

Tennessee Structural Engineers Association

Minutes of the
State Board of Directors meeting
Friday August 17, 2012
9:00 AM CDT
By Conference Call



Board Members	Office	Attendance
Eugene Adams	President	Present
Otto Schwarz	V. President	Present
David Cartwright	Treasurer	Present
Andy Milligan	Secretary	Present
Stephen Shearer	Past President	Present
Robert Paullus	Delegate	Present
Logan Meeks	Delegate	Present
Jason Perry	At Large	Present

Call to Order

The president Eugene Adams called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM CDT.

New Business

The meeting consisted of general discussions of two topics, the building code for Memphis and Shelby County, and the upcoming TNSEA state conference. No motions were made.

An informative discussion of the current building code in Memphis and Shelby County was led primarily by Robert Paullus with key points as follows:

- The current law requires IBC 2003 for essential facilities only.
- Other construction defaults to 1999 SBC with Appendix L known as the Tomasello Amendment which lowers accelerations to lower than SBC 99.
- State Fire Marshall has notified Memphis and Shelby County of their violation of state law.
- A bill is being introduced to modify the state law to exempt west Tennessee from the requirements of the state building code.
- TNSEA should seek guidance from State Board of Architects and Engineers on recommending compliance with local code which is in violation of state law.
- We should make this a topic for discussion at the state conference.
- TNSEA should issue a policy statement concerning this matter.
- A round table discussion including Brian Blake from QUSEC and legal representation from the State Board of A&E could address the ethics of this matter. This could take place at the proposed state wide conference.
- ACEC needs to be made aware of this situation.
- Robert will prepare a preliminary position statement concerning Memphis codes.

Progress on planning the state wide conference was presented by David Carpenter:

- A preliminary agenda for the conference was distributed this morning for comments. Everyone to provide comments to David Carpenter by Monday. See attachments.

- Conduct state TNSEA business Thursday night.
- Have round table discussions on Friday.
- Issues which could lead to a vote by the membership should be summarized and sent to the membership for consideration with a vote to follow after sufficient time to allow the membership to digest the matter, rather than try to gather a vote during the conference.
- Bob Paullus to lead the discussion on the Memphis code issue.
- Proposal from Music City Sheridan for convention.
- Our goal is to get 10-12 vendor/sponsors to set up booths. Seven vendors at \$500 are committed. Preliminary projections were for 20-25 people on Thursday night and 80 on Friday. 40 to 50 are expected just from Middle Tennessee.
- Comments on the program and accommodation proposal are to be furnished to David by Monday morning (8/20/12).
- The Code Advisory committee should pick up this issue.

The Member Organization (MO) delegate packet has been sent to each region to be returned to Otto.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.



Andy H. Milligan, Secretary

Attachments:

Preliminary conference agenda.
Proposal from Music City Sheridan
Email comments from board members.



Proposal

Tennessee Structural Engineers Association
Regional Chapter Meeting
September 6 and 7, 2012

Meeting Room Requirements:

McGavocks Ballroom: 4,618 square feet, 12 ft. ceilings.

Cheekwood Boardroom-Rental Waived with \$600.00 food and beverage Contribution-(Dinner)

- **Meeting Room Rental: \$1000.00+-Discounted 50% with Food and Beverage Minimum as listed.**
- **Estimated Food and Beverage: Minimum:\$5500.00++: Includes:**
- **Dinner on 9/6/2012, Continental Breakfast, (2) Breaks, Buffet Lunch.**
- **Audio Visual-Projector Support Package: Screen, Power Cart and Cords, Sound Patch:\$205.00++**

Concessions:

Free Parking

Free Shuttle Service from the Airport and within a 3 mile radius. Taxi Service is also available at an additional cost.

50% Discount on Meeting Space.

Double SPP Points if booked before July 31, 2012.

(10) Complimentary Linens for Vendor Tables, skirting at a discounted price if required.

All prices are subject to a 24% service charge and 9.25% tax

Audio Visual is included in the above pricing.

Thank you for inquiring with us! We'd love to host your meeting at our beautiful property. Please let me know if I can secure arrangements for you, and I'll be happy to generate a contract.

Thank you again,
Leisa Recabo

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“I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you and the staff of the Sheraton Music City Hotel for living up to the promise you made to *‘make me look good’*. You fulfilled that promise and my first meeting with HCA was a huge success. ----- Sorey”

“Throughout the conference we overwhelmed the client with pride and hospitality. It was extremely difficult for them to only recognize 3 team members, because they knew everything and everyone is all part of a bigger picture or *‘The Greater Good’* -----Hester”

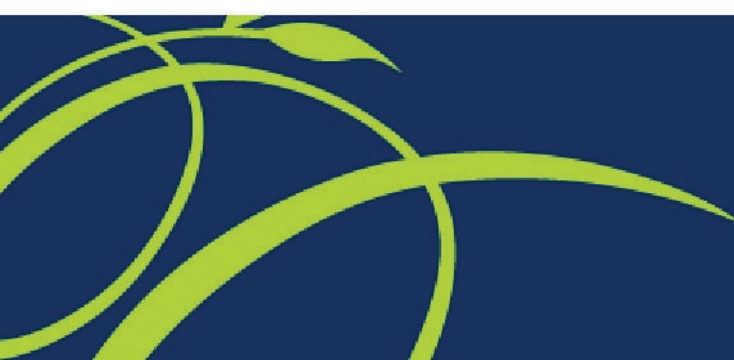
Hotel Information

Room Tax: 15.25% plus \$2.50 per room night
Banquet Service Charge: 24% (this amount is taxable at 9.25% sales tax)

Average Prices of Banquet Menus

Continental Breakfast: \$18.00 | Hot Buffet Breakfast: \$27
AM Breaks: \$12.00 | PM Breaks: \$14.00
Lunch range: \$27.00-\$34.00
Dinner range: \$33.00-\$52.00

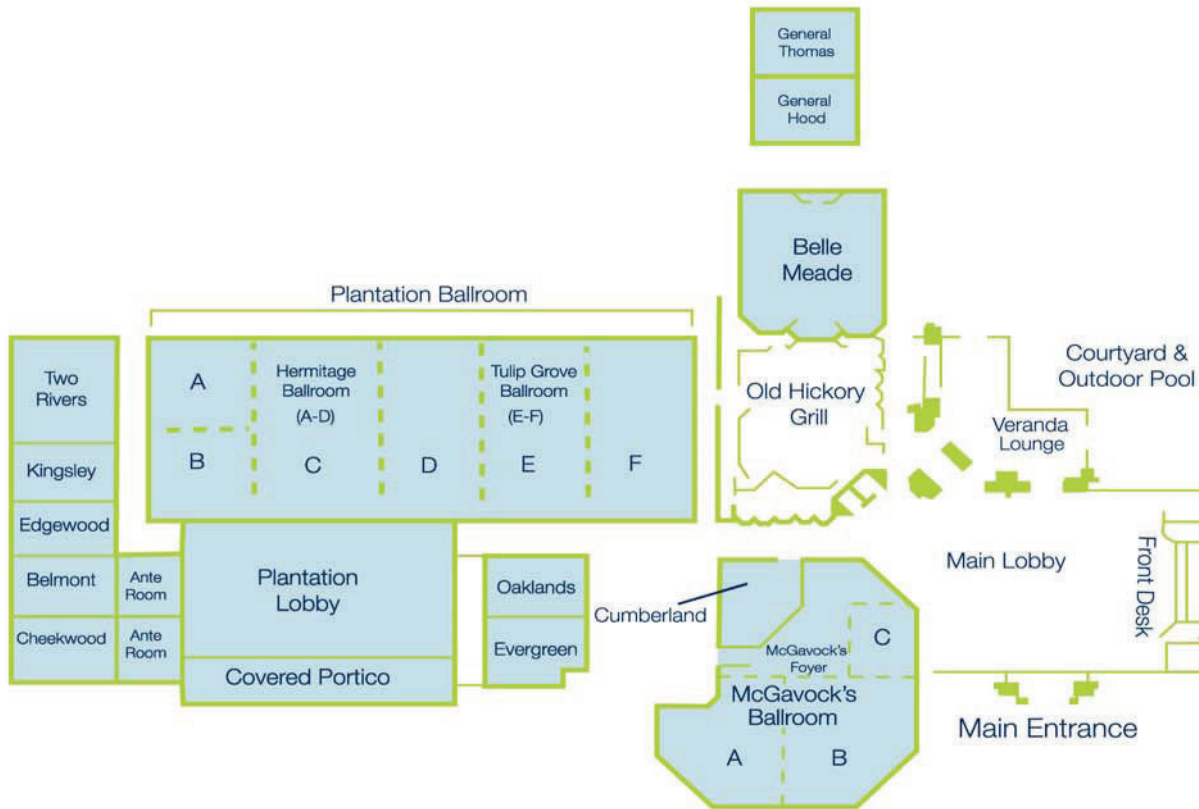
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ROOM DIMENSIONS AND SEATING CAPACITY

Room Name	Square Feet	Dimensions	Height	Banquet	Theater	Reception	Classroom	U-Shape	Square	Conference
PLANTATION BALLROOM*	11,160	186' X 60'	16'	800	1300	975	600	-	-	-
HERMITAGE BALLROOM	6,900	115' X 60'	16'	500	750	600	360	-	68	-
HERMITAGE A	1,155	35' X 33'	16'	70	108	95	52	26	36	28
HERMITAGE B	945	35' X 27'	16'	50	88	80	40	26	36	28
HERMITAGE C	2,700	45' X 60'	16'	180	286	225	144	58	76	44
HERMITAGE D	2,100	35' X 60'	16'	150	270	175	108	54	68	44
TULIP GROVE BALLROOM	4,200	70' X 60'	12'	300	495	350	216	-	-	-
TULIP GROVE E	2,100	35' X 60'	12'	150	270	175	108	54	68	44
TULIP GROVE F	2,100	35' X 60'	12'	150	240	175	108	50	60	44
PLANTATION LOBBY	4,940	52' X 95'	12'	300	-	410	-	-	-	-
TWO RIVERS	1,360	40' X 34'	10'	100	150	115	80	34	44	28
KINGSLEY	600	30' X 20'	10'	40	80	50	32	22	28	20
EDGEWOOD	600	30' X 20'	10'	40	80	50	32	22	28	20
BELMONT	782	34' X 23'	10'	60	90	65	48	30	36	28
CHEEKWOOD	782	34' X 23'	10'	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
OAKLANDS	805	35' X 23'	10'	50	90	60	40	30	36	28
EVERGREEN	805	35' X 23'	10'	50	90	60	40	30	36	28
CUMBERLAND	496	18' X 26'	10'	30	50	40	24	16	20	16
MCGAVOCK'S BALLROOM	4,618	76' X 81'	12'	300	450	385	240	-	-	-
MCGAVOCK'S A	1,137	47' X 33'	12'	60	100	95	48	38	44	36
MCGAVOCK'S B	2,112	47' X 48'	12'	150	260	175	104	46	60	52
MCGAVOCK'S C	551	29' X 19'	12'	40	64	45	32	22	28	20
MCGAVOCK'S FOYER	818	28' X 36'	12'	-	-	70	-	-	-	-
BELLE MEADE	3,000	50' X 60'	10'	170	192	250	88	50	60	52
GENERAL THOMAS	567	21' X 27'	9'	30	60	50	28	22	28	20
GENERAL HOOD	567	21' X 27'	9'	30	60	50	28	22	28	20

*Combined Hermitage and Tulip Grove Ballrooms

**Classroom sets are calculated using 4 chairs per 8 ft. table and rounds of 10.