Standards & Specifications Committee Needs Your Input

The draft sections of the updated chapter standard specifications have been posted on the website for review and comment by the membership. The comment period is open until November 30, 2016. A vote to adopt the revised sections is expected in early 2017.

Along with the draft sections, the powerpoint presentation used to explain the updates at the October 19 chapter meeting is posted for reference and for instructions on how to provide comments. Other contact information is included: Click for the link to the draft specifications page.

Young Professionals Holiday Social

Wednesday, December 14 from 5:30-7:30
No Other Pub—Free for the first 30 Attendees

SAVE THE DATE
MidAmX in Overland Park, KS
May 24-26
This will be my last article as President before handing off the gavel to Rob Krewson at the Holiday Party on December 13. Rob will do a great job as President as all of you know that have seen him in action. My only advice, don’t blink….As far as 2016 goes, we were very active as always:

**Presidential Initiatives**

*Update Standards and Specs*
- Draft Update is on website for comments

*Successful Organization of 2018 PWX Committee*
- Committee Chairs in place
- Meeting regularly
- MOU Signed

*Increase Young Professional Engagement*
- Event scheduled for summer cancelled

*Increased Participation from Public Sector*
- Great luncheons early in the year—Need to recruit more committee chairs from the public sector

*Increase Membership*
- Membership steady—Expect increase as 2018 approaches

**Annual Partnership Program**—15 Partners in 2016 (listed on previous page)

**Chapter Luncheon Resurgence**
- Great attendance at chapter luncheons starting with a presentation on Complete Streets in Lee’s Summit in February with over 60 attendees
- Continued joint meetings with other organizations like KCITE and ASCE

**MidAmX Committee**
Continues to meet and is on track for a great event in 2017

**Public Works Institute**
2 modules in 2016 (April and October) with more than 60 attendees at each
Thanks to Grandview and Leawood for hosting

*KU Studies*
Joint studies between APWA and KU
Calibration of Runoff Curve Numbers and Rational Runoff Coefficients for The Kansas City Metropolitan Area

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**DELEGATE DETAILS**

FROM JOE JOHNSON

If you haven’t heard, the Chapter is hosting the 2018 PWX along with the Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa Chapters. The Steering Committee has completed recruitment of volunteers to head up all the committees needed to pull off this event. Recently many of you received an email on the fundraising for this event. The Steering Committee worked to get this out early to allow member organizations the ability to contribute to PWX with the flexibility to pay over a 2 to 3 year period. If you or your organization did not receive notice and would like to contribute to PWX, please let me know.

As we enter 2017 we will send a call for volunteers to help staff committees working to make the 2018 PWX a great event. So when you see the email, take a look at the different options and sign up to help with this effort.

Here are other national events in the coming years you can mark on your calendar to attend.

- **2017 NORTH AMERICAN SNOW CONFERENCE**, April 23-26 in DES MOINES, IOWA
- **2017 PWX**, August 27-30, in ORLANDO, FLORIDA
- **2018 NORTH AMERICAN SNOW CONFERENCE**, May 6-9, in INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
- **2018 PWX**, August 26-29, in KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
- **2019 NORTH AMERICAN SNOW CONFERENCE**, May 19-22, in SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
- **2019 PWX**, September 8-11, in SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

At the National level our new Executive Director, Scott Grayson meet with Representative Kevin Yoder(R-KS) September 14 to introduce himself as
Presidents Perspective — cont. from page 2

Development of New Precipitation Frequency Tables for Counties In The Kansas City Metropolitan Area Using NOAA Atlas 14
Rough drafts are complete.

MO-KAN Street Superintendents 
Cooks for Kids for Ronald McDonald House in May

NPWW Luncheon and Awards
More than 300 registered attendees

Another successful Awards Program Year
Dena Mezger - Top Ten Public Works Leader of the Year
Pace Award for the 20th Year

Habitat for Humanity
Annual work day in June, no snow this year

APWA BBQ Challenge
CFS Grand Champion - Rick Walker Head Chef

2016 PWX Minneapolis, MN in August
Approximately 80 attendees from KC Metro Chapter
Great Chapter Dinner Event organized by Rob Krewson

Golf Tournament
Great Turnout, Sponsor Support, and Networking on a Hot Day

Winter Maintenance Supervisors Training
Approximately 80 attendees from KC Metro Chapter

Snow Plow Rodeo and Equipment Expo
Another successful event and well attended

Another successful Awards Program Year
Annual work day in June, no snow this year

Annual Planning Retreat
Vice President Krewson hosted at Westwood City Hall
40 Board Members and Committee Chairs attended

We still have our Holiday Party and Fall Awards program scheduled for December 13 at the Grand Street Café. If you have not registered, please do so soon!

I want to say a special thank you to Rob Kluender and Tim Ross, both of whom will be rotating off the board in 2017, for their years of service and dedication to APWA. I know that both plan on continuing their involvement in the Chapter.

Lastly I just want to remind everyone that we will be hosting PWX in 2018…and all of a sudden, that is right around the corner. We will need lots of volunteers so please sign up on our database if you have not done so yet at http://signup.knod.us/apwapwx/

It has been a pleasure to serve as your President and thanks again for all that you do!

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APWA’ s new Director. At Scott’s invitation, the Congressman joined the House Public Works & Infrastructure Caucus which currently has 13 members.

Scott also served as the moderator in Washington where the Washington, DC office hosted a briefing for Congressional Staff on “Public Works 101” Role in Water Issues. APWA Board members Bill Spearman and APWA GAC member Eric LaBelle lead the briefing.

The City of Kansas City won an award from the Institute of Sustainable Infrastructure. Kansas City Streetcar Project Receives Envision® Platinum Award - Owned by the City of Kansas City and managed by the Kansas City Streetcar Authority recently earned the highest level award in the Envision rating system. This is the first Transit Project and specifically the first streetcar project to receive an Envision Award. Congratulations on this award.

At the National Level membership is at 29,321 and increase of 2% from this time last year. The Chapter membership is holding around 750.

It continues to be a pleasure representing the Chapter as your Delegate and I am looking forward to another year. As always if you have any questions about what is happening at the national level please let me know.

Happy Holidays!
Missouri Passes Design-Build Legislation: Learn to Drive Innovation and Value Through Alternative Procurement

After years of work and advocacy by the A/E/C industry, Design-Build legislation has been signed into law in the state of Missouri, the latest in alternative procurement legislation nationwide. The passage of this legislation represents years of cooperation and collaboration across industry groups to increase procurement options for construction projects.

If owners or design teams are looking to maximize cost effectiveness, compress a schedule, reduce their risk exposure and explore options where the market can drive innovation, Design-Build offers a model worth considering.

With the passage of this legislation, Design-Build is now an option more stakeholders can consider and leverage. As with any industry tool, Design-Build is not the best option for every project, but by understanding how and when to use it, owners may be better able to reduce risk and save money on their projects.

In fact, research conducted by Mark Konchar and Victor Sanvido demonstrated the effectiveness of this project delivery method. They used project-specific data from 351 U.S. building projects and found that Design-Build projects were delivered 33.5 percent faster, had a 6.1 percent lower unit cost and saw cost growth decline by 5.2 percent compared to traditional Design-Bid-Build project delivery.

Design-Build is about public and private collaboration, innovation and efficiency. In this era of on-demand information and rapid technological advances, our industry needs a procurement process that is designed to move and adapt at today’s ever-increasing pace. This alternative procurement model allows projects to compete for the financial and social support needed to do the critical work that’s essential to maintaining and improving our quality of life through necessary infrastructure and development projects.

Download a white paper to learn more about Design-Build as a viable procurement option for infrastructure and development projects in your community.

CALL FOR HOSTS & SPEAKERS IN 2017

The Chapter Meetings Committee is looking for municipal members interested in hosting meetings in 2017. We are need of speakers to present and a room to host the event. If your city would like to host a breakfast or lunch in 2017, contact Joe Burgett at jburgett@gbateam.com.
APWA KC Metro Chapter

Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 13, 2016
5:30—9:00 p.m.

Grand Street Café
4740 Grand Avenue
Kansas City, MO 64112
$50 per person

Evening Highlights
Cocktail Reception and Buffet Dinner
Awards, Appreciations and Lifetime Membership Recognitions
Keynote Address
Ken Cardwell Heart of America Award
Installation of 2017 Officers
Door Prizes from Santa's Helpers

Need additional details, please contact
Julie McNiff at jmeniff@burnsmed.com

Remember to Bring Your Toys-For-Tots
The 2016 tournament was a huge success! On September 20, 120 golfers enjoyed unseasonably warm weather and golf at Prairie Highlands in Olathe, Kansas. Thank you to our tournament sponsors, players, volunteers and companies that provided donations! Congrats to the tournament winners:

Flight A
1st - Aerotek, 2nd - Emery Sapp & Sons, 3rd - Forterra

Flight B
1st - Shafer Kline Warren, 2nd - HNTB, 3rd - Burns & McDonnell

Flight C
1st - BHC Rhodes, 2nd - HDR, 3rd – Garver

Putting Contest – Andy Leak
Longest Putt – Caitlyn Cook and Doug Pratt

Closest to the Pin – Therese Vink and John Fox
Longest Drive – Heidi Thummel and Jake Strecker

Special thank you to the Golf Committee – Jason Hanson, Therese Vink, Heidi Thummel, Ozzy Bravo and Melissa Thomson!
2017 PLANNING RETREAT

President-elect, Rob Krewson hosted the 2017 Chapter Planning Retreat on Thursday, October 13. Thank you to the City of Westwood for allowing the chapter the use of the Community Room to hold this event again. Approximately 30 chapter leaders and committee chairs attended the morning retreat to report on the outstanding things the chapter has done in 2016 and to lay plans for 2017. Retreat highlights included:

- President Bill Stogsdill provided the 2016 Year in Review report
- Past President Tim Ross provided the Nomination Committee’s 2017 slate of officers and directors for 2017
- Vice President Rob Krewson laid out his vision and focus for the chapter in 2017 which includes:
  1) Membership Growth
  2) Hosting a successful MidAmX
  3) Prepare for the 2018 PWX in Kansas City
- Brad Patterson, APWA Chapter Membership Manager, provided an organization wide update and reminder of resources and assistance available to all chapters including KCMetro
- Teri Newhouse, APWA Director of Finance, gave helpful information related to contracts, insurance and accounting practices
- Treasurer Dan Brown and Audit and Budget Chair Alysen Abel gave an update on committee budgets and best practices for collecting and receiving chapter funds
- Awards Co-Chair Becky Bonebrake gave an update on Chapter Awards and reminded all committees to submit their committee year-end reports which are included with our PACE award application
- Director Tim Morgan gave an update and overview on how to access and use the chapter website and chapter Facebook page
- Finally each committee provided a brief overview of their activity in 2016 and plans for 2017.

Thank you to all those that were able to attend and help make our planning meeting a success. Anyone not able to attend or who would like to learn more about what was discussed can access the documents in the chapter website’s document library in the 2017_Planning Retreat folder or contact Rob Krewson.
Public Works Module II, Public Works Supervision Skills —from Larry Frevert

The Kansas City Metro APWA Chapter’s Public Works Institute experienced record participation during the October 11-13 session. Sixty-five public works supervisors, managers, leaders and others aspiring to those types of positions attended Module II, Public Works Supervision Skills. This module was held at the Lodge in Ironwoods Park, Leawood. Appreciation is expressed to Leawood’s Public Works Director, Joe Johnson, for coordinating complimentary usage of the Lodge and to the City of Leawood for usage of this wonderful facility thus allowing the Chapter to offer this valuable three day training for only $250. On the final day, attendance certificates were presented to the attendees, just before the following photo was taken:

*Left to Right and Front to Back:* Marcus Hankins (Raytown), Larry Frevert (PWI Director), Sarah Jones (Grandview), Chad Elliott (Belton), Brandon Moore (Grandview), Cassie Cunningham (Harrisonville), Ted Semadeni (Lenexa), Cynthia Moeller-Kress (Shawnee), Alicia Herbert (Kansas City, MO), Steve Robbins (Lee’s Summit), Clyde Cameron (Riverside), Clara Haenchen (Jefferson City), Abbie Aldridge (Fairway), Albert Whitsler (UGWYCO/KCK), Daniel Vandenbos (Roeland Park), David Wright (Olathe), Don Tyler (Belton), Tim Underwood (Jackson Co.), Chip Voigts (Lenexa), Greg Smith (Olathe), Nick Lightner (Lee’s Summit), Terri Dexter (Lenexa), Craig Murphy (Lenexa), Eric Nobert (UGWYCO/KCK), Rick Allen (Fairway), Jody Demaline (Gardner), Randy Sellers (Lenexa), Jeff McGill (Raytown), Vern Fowler (Raytown), John Pack (UGWYCO/KCK), Cody Ferris (Edgerton), Shawn Stumpe (Jefferson City), Mark Newell (Olathe), Shawn Graff (Lee’s Summit), Taylor Cox (Lee’s Summit), Jeff Kuhne (Owensville), Chuck Aldridge (Fairway), Stephen Fisher (Jefferson City), Jeffery McCoy (Belton), Steven Craig (Olathe), Roby Bielak (Merriam), Patrick Martin (Grain Valley), Hidden* Kyle Fleeman (Overland Park), Jeffrey Anderson (UGWYCO/KCK), Donald Bays (Belton), Chad Moberly (UGWYCO/KCK), Dennis Torrence (Overland Park), Oscar Buelos (Lenexa), Jim Boyer (Spring Hill), Todd Veeman (Merriam), Ron Harper (Roeland Park), Bryan Holt (Raytown), Todd Rehg (Webster Groves), Gale Lawson (Belton), Jesse Rhynerson (Overland Park), Frank Peoples (Leawood), Rick Roberts (Olathe), Gary Dupus (Belton), Ryan Hays (Leawood), Lyman Braden (Grandview), Aaron Oliphant (Riverside), Craig Sullivan (Olathe), Kevin West (Kansas City), Christopher Porras (Shawnee) (Not pictured — Rita Cassida (APWA) and Travis Walker (Raytown))

Thanks also to the talented and dedicated members of the KC Metro Chapter and the region who served as presenters for Module I. They were:

- Chuck Williams
- Bill Ebel
- Sheila Shockey
- Amanda Keller
- Mary Jaeger
- Michele Biddison
- Joe Johnson
- Tony Hofman
- Dena Mezger
- Howard Mann
- Kevin LaPointe
- Michael Shaw
- Bill Ramsey
- Keith Duncan
- Jeff Fisher
The KC Metro APWA Chapter’s Public Works Institute is one of 18 authorized by APWA to provide training in public works supervision, management and leadership consistent with a curriculum focused on 11 core units of instruction presented in 90 hours of class time. The 11 core units include:

1. Supervisory Techniques and Skills
2. Basic Management Skills
3. Communications Skills
4. Leadership Skills
5. Community Service/Customer Orientation Skills
6. Impact of Law on Public Works
7. Fundamentals of Government
8. Finance
9. Resource Management Skills
10. Overview of Public Works Operations
11. Creating the Future

Sixteen of the Fall 2016 Module II attendees completed their fourth module of the training and will, along with nine who finished in the spring of 2016, be recognized as Public Works Institute graduates at the Chapter’s Holiday Party December 13. The sixteen attendees finishing the 90 hour curriculum this spring were:

1. Jeffrey Anderson – UGWYC/KCK
2. Donald Bays – Belton
3. Roby Bielak – Merriam
4. James Boyer – Spring Hill
5. Rita Cassida – APWA
6. Steven Craig – Olathe
7. Gary Dupus – Belton
8. Chad Elliott – Belton
9. Marcus Hankins – Raytown
10. Vernon Fowler – Raytown
11. Gale Lawson – Belton
12. Cynthia Moeller-Krass – Shawnee
13. Mark Newell – Olathe
14. Todd Rehg – Webster Groves
15. Todd Veeman – Merriam
16. Albert Whitaker – UGWYCO/KCK

The following are some photos taken during the three days of April 2016 training - all photos can be viewed at http://kcmetro.apwa.net/PageDetails/10332:

On Tuesday morning, Leawood Public Works Director Joe Johnson welcomed the class to the Lodge at Ironwoods Park and later that day presented on the topic of Conducting Effective Meetings. Bill Stogsdill, Fairway Public Works Director and KC Metro Chapter President also greeted the class Tuesday morning on behalf of the Chapter and later in the week presented on the topic of Emergency Management. Kyle Fleeman of Overland Park, who was blocked out in the group photo, received his certificate of attendance from PWI Director Larry Frevert while Chapter President Bill Stogsdill looks on.
Rita Cassida (APWA), who was absent when the group photo was taken is shown receiving her attendance certificate from PWI Director Larry Frevert while Chapter President Bill Stogsdill looks on.

Following his presentation on Organizational Assessment, Keith Duncan chatted with Travis Walker (Raytown) who was absent when the group photo was taken. Chip Voigts (Lenexa), Steve Robbins (Lee’s Summit) and Albert Whitaker (UGWYCO/KCK).

Sixteen attendees at this Public Works Institute have completed all four PWI modules and will be honored at the KC Metro APWA Chapter's Holiday Party as Public Works Institute graduates.

KC Metro Chapter APWA is Social

To receive the most up to date information about recent and upcoming events and network with other KC Metro Chapter APWA members, like us on Facebook! Just login and search for “KC Metro Chapter APWA”!

Public Works Institute Module III – Public Works Management Fundamentals has been scheduled for April 4-6, 2017 in Independence. Watch for advance notice in a future edition of PubNews and on the KCAPWA website: http://kcmetro.apwa.net/
**Chapter Leadership**

**KC APWA 2016 Officers**
- President: Bill Stogsdill
- Vice President: Rob Krewson
- Secretary: Jason Meyers
- Treasurer: Dan Brown
- Past President: Tim Ross
- Director (2nd Year): Cory Clark
- Director (2nd Year): Shawn Graff
- Director (1st Year): Kyle Diekmann
- Director (1st Year): Tim Morgan
- Director-At-Large: Robert Kluender
- Delegate: Joe Johnson

**APWA 2016 Committee Chairs**
- Audit & Budget: Alysen Abel
- Awards: Tony Meyers and Becky Bonebrake
- By-Laws: Tim Ross
- Chapter Meetings: Joe Burgett
- Communications and Publicity: Caitlin Gard
- Community Service: Shawn Graff
- Diversity: Abdul Yahaya
- Education & Training: S. Joji Calabro
- Emerging Leaders: Rob Kline
- Engineering & Technology: Michael Haake
- Facilities & Grounds: Tom Audley
- Fleet Services: Howard Mann
- Golf Tournament: Tawn Nugent
- Governmental Affairs: Travis Levitt & Joab Ortiz
- Historical: Ernie Longoria
- Holiday Party: Julie McNiff
- K-12 Student Outreach: David Smalling
- Leadership & Management: Nick Arena
- Membership: Matt Spencer
- Membership BBQ & Steak Fry: Brian Ladd
- Mo-Kan Public Works Association: Robert Kluender
- Myron D. Calkins Scholarship: Shannon Jeffries & Phil Herrman
- National Public Works Week: Dan Brown
- Nominating Committee: Tim Ross
- Past President Committee: Tim Ross
- Snow & Equipment Training Expo: Chris Porras
- Standards & Specifications: Dena Mezger
- Student Chapter: Aaron Castro & Tim Cope
- Sustainable Infrastructure: Ann Schroer & Brenda Macke
- Transportation: Jaclyn White
- Utility & Public Right-of-Way: John Cooper
- Water Resources Management: Chad Johnson

**Appointments, Liaisons, and Coordinators**
- ACEC-APWA Liaison: John Skubal
- Calendar/Events Coordinator: Karen Scherer
- Joint Engineers Council: Howard Lubliner
- MCIB/KCMMB: Todd LaTorella
- Solid Waste Management: Lisa McDaniel

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