

SEAM

MEETING MINUTES

November 15th, 2024

12:00 pm



Type of Meeting: Monthly Board Meeting (Remote)

Meeting Facilitator: Ian Riley

Attendees: Ian Riley, Tony Dumais, Matt Paladino

Note: **RED** means there is an action item for this person.

Roll call

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Review of last seminar

1. UMaine Alford Arena (**IR**)
 - a. Good, small attendance
2. Water St Bridge Tour (**SW**)
 - a. Good attendance, made profit

Priority Items

1. Financial updates, P&L statement (**MP**)
 - a. Profit more or less equals Loss over the last year.
 - b. Membership dues will be increased next year (haven't increased for a while)
2. To-do:

October

- **Budget submitted to Board of Directors by 15th by Treasurer**

November

- **None**

December

- **Eric Cobb Scholarship Fund - last contribution was on January 2023 for \$3000.00.**

SEAM will contribute \$3,000 to fund.

3. Review and planning of possible future SEAM seminars
4. Review and planning of possible combined endeavors with ACEC or SEER (**MP, GC**)

5. ACEC Government Affairs Committee
6. MUBEC board
 - a. MUBEC code change to ICC 2021 in early 2025.
 - b. Need to determine the grace period
7. NECSEA Committee
 - a. Meeting with Northeast Delegates 11/21/24
8. NCSEA Summit update (TD)
 - a. Keynote speaker on AI and how it will start to infiltrate into our profession
 - i. Mostly will be used for repetitive, mundane tasks
 - ii. “Cookie cutter” buildings will be the first to use AI for design
 - b. IBC 2024 Code changes
 - i. Biggest impact will be for snow loads
 1. 50% increase or decrease in some areas of the country
 2. Maine will most likely see reductions in a lot of areas
 - ii. All Risk Category III & IV buildings east of the Rockies will have to be designed for tornados

Secondary Items (Reminders)

- Review of SEAM bylaws, [Bylaws | SEAM](#)
- Google drive
 - a. Board folder on google drive
- SEAM social media accounts
 - a. Facebook
 - b. LinkedIn
 - c. Add upcoming webinars and seminars to events on social media
- SE2050
 - a. SEI goals for 2050; [SE2050](#)
- Misc
 - a. Maine structural engineering awards
 - b. SEA Grant Program
 - i. Snow loads for “Case Study” areas.

New Business

Open Discussion

Adjournment

Seminar Planning 2024

Month	Topic	Type	In-Person/ Virtual	Person
Spring 2025	UMaine 3D Printing Composites		In-Person	Matt
Spring 2025	Colby Dormitory		In-Person	Matt
Feb 2025	Roux Institute Foundations		In-Person	Matt
	Kone Elevator – Structural Specifics			
TBD	Vertical Harvest Part 2	E	In-Person	Greg
TBD	Blue Hill Falls Bridge Site Tour	E	In-Person	Ian
	2021 IBC Changes – Buddy Showalter			
TBD	SEER CALOES Training, Michael Fallon	E	In-Person	Greg/Ian
2025	2021 Code Updates	H/F	Webinar?	Ian
TBD	Historic Building Analysis			Greg

Key:

F = Full day event

H = Half Day event

L = Lunch event

E = Evening event