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The meeting was called to order by Mohamad Hussein, Chairman, at 7:21

The Chairman called for a minute of silence to honor Michael O'Neill after his recent passing.

The minutes from the previous meeting were moved, seconded and approved by voice vote.

The annual report was discussed by the Chairman

Rich Finno, the GI Awards Chair discussed the various awards of the Institute, and the deadlines for submittals.

Luis Garcia, Committee Awards Subcommittee Chair proposed the nomination of Professor Fred Kulhawy for the Terzaghi Award. Billy Camp agreed to review the papers in the GeoSupport Conference for possible nomination for paper awards. Professor J. Osterberg was proposed for the Capp Award, with Jerry Demaggio as an alternative for the Capp.

Carol Bowers and Sandra Houston, President of the GI, were welcomed as guests. Sandy congratulated the committee for being one fo the most productive committees. The Board of Governors selected The Deep Foundations Committee as the COMMITTEE of The YEAR.

Guest Ed Kavazanjian discussed the Technical Coordinating Council, a Board Level Committee, and major issues being addressed by the TCC:

1. Internet Activities: The TCC is concerned that the US not be left behind regarding the use of the

internet in its professional activities. Fred Kulhawy asked who was involved with the internet committees. Bob Holtz is involved with the ISSMGE. Jerry Demaggio of this Committee is an elected member of the Board. Carol Bowers stated that Linda Bayer and Gail Sor of the GI staff are working on the GI web site. She mentioned local continuing education courses and Webinars on line.

2. Engagement of the GI with local geotechnical engineers at the local Section and Branch levels. The TCC is working to develop a list of contacts. A discussion was held on the Speakers Bureau, modifying titles & descriptions.

The Chairman discussed Committee membership reviews regarding old and new members, and proposed new classes of membership: Member Emeritus, Friend of the Committee and Liaison Member (with such organizations as PDCA, DFI and USUGAR) Clyde Baker has volunteered to resign his membership on the Committee to make way for new members. The Chair proposed to grant Clyde Baker Emeritus status so that he can continue to participate in Committee activities. Liz Smith moved that the Chair may dismiss members who have not been active for 2 years. Tony Marinucci seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by the members present. A Membership Subcommittee was proposed to consist of Mohamad Hussein, Liz Smith and Jim Neihoff. Two inactive members, Yogami and M. Chaudry will be thanked for their past services and deleted from Committee membership.

Guest Ed Kavazanjian discussed the status of memorial sessions for Mike O'Neill at GeoFrontiers (2005), and noted that the sessions were being directed by his former associate. A discussion was held about developing a GSP in 2010 as a Legacy.

Committee activities were discussed for upcoming conferences:

- 2005 GeoFrontiers: Brian Anderson has taken the lead for the Committee at this Conference.
- 2006 at Ga Tech: Information Technology. Billy Camp was tapped to propose two sessions to be setup by the Committee, one involving CSL.
- 2007 Broad-based Congress in Denver. Jim Niehoff will take the lead in Denver to organize two sessions.
- 2008 an Earthquake and Soil Dynamics Conference is planned
- 2009 a Conference on Retaining Structures is planned
- 2010 The Committee has submitted a proposal for a Foundations Congress, Deep and Shallow Foundations. The Congress would be Chaired by Mohamad Hussein and Co-Chaired by Magud Iskander. Fred Kulhawy would be the Organizing Committee Chair. Dan Brown would be in charge of Exhibits.

The Mike O'Neill Legacy Fund (Mohamad Hussein and Fred Kulhawy on the Committee) failed to achieve a goal of \$140k. The fund has been dissolved, and the approximately \$40k collected has been donated to the University of Houston.

The Cross Canada Lecture, 10 lectures with 1, 2 or 3 lecturers, was discussed. Mohamed Gabr was nominated for that post.

The Geotechnical Special Publications (GSP) #125 in honor of George Goble was discussed, and a 2010 GSP was discussed as a legacy for Mike O'Neill. The O'Neill GSP would depend on the value of a CD of O'Neill papers to be distributed by Vipo.

Guest Silas Nichols, FHWA is Project Manager for a Manual on the Design & Construction of Auger

Cast Piles with Member Dan Brown as the lead investigator. Manual updates on Driven Piles and Micro Piles are underway under the management of Chris Dumas of the FHWA. Silas has moved to Atlanta, and Chris Dumas will handle Florida.

Brian Anderson noted that no major changes had been made to the Committee Web Site, but that a link to the FHWA had been added.

Billy Camp was proposed to attend a Workshop on Dynamically Loaded Foundations as representative of the Committee. Billy was also tasked to talk to the PDCA for contributions or in-kind services to assist in developing methods to test model predictions.

New Committee projects were discussed, considering state of the art, state of the practice positions. Topics such as CSL and LRFD were discussed.

A 1 day short course was discussed for preparation by Committee Members for the Ga Tech 2006 Conference in Atlanta. Sam Paikowsky, Jerry Demaggio and Fred Kulhawy were proposed as possible program developers

There was no Old Business or New Business issues brought before the Committee. The meeting was closed by the Chair.

Ross McGillivray, Secretary.