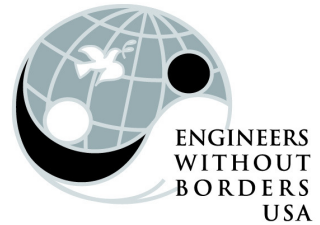


**Engineers Without Borders – USA  
Puget Sound Professional Chapter  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**



6:00 pm - September 27, 2007  
GeoEngineers  
600 Stewart St, Suite 1700, Seattle

Attendees: Dave Cook, Wan-Yee Kuo, Dan Goering, Christina Avolio, Victor Yagi, Jerry Walton, Sarah Mann, Brian Tracy, Kari Vigerstol, Ken Ludwa, Robert Stumberger, Philippe Arida (via phone)

Absent:

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**Next Executive Committee Meeting:** October 24th, 6 pm at GeoEngineers

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**EWB 2008 International Conference**

EWB 2008 International Conference will take place March 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> at the University of Washington. Bill Gates, Sr will be the key note speaker. Sponsor letters will go out soon to companies. Local sponsor chapters are responsible for raising \$50,000. Puget Sound Professionals responsible for 1/3 of this or ~ \$14,000. Sponsoring local chapters and focals are:

Chapter	Focal:
Puget Sound Professionals	- Peter Sturtevant
Seattle University	- Phil Thompson
University of Washington	- Jonathan Miller

**Membership**

Philippe has no time right now to work membership tasks. If he continues to be too busy, he may need to resign and will let the EC know next month.

**Sustainability**

Project selection process and handbook are nearly ready. Plan to review this material with the EC next month.

**Student Liaison**

U. of Washington student chapter back from a successful implementation trip to Yanayo, Bolivia. UW chapter also looking for volunteers to help with working their UW football game parking fundraising efforts. Volunteers will be rewarded with free admission to the game.

WSU is looking at a project in Kenya that would involve construction of a 17-mile pipeline.

Monthly coordination conference calls will be resuming after being dropped during the summer months.

### **Fundraising Committee**

Jerry Walton is scheduling presentations at key Rotary Clubs around town. He also plans to arrange one-on-one presentations with leaders at key Puget Sound engineering firms. Victor Yagi pointed out that we need to establish an annual budget so know what our fundraising targets need to be. International have just concluded their fundraising cycle and now is a good time for EWB Puget Sound to present our work in Ethiopia for possible funding.

### **Projects – Susudel**

Feasibility study is complete. Will plan a site assessment trip within the next several months to examine the proposed water tributary diversion. Project lead should present to the EC next month and should use the new sustainability project evaluation process.

### **Projects – Architects Without Borders**

Christina is pursuing collaboration with Architects Without Borders (AWB). AWB is working with Habitat for Humanity and also has project developing individual family housing in Nicaragua.

### **Web Site**

EC approved spending for web site improvements.

### **Action Items Summary**

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| Dave Cook          | 1 | Thank-you letters to our 2007 financial supporters (Landau, RW Beck)                       |
| Philippe Arida (?) | 1 | Draft thank-you letter from our local chapter to be sent to members who pay national dues. |
|                    | 2 | Continue working move of our email distribution to the web site member database            |
| Dan Goering        | 1 | Get bids for web improvement work  |