Surveying Engineering Technology Industrial Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2013

Attendees: David Brandt, Carlton Brown, David Cook, Knud Hermansen, Ray Hintz, Claire Kiedrowski, Scot MacDonald, Joe McNichols, Louis Morin, Rich Vannozzi

11 SVT students received $700 scholarships from Foundation accounts Stanley (7), Ferguson (4), and Shyka (1). Excellent returns are expected in this next year on all foundation accounts due to positive market. The Rhode Island society recently contributed $1000 to their foundation account.

2 SVT’s graduated in December and 10 will graduate in May. All have accepted positions.

The Dean has put the proposed SVT MS degree on hold because the University of Maine system can only legally provide distance education to 8 states. He is hoping the system’s legal team can correct this problem in an efficient fashion.

Claire proposed to talk casually with Chancellor Page on the SVT MS “hold” issue.

Forestry has tentatively approved a proposed dual forestry/SVT BS degree. The degree will be ABET accredited. It will now be proposed to SET for approval.

A discussion on recruiting efforts centered on state society and local surveyor presence in high school career days.

Rob Garster will be the next honorary Crowe recipient.

Preparation and IAC participation in an ABET visit fall 2014 was discussed.

The following changes/additions to IAC were discussed:

2. David Humphrey would be asked to serve as the MALSCE representative to IAC.
3. Tara Hartson would be asked to serve as an SVT graduate who is licensed and practicing in Maine.
4. Ed O’Brien or SVT graduate Sam Suorsa will be asked to serve as the Rhode Island representative replacing David Hilbern.