

Allentown Chapter C.S.I.

19 May 2010

Board Meeting Minutes

Members	Attendees	Members	Attendees
Brad Teeters, President Electronic Communications Co., Educ. Co. Membership Advancement	X	Matthew Baker, Director	
David Wrigley, President-Elect, Programs	X	Chuck Kelly, Director	X
Tina Montone, Vice-President, Publicity Co., Punchlist		Keith Bush, Director	X
David Fenstermacher, Secretary	X	James Petro, Director	X
Mark Nattress, Treasurer		LeeAnn Slattery, Director, Hospitality, Memb.Adv.	
David Hausman, Sr. Advisor, Publicity Co., Scholarship Co.	X	John Cannon, Scholarship Co.	X
Roxanne Verrastro, Advisor, Technical, Historian		Josh Grice, Membership	
John Sweigart, Past-president, Advisor, Awards, Academic Affairs	X	Mitch Miller, Certification, LRP	X
Sal Verrastro, Membership Advancement		Rob Sarnowski, Education Co-chair	X
		Eric Lussier, Electronic Communications Co.	X

The Allentown Chapter CSI Board of Directors met on Wednesday, 19 May 2010 at the Holiday Inn, Fogelsville, PA

President Brad Teeters called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

Board Minutes:

The minutes from the March 2010 Board meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Reports dated 3/31/2010 and 4/30/2010 were distributed and reviewed. After discussion the reports were deferred until audit.

Committee Reports:

Program: David Wrigley

June 16, 2010 Meeting at the Holiday Inn, Fogelsville, PA; Membership Appreciation & Awards Night; "The Ins and Outs of Recycling Construction Materials-Where Does It Go"; Tabletop: Windsor One(tentative), New Product Tabletop: Fessenden Hall (tentative).

July 21 2010 Family Summer Picnic.

Aug. 18, 2010 Iron Pigs Outing with ABC.

Sept. 15, 2010 Meeting at the Holiday Inn, Fogelsville, PA; "Designing Spaces For Cultural Change"

Oct. 20, 2010 Plant Tour, possibly in conjunction with AIA;

Hospitality: Lee Ann Slattery

Linda Baker will not be able to accept position as Hospitality Co-chair.
Brad reported that the picnic will tentatively be held at Rascals.

Technical: Roxanne Verrastro

No Report

Education: Rob Sarnowski and Brad Teeters

No report

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Scholarship: John Cannon and Dave Hausman

Two applications were received and both were deemed worthy of scholarship awards by the committee. Angela Nunez will be awarded the Frank Geho Scholarship and Ellen Rosenfeld will be awarded the Ronald Nattress Scholarship.

Certification: Mitch Miller

No Report

Awards: John Sweigart

Preparing certificates, etc. and the program for the Annual Awards Night on June 16th.
Dave Wrigley stated he is in the process of inviting EXPO Booth Award Winners to attend the June meeting.

Membership: Josh Grice

Crystall Gress is the only new member.
Thinking about a happy hour event at the Allentown Brew Works. Discussion to follow at the next meeting.

Punchlist: Tina Montone

Last issue was sent to all Regional Presidents.
Current issue is "on the boards"; to be released the first week of June; looking for local featured project;
Copies will be made for those attending the Membership Appreciation and Awards night in June.

Academic Affairs: John Sweigart

Sent out information in the beginning of April to three institutions about attending the CSI Convention in Philadelphia.
Urged them to check the CSI website for use by instructors and students.
Included the information about our chapter EXPO on April 21, 2010.
Reminded them about our monthly meetings and about checking our chapter website for additional information.

Publicity: Tina Montone, Dave Hausman

Invitations to Anniversary members to be sent out within the week and anniversary gifts will be ordered.
June meeting to be promoted to other construction related groups: AIA, ABC, DVGBC.

Long Range Planning: Mitch Miller

A meeting was held on April 14, 2010 at ATAS International Inc. There was a good turnout and good discussions were held. The next meeting in the series will be scheduled shortly.

Expo 2010: Dave Wrigley

The Expo enjoyed another very successful year. Dave thanked everyone who served on the committee to help make the event a success. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled shortly.

Electronic Communications: Brad Teeters

Eric Lussier was introduced as the committee co-chair.

Historian: Roxanne Verraastro

Please forward any material to me that you think would be beneficial to add to the filing cabinet, old punch lists, forms, pamphlets...so it can become history!

Directory: Roxanne Verraastro

Next directory is planned for the 2009-10 time-frame; Planning is "in-the-works".

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50th Anniversary Committee for 2013 celebration, Tina Montone; Mitch Miller; Sal Verrastrro

Next meeting will tentatively be scheduled for June.

Fiscal Planning Committee: Mitch Miller, Dave Hausman

Mitch reported that reimbursement information was sent out to all Convention attendees.

Nominating Committee: Dave Hausman

The following slate of officers will be presented in nomination to the membership at the May meeting tonight: President: Dave Wrigley; President Elect: Kristina Montone; Vice-President: LeeAnn Slattery; Treasurer: Mark Nattress; Secretary: David Fenstermacher; Directors Jim Petro, Chuck Kelly. Upon approval and election by the membership, incoming president Dave Wrigley will appoint a member to fulfill the unexpired term of Director LeeAnn Slattery.

Membership Advancement: Brad Teeters, LeeAnn Slattery, Sal Verrastrro

A meeting will be scheduled.

Unfinished Business

- 1.02 A discussion was lead by Senior Advisor Dave Hausman into the potential need to update the chapter Bylaws and the Chapter Policy Manual. After discussion the task of determining the need to form a committee or committees to address these updates is assigned to the Fiscal Planning Committee. **Update May'10:** Dave reported review is in progress.
- 1.03 A discussion was lead by President Teeters regarding a joint effort with the AIA to raise funds to support relief efforts for Haiti. The proposal centered around the donation of \$1,000.00 as a combined effort of the two organizations. John Cannon moved, second by Dave Wrigley, to pursue this philanthropic endeavor by taking a collection tonight in lieu of the traditional 50/50 ticket sales. The difference between the amount collected and \$1,000.00 will then be split between CSI and AIA. The motion receive unanimous approval. **Update Feb'10:** Special website has been established to donate on-line; Amount has been increased to \$4,000. **Update May'10:** A check for \$680.00 was sent to The Fuller Center for Housing; Brad reported it has been acknowledged with a receipt, but not yet recorded.
- 3.01 Dave Wrigley led a discussion on the possibility of trading booths with U.S.G.B.C. for EXPO and their show. This was done last year and was felt to be successful. It was decided to proceed with booth exchange again this year. **Update May'10:** Dave Wrigley reported he will be available to tend the booth for ½ of the day, looking for someone to tend the booth for the remainder.
- 3.02 Mitch Miller informed the Board of an upcoming Institute membership policy which would involve a choice of dividing dues payments into twelve monthly installment in lieu of a lump sum. This is being proposed due to drop in membership primarily resulting from a trend of employers no longer paying member dues. **Update May'10:** Mitch reported that the policy did not pass at the Institute annual meeting.

New Business

- 5.01 Brad reported that he received a request for a donation to support a project for the construction of a homeless shelter in Russia. Mitch suggested that the information be attached to the minutes so that it can be reviewed and discussed next month. The information is attached to these minutes.

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Upcoming Regional and National Events

MARC 2010 to be held in Historic Annapolis, Md., September 23-26, 2010; website: marc2010.org
LOS will be held April 1 & 2, 2011, in Gettysburg.
Convention 2011 will be held in Chicago, September 14-16, 2011.
MARC 2011 will not be held.
MARC 2012 will be held in Richmond.
MARC 2013 will be held in Erie.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dave Hausman, with a second by Chick Kelly.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
David R. Fenstermacher, Secretary

Attachment: Donation request dated May 19, 2010

Election of Officers of FY11

Senior Advisor David Hausman presented the following nominations for chapter officers and directors to the membership present at the monthly meeting of the Allentown Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute on May 19, 2010:

President:	David Wrigley
President-elect	Kristina Montone
Vice President	LeeAnn Slattery
Treasurer	Mark Nattress
Secretary	David Fenstermacher
Director	James Petro
Director	Chuck Kelly

There were no additional nominations from the floor. Keith Bush made a motion the “the nominations be closed”, second by Chick Kelly. David Hausman directed the Secretary to “cast the ballot”. The terms for the newly elected officers and directors will begin July 1, 2010.

Gloria Lewis
84 Noble Street
Kutztown PA 19530
May 19, 2010

Brad Teeters
CSI

Dear Brad,

My name is Gloria Lewis and I am an employee of Modernfold of Reading, Inc. I am writing to you on behalf of my church, Tabernacle Church, to request a donation for a project that is being supported by my church. The project is to build a girls home in Russia so the homeless can find safe shelter, food and most of all, God's comfort, please see attached.

If you are able to donate to this worthy cause, please make checks payable to Micaiah Ministries Inc, and mail to PO Box 1592, Tahlequah, OK, 74465.

Thank you for your time and generosity for those less fortunate.

Warmly,

Gloria Lewis

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Laura, Olga and Maxim



Laura

Laura is 16 years old. In Laura's own words, she "grew up in a family where the father kept customs and traditions of his country." That meant that Laura "had very strict discipline at home." We won't give his background because he was not strict he was abusive. Abuse may or may not be the customs and traditions of his country.

She told us the story of when she came home from school and drank a cup of tea instead of doing her homework immediately, her father got mad and beat her. This was just one of many cases when Laura's father beat her.

She told us, "On that day my mother

after knowing about abuse took a knife and pierced her husband for beating me." Her father got to the hospital and lived, but Laura's mother didn't want him to live with them anymore.

We were also told, "Once Laura saw her father at the stairs of their house and she gave him soup to eat. Her mother saw that and she let Laura and father come in but then she hit Laura's face with a cup and told them to go away. They left. Next day Laura came back to the house but her mother

was never the same to her again."

"In addition her elder brother had always bullied her. She remembers when she was 7 years old her brother took her outside to do something and he stuffed her mouth with cigarettes and he made her drink alcohol. Her mother didn't believe that her brother was abusing her until once as Laura says her brother took a pillow and tried to overlay her."

"Laura started to scream and her mother came to help her. Then, she believed her words."

Because of all of the abuse, Laura didn't want to stay at home, that's why she started running away.

"She made new friends on the streets. She slept in the basements and in the attics. She didn't feel love and acceptance at home but she was welcome on the streets. There on the streets she started smoking and drinking. She met Semyon in the attic and now they expect a baby."

Laura is just one of many girls who come to visit Restoration House. Some stay for long periods of time and others just for a few days. After having experienced life on the streets it is difficult for some to adjust to a structured life. It can take time for



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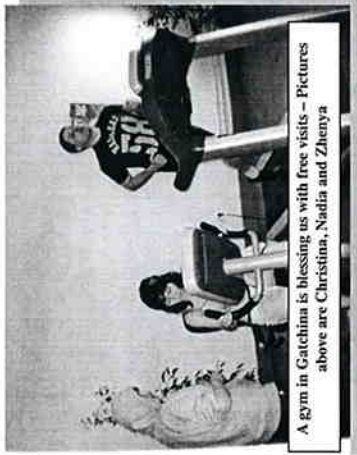
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A gym in Gatchina is blessing us with free visits - Pictures above are Christina, Nadia and Zhenya

who come for a visit to Restoration house see a big positive side in our method of ministering that something that street kids so badly need when they are in crisis.

One girl who is living at Restoration house said: "You believers are crazy. You don't live according to the ways of this world. How is it possible?"

them to re-adjust, but our doors always remain open to them.

Olga wrote this: *Social organizations that help the street kids provide for them ways to get their paper works, to get medical treatment and to get their rooms.*

Our task is not only to help them with the above mentioned but also to help the kids to realize how valuable they are. We help to develop their household skills and communicational skills, give them directions on how to make right priorities in life. We teach them how to build healthy relationships with each other and encourage them to get a vocation and a job.

The foundation for all of that is spiritual regeneration and growth. Social workers

better focus on why he/she is at Restoration House.

I was reminded this week once again of Isaiah 54:1-3. Verse two especially jumped out at me; "Make your tents larger! Spread out the tent pegs; fasten them firmly."

Just this week a grandmother brought Maxim to live at Restoration House. He is 13 and has been using drugs for two years. His father left his mother before he was born and his step-father drinks and is now in prison for beating someone up.

His mother sent him to us asking for help. He is afraid to go to school



Dima enjoying the weight room at the gym

because after deciding to push drugs, he got the drugs to sell but instead took them himself. Now he fears getting beat up or worse.

Please pray for Maxim that God will change his heart and deliver restoration and our staff will work with them to that end.

**Together, we ARE
Making a difference...
Together, we ARE
reaching the world for
Jesus!**

It is important to expand! We need a place for the girls to keep them separated more from the boys. This is important so that each one can

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2010

May 2
Midwest Ministries
Bibby, OK
Pastor Kevin Lewis
918.368.7230

May 5
Victorious Life World Outreach
Park Hill, OK
Pastor Perry Jamison
918.456.6563

May 9 & 12
Abundant Life Fellowship
Tahlequah, OK
Pastor Jay Jones
918.456.0640

May 16
Rock House Church
Catoosa, OK
Pastor Lavonna Ashlock
918.266.7625

May 19
Sugarloaf Christian Fellowship
Poteau, OK
Pastor Les Sorogginis
918.653.3892

May 23
New Life Christian Fellowship
Snyder, OK
Pastor Rick Stevens
918.448.0642

May 26
Living Vine Church
Cherokee, OK
Pastor Matthew Yoder
620.842.2305

May 30
Victorious Life Church
Hutchinson, KS
Pastor Jim Francis
620.665.7947

June 2
Joy Fellowship
Wellington, KS
Pastor Earl Brown
620.326.2669

June 5 & 6
Word of Victory Outreach
Antony, IA
Pastor Brian Ruggles
515.963.8900

To Schedule Meetings in your area call: 918.456.7770 or
E-mail: Micaiahm@aol.com

See more photos on Facebook.com

We wanted to give you an idea in this rough draft of what the new facility will look like. It will be built on the same property as the existing structure at Restoration House.

We will build in such a way that it can be used for a garage/workshop after we are able to purchase more property and have the finances to build a larger place.

Building it on the same site as our existing structure will enable everyone to cook and eat together, but keep the girls and guys apart enough that they will be able to concentrate on their studies. We have already added a second female on staff and will add a third by the completion of the new building. Each group will have their own exercise and activities schedule, yet will be close enough in proximity to be able to do outreaches and attend special events together.

There are work teams scheduled to leave, beginning June 22. We are still in need of a great deal of finances to make this happen. We will build on a cash basis and ask that you would pray concerning what part you will have in this endeavor.

Credit card donations can be made online at www.micaiah.org or by phone: 918.457.9265 or send your check or money order to the address below. **Your gift of any amount will help make a difference!**

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RESTORATION HOUSE

Our desire is to make life at Restoration House as normal as possible for the children!



At the conclusion of a meeting in 2001, a young boy approached us for prayer. His name is Valodia. He looked up and said, "I would like a normal life." Just twelve years old, cold, hungry and frightened, after having been abused by his drunken parents, he was thrown to the streets to fend for himself. We wept together and prayed, and at that moment the writing of James came alive:

Restoration House is already built to meet this need and now other homes are being constructed to supply a home for the street children of Saint Petersburg. We never saw Valodia again, but over the next few years, we started the Gathering Center to help provide for some of the street children and children at risk in Russia. After a couple of years past, ministry partners decided that we must do more, and the vision of Restoration House was birthed into a reality.

Making it Happen:

1. We have completed the first and second phase which was the purchasing of property and building our first home in Nikolskoe, Russia, then building an addition with a larger living room/education area, two bedrooms for staff and a bathroom with private closets to accommodate six. The village is located 33 miles south of the city of Saint Petersburg. This location allows us to be far enough away from the city to keep the children separated from wrong influences, yet keeps us close enough to the city to stay connected with others who we network with.



2. Development - We will purchase more property and begin new construction on a regular basis. The vision is to have a children's village that will house more than 150 children. Each one who can hold a paintbrush or hammer, carry supplies or cook can all have a part of this vision turned reality.

3. Staff - Olga Chigireva is the director at Restoration House. We have staff that work drug rehab, visit children on the streets, teach English and other lessons, and do upkeep on the house. More staff will be needed in the future AND we need volunteers that will spend time with the children. The volunteers will be both Russian and those who will visit from America. Programs and curriculum will also be needed.



4. Financing - Our commitment cannot be short-term. We will need large sums of money to purchase more property and build more houses. We need finances to buy beds and other furniture. It will take a lot of money and other donations to set up a home, but it doesn't stop there. There will be the monthly food bill, utilities, insurance, wages, etc. We have a plan for the future that will enable the home itself to fray some of the cost and we would like the Russians to see the value of this project and help to finance it. BUT, in the meantime we must be committed for the long-term, as we will be responsible to carry all financial obligations. We will need monthly commitments from churches, organizations, businesses and individuals.

Micaiah Ministries has been recruiting more workers in Russia, AND there have been those Stateside who are stepping up to say they want to move to Restoration House and become part of the staff. We need the workers who will go to the streets to reach the children, and those who will train the children to transition them into a normal life. We need more space.

Thank you to each one who has been helping with the finances.

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