

Meeting #2 Minutes for Wednesday November 16th, 2005

Judd Duininck for Duininck Companies came to speak about his company and how construction changing over the years has been a challenge to compete with. Duininck Companies does many Heavy Civil work. The work they do ranges from utility work, highways, concrete supplying, and golf courses. Some examples of what he talked about were how now days highways have to meet a spec for the ride of the road. If it rides to rough you can get docked. On the other hand though, if it's a smooth ride you can get a bonus for that. It really can make or break your project. The equipment that comes with that cost a lot but can pay off. There are machines that read the grade of the road to check to make sure they're not losing money. Also with all the equipment used for fine grading coming with GPS it makes it easier on everyone. Allowing them to get a smooth base that they laying on.

Other things Judd talked about was just how the equipment that first came out pretty much is the same as it is now. Every year you'll get fine tuning but nothing to dramatic. Like how a lot of equipment comes with tracks now instead of tires.

One big issue Mr. Duininck talked about was how much his company has to deal with the environmental issues that are at hand now. He says there are companies being sued for not having silt fences up and how some are getting sued even though they had them up right but they failed. It's something that will have to be looked at a little more before this starts happening to everyone.

Issues that were talked about by Vice President Adam Naastad were:

- Membership dues, a lot of people have not paid their membership dues. Due so if you want to be considered a member.
- There are also CME Sweatshirts still available. It's getting to be that time of the year to wear them a lot, so get yours while they last.
- The homecoming parade. We will not be allowed to participate in it next year due to people drinking on the float. Because of that we dropped to a level 4 ranking with the student government and don't receive as much money next year. If get in trouble again before our review with will drop to a level 3 status and not receive any money. So stay out of trouble when we're at AGC programs.
- Resumes to Brian Abeld. If you want to have your resume posted on the AGC for other people and companies to see email them to brian.abeld@ndsu.edu so he can upload them on the website.
- Community Service projects. We need 5 people or so to help out with a project. It will only take a few hours. Days for that are December 6th or 8th at 10:00am. Sign-up sheet is outside of Ingrid's office.
- AGC State Convention. If your still interested in attending the AGC State Convention sign up outside Ingrid's office before November 18th.
- Casino trip. If your interested in going on the casino trip it will be on December 8th instead of the meeting. This way you can get out and meet some people outside of the classroom environment. For that also you can signup for outside of Ingrid's office.

- Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers are needed for the Habitat for Humanity House. It's almost completed so sign up now before it's too late. The days and times for that are posted outside of Ingrid's office.