course in work zone traffic control within the last 5 years. The Statewide Work Zone Review Committee will be the approval authority for these courses.”

For clarification, any consultant who develops at minimum a Temporary Traffic Control Plan, TTCP, must be current with this specific training within the last 5 years. A TTCP is required for almost every project that the cabinet puts out for letting. Consultants wanting to be considered for selection would need to send those individuals on their staff who develop TTCPs to the training. While the Cabinet at this time will not formally require the training for prequalification status, it will be a determining factor for selection.

Dates/Locations for TMP Training:
• January 11 – Kentucky Dam Village
• Feb. 15 – Rough River
• Mar 2 – General Butler
• Mar 15 – Somerset
• May 4 – Jenny Wiley
• May 24 – Frankfort
• May 31 – Frankfort

Currently, registration for Kentucky Dam Village is open - register here for that class!