

**Proposed Education Projects**

The Sedimentation Education Committee met in the Ground Floor Hearing Room of the Archdale Building on April 28, 2010, in Raleigh. Minutes from this meeting are attached.

We anticipate that the legislature's budget will propose an allocation of \$139,540.00 to be used for FY10-11. The funding recommendations of the SEC to the SCC from the April 28, 2008 meeting are as follows:

Local Programs Workshops:	\$	65,918.00
Four Workshops for Design Professionals:	\$	28,472.00
Production of Sediments Newsletter	\$	17,020.00
Western NC ES&TC Demo Site	\$	<u>19,550.00</u>
	\$	130,960.00

The remaining unencumbered amount would be \$8,580.00.

North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission  
Education Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Archdale Building, Raleigh, NC  
April 28, 2010

Committee Members Attending:

Dr. Joe Kleiss, Chairman  
Mr. Buzz Bryson  
Dr. Maurice Cook  
Mr. David Harris  
Ms. Kelly Porter  
Mr. Ralph Stout  
Mr. Mike Goodson (via teleconference)

Others Attending:

Mr. Mell Nevils  
Ms. Gray Hauser  
Ms. Jana Vo

Dr. Kleiss opened the meeting with introductions.

Mr. Nevils discussed the projected budget available for FY 2010-2011. He noted that the Governor's Proposed Budget cuts include \$62,660 from the Sedimentation Education Funds, resulting in \$139,540 remaining for allocation by this committee.

Ms. Porter recused herself from voting on the WRI proposals for the "Support for Four Workshops to Train Design Professionals" and for the "Support for Annual Workshop and Banquet for Local Programs. Dr. Kleiss recused himself from voting on all of the proposals due to his affiliation with NC State.

At Dr. Kleiss's request, Ms. Porter presented the first of the proposals from the Water Resources Research Institute (WRI) for the four workshops for design professionals. After a brief discussion of the budget with respect to previous years, Ms. Porter summarized the differences in this year's proposal from previous years. The proposal this year includes a partnership with Dr. McLaughlin to provide classroom and field demonstration instruction on turbidity for one day of the two day workshops and the limitation on class size to 80 participants. Following discussion, Mr. Stout made a motion to approve the WRI proposal for the "Support for Four Workshops to Train Design Professionals" at \$28,472.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryson and approved unanimously.

Next, Ms. Porter presented the contract funding the annual local programs awards workshop. Ms. Porter noted that this year's proposal was for \$10,000 less than last year's contract due to locating less expensive facilities to hold the workshop. After some discussion Mr. Bryson made a motion to approve the WRI proposal "Support for Annual Workshop and Banquet for Local Programs" at \$65,918.00. Dr. Cook seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Ms. Vo discussed the proposal to fund the continuation of the "Sediments newsletter" and presented staff's recommendation that we reduce the production of the newsletter from quarterly to semi-annually. Ms. Vo noted that there are currently only approximately 500 subscribers to the newsletter online, nearly ten percent of the subscribers when the newsletter

was printed. Committee members noted that we currently have no indication of how many people are viewing the newsletter from the website. There was considerable discussion on ways to increase the number of subscribers and also regarding additional avenues of communication such as social media sites or the section website. Mr. Bryson made a motion to request that NC State resubmit a proposal for 2 issues per year, with a separate line item for emailing summaries of the SCC meetings to the Sediments listserve in between those issues. Mr. Stout seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Staff discussed the final proposal before the committee which was to fund construction of a “Western NC Erosion, Sediment, and Turbidity Control Demonstration Site.” If constructed the site would be utilized at next year’s E&SC workshops and would provide a site in the western part of the state similar to the Sediment and Erosion Control Research and Demonstration Facility at the Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory. Mr. Nevils noted that this proposal was in concept form and the budget was estimated and would need to be fine-tuned before a contract was made. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cook made a motion to approve the concept of the proposal for construction of a “Western North Carolina Erosion, Sediment, and Turbidity Control Demonstration Site” at a estimated cost of \$19,500. Mr. Goodson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The next two meetings of the Sedimentation Education Committee were set for Wednesday, August 4, 2010 and Tuesday October, 5, 2010 at 10 am in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor conference room of the Archdale Building in Raleigh, NC.

With no further business or discussion, Dr. Kleiss adjourned the meeting.

Minutes recorded by Janalyn Vo.