



ACADIANA CHAPTER

Construction Specifications Institute

The Addendum

Knowledge for Creating
And Sustaining
The Built Environment

The Acadiana Chapter normally meets the third Monday at Don's Downtown, 301 E. Vermillion St.-Lafayette. Fellowship Begins at 6:00pm with meeting starting at 6:45pm. Guests are welcome

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

**Program: Amorim Industrial Solutions
(AcoustiCork)
Sound Rated Flooring Systems**

Presenter: Anna Nail, CSI, CDT, CTC

Date: Monday, February 19, 2007

Continuing Education? This February features Anna E. Nail with Amorim Industrial Solutions. She has worked in the construction industry for 21 years, with 18 years dedicated to the flooring industry. She currently resides in Jacksonville, FL and has been territory manager for Amorim Industrial Solutions for 8.5 years. With the CTDA (Ceramic Tile Distributors Association), Anna is on the membership committee and is Chairman of the Mold Committee. Mrs. Nail has served on the education committee of the NWFA and has been active with CSI for 18 years, serving two terms as President. She travels in the Eastern United States, presenting information on sound rated flooring systems.

Date: Monday February 19, 2007
**Time: 6:00 PM. – Social
6:45 P.M. – Meeting**
**Location: The Original Don's Seafood and
Steakhouse**

2006 - 2007 Chapter Meetings and Programs

Dates for Meetings for the upcoming CSI year

February 19, 2007
March 19, 2007
April 16, 2007
May 2007 (TBD), Annual Crawfish Boil
June 2007 (TBD) Annual Fishing Trip and Fish Fry

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Membership Update

This month we do not have any new members to report however we are currently made up of 46 members.

Professional – 27 members
Industry -- 18 members
Associate – 1 member
Emeritus and Retired – 3 members
Retired -- 1 member

Key Dates – Please Mark Your Calendars!

March 21, 2007 – Early Registration Deadline for the June 19, 2007 CSI Show & Convention Exams in Baltimore
March 31, 2007 – Nationwide Exams
April 20, 2007 – Final Registration Deadline for the June 19, 2007 CSI Show & Convention Exams in Baltimore
April 27-28, 2007 – Gulf States Region Annual Conference
June 19, 2007 – CSI Show & Convention Exams in Baltimore

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow CSI Members,

Like most average human beings, we try to plan the BEST for our future... our children's future... and our spouse's future. It is exactly like that for our CSI future here in Acadiana. Therefore, we had our first [and only for about 3 more years] Strategic Planning meeting on Monday 29th of January.

All twelve of the attendees sat around 4 six-foot tables placed together to make one huge table. Everyone had a look of wonder, i.e. what am I doing here expression. Then it happened! Wayne Come asked Carl Schexnayder what were some of the problems he encountered in deciphering specs. As their conversation progressed, each one at the table began to feed into a growing pile of ideas on how spec writing can improve. Please keep in mind the mission of CSI is to "advance the process of creating and sustaining the built environment". Also, everyone agreed that we need to learn more about what our members provide professionally. Therefore, we'll know who to contact to meet our professional needs.

We began to focus on the needs of our members. After about an hour discussing on how we can improve our organization, we took a dinner break and ate Wayne's wonderful gumbo and potato salad with pecan pie for desert. Mary Hays not only accommodated us with the use of the Teche Lodge, she furnished wine as well. We then resumed planning for another hour.

The twelve intelligent people there discussed and planned service to our members with much enthusiasm, inner compassion and great foresight. Here are the results of unsurpassed team work.

3-5 YEAR OBJECTIVE:

Establish CSI as an informative resource for products and materials related to creating and sustaining the built environment

*** Write and publish a "Suggested Guidelines for Correcting Specific Problems in Specifications".**

After publication, the results will be shared with other CSI chapters and other related organizations.

*** Work on one problem per month**

Expand the number and diversity of CSI members and participate at all levels

*** Double membership from 44 to 88 [5 years] by participating in Member-Sponsor-A-Member campaign. [9 per year]**

1-2 YEAR OBJECTIVE:

*** Create a "Louisiana Caucus" consisting of the 4 CSI chapters in Louisiana, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Shreveport, and Acadiana. This will help to form a bond between the four chapters.**

1 YEAR OBJECTIVE:

Increase attendance at monthly meetings

*** Organize a phone committee to call members and remind them about meetings**

Expand member's knowledge of fellow members and encourage professional support of members

*** A "Member Card File" given to each member. Every member's card will be color photocopied into a small card directory for easy access.**

*** "Member of the Month Program". In each monthly Newsletter, 3 different members will be profiled. The profile can be information in the form of a paragraph about their services/product, and/or a photograph.**

*** "Member of the Month" program. Each month, the same 3 members will be asked to give a 3 minute talk about their product/service**

*** At each meeting have 3 FREE table tops focused on the same 3 members**

The twelve generous and conscienceous people who contributed unselfishly to the future of CSI Acadiana are as followed [in alphabetical order]

Eddie Cazayoux, Wayne Come, Bryan Delahoussaye, Wayne Domingue, Lyn Fontenot, Lawrence Habetz, Mary Hays, Ken Johnstone, Don Lester, Eddie Pitre, Carl Schexnayder, Bob Schoeffler [Bob's not even a member yet, but he helped with the planning].

Also my thanks to everyone who filled out a suggestion form.

See you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Lyn

Member of the Month

Ricky Wright, CCPR: Ricky Wright graduated from Lafayette High then furthered his education to LSU where he obtained his BS-Finance. He married into the family of Acoustical Specialties & Supply, Inc., which is a Baton Rouge based company. Acoustical Specialties distributes ceilings, insulation, drywall, metal studs, brick, stucco, sealants, and flooring, among other residential building products. Mr. Wright opened the distribution company in 1975 after developing into a premier ceiling and flooring subcontractor. Today Acoustical Specialties & Supply, Inc. distributes material all over South Louisiana. The flooring distribution extends to Memphis and Atlanta, with the aide of their Pensacola Distribution Center. In addition, they have a new Millworks division, through which they have done many large commercial projects. They have 4 people on staff that has passed the CDT exam. CSI has been a tremendous bonding agent to the construction industry!

Dear Chapter,

I must love a challenge! Not only am I new to the publishing world, but I'm a transplanted Mississippi Rebel in Tiger/Ragin Cajun country. Having arrived from Arkansas two years ago, I identify with tornados rather than hurricanes. My job as an Architectural/Commercial Representative for the Brandon Company is also new. A long distance from a Commercial Credit Analyst, but having grown up in a flooring retail flooring business, maybe not too far of a stretch. If nothing else it proves I'm adaptable.

Isn't that the catalyst for our business? We must adapt to changing products, updated specifications, and the constantly changing business environment. I will be replacing Mr. Wayne Domingue as publisher of the CSI newsletter. Understandably, it is a challenging job and I look forward to the gratifying experience. I only hope that I can contribute as much to CSI as Mr. Wayne.

Again, I have two strikes against me, growing up in Arkansas and going to Ole Miss, so I hope that being editor of the CSI newsletter I will improve my batting average tenfold. It is my goal to provide you with interesting information in a timely manner with open ears for improvements. Opportunity has knocked and I'm anticipating a grand slam. Happy Mardi Gras!

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." – Winston Churchill

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On November 18th, CSI's officers and directors voted unanimously to propose to the membership a restructuring of the Institute Board of Directors. This recommendation is part an overall vision for CSI to -- once again -- be a strong, leading force that is relevant and responsive to our members and our industry. The following information is to help present the vision and benefits of the proposed recommendation.

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

- . Reduce the size, and change the composition, of the Institute Board from 29 to 12 Members. The Board will comprise:
 - 5 officers including the president, president-elect, secretary/treasurer, and two vice presidents (one Professional and one Industry/Associate), will be elected by the entire membership. The vice presidents and secretary/treasurer will serve two-year terms, the president and president-elect will serve one-year terms.
 - 5 member directors elected by the entire membership, serving three-year terms.
 - 2 at-large directors appointed by the Board from the business community, serving two-year terms.
 - The Executive Director (CEO), a non-voting member of the Board.
- . There will be no executive committee. Officers and directors will meet and act as the single governing body of the Institute.
- . Board members will represent the entire membership, but will no longer be required to serve on both Institute and region Boards. Regions will continue to select their leaders, but their roles will be separate from those of the Institute board of directors, thereby eliminating the duality of roles that has overwhelmed Institute Board members for many years.
- . Establish 3 Committees of the Board.
 - Evaluation and Compensation Committee – comprising all Board members, to evaluate the Executive Director's and Board's performance, as well as the Executive Director's compensation.
 - Finance Committee – 5 members, at least 3 from the Board, to oversee/ review the financial plans and policies of CSI
 - Nominating Committee -5 members, at least 3 from the Board, to seek out future leaders.
- . Change delegate rules for Annual Meeting and establish an annual Visioning Summit.
 - The Annual Meeting, held each year at the Convention, will be open to all members, not just chapter delegates. This will facilitate communication between chapter, region, and Institute leadership and staff. A Visioning Summit will be held for all chapter and region presidents in conjunction with the annual Convention.

WHY IS CHANGE NEEDED?

- . The current size of the Board is cumbersome and costly, and inhibits efficiencies, responsiveness and flexibility
- . Time, money, and human resources are heavily stressed by the current governance structure.
- . CSI has been slow to respond to the continually changing and advancing processes in the construction industry.
 - As construction disciplines become more interdependent, through Building Information Modeling (BIM), Facility Lifecycle Management and other emerging technologies, the value and influence of CSI's initiatives, such as OmniClass, GreenFormat, Uniformat, and MasterFormat, will be increasingly important.
- . CSI must be able to bring great ideas forward faster.
 - To take advantage of opportunities, CSI must become an entrepreneurial creator of ideas that will meet the ever changing challenges of an integrated construction industry. CSI must become a strategic organization focused on results rather than process.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE CHANGE?

- . A smaller, visionary board will be more efficient and responsive to the needs of members and the industry whose responsibilities will be refocused on the business of CSI and the timely delivery of programs and services.
- . A more open nomination process will allow strong, talented leaders to emerge.
- . Through the separation of the region and institute positions, board members will be able to concentrate on Institute business and region leaders will be able to focus on region business. This will reduce the burden on volunteer leaders.
- . The proposed changes will allow CSI to respond more quickly to constant change, and the challenges and transformations of the evolving construction industry.
- . Once the restructuring of the Board is approved, CSI will have the opportunity to reach its potential as a forum that integrates the construction disciplines for the pursuit of professional development, expression of interests and perspectives, and the creation of standards to optimize the overall performance of the construction industry.

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