Welcome to September! The new year is upon us. I am happy to become your new Eastern chapter president for 2022-2023. Rachel did an amazing job and I hope I can use her great leadership as a stepping-stone to this upcoming year. As we move a little farther from the trying times of 2020 and 2021, I hope we can all get out and see each other again in person and get involved in our local chapters and national work.

To start off the new fiscal year, the NSPE president will be in town later this month and I hope to see many of you there. Like Rachel mentioned last month, I am also looking forward to hearing about your summer vacations and all the great things you have been doing since we last met in May.

Thanks to all those who voted last month to help set the official board members for our Eastern Chapter. I am happy to announce your new 2022-2023 Eastern Chapter board is myself, Chad Hall, your new President (officially), who has taken the traditional horse reins of this chapter and I will be assisted by Cody Porter (Vice President), Jordan Herbert (Treasurer) and John Westbrook (Secretary)!

I look forward to seeing you all this year and lets grow the chapter and bring in some new people as we go!

Chad Hall, P.E., AVP
HDR Engineering
KSPE September Meeting

Our September Meeting is quickly approaching!
59th Consecutive Meeting with the NSPE President -
A Kansas City Tradition

Date: Thursday, September 29th

Time:
  - 5:15 - 5:45 p.m. - Social
  - 5:45 - 6:30 p.m. - Dinner
  - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. – Presentation

Where:
Grand Street Café
4740 Grande Ave
Kansas City, MO

Cost:
  - $30 for Members and Guests
  - $15 for Student Chapter Members

Register here today: www.mspe.org/event-4596252

Event Details:
Featuring Mr. Britt Smith, P.E. F:NSPE, the 2022-2023 President of NSPE.
KSPE Upcoming Events

Legislative Breakfast

Please join us for the annual KSPE – EC Legislative Breakfast on Thursday, October 13th at Thompson Barn! Doors will open at 7am for registration and networking, followed by a delicious warm breakfast at 7:30. Legislators will provide self-introductions, committee and district updates starting at 7:55, and our keynote speaker will start at 8:20. We will adjourn promptly at 9am.

This year, we’ll be hearing from experts in the Water Resiliency space, including policy, funding and technical solutions that have been deployed across the Midwest.

The cost is $45 to attend. Our state delegation is invited free of charge, and to offset that cost we are requesting firms to sponsor a legislator at a cost of $45. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged verbally, and visually with the display of your company logo.

Register here today: www.kansasengineer.org/event-4955363

22nd Annual Olathe District Schools 8th Grade Career EXPO

The 22nd Annual Olathe District Schools 8th Grade Career EXPO will be held on Wednesday, November 3rd at Johnson Community College. This event provides over 2,200 8th graders a chance to talk with professionals in a wide variety of careers. KSPE Eastern Chapter has hosted a booth for the past 11 years introducing hundreds of young minds to the field of engineering.

Please join us this year by volunteering your time and energy to represent KSPE. We need at least 6 volunteers between 8 am and 3 pm. Please contact Tawn Nugent at tnugent@trekkdesigngroup.com for more information and to volunteer for a two hour shift.
Benedictine Student Report & KSPE STEM Grant Summary

Benedictine College KSPE Student Chapter Update

Under the sponsorship of the Eastern Chapter, the Benedictine College Student Chapter formed last spring. They kicked off a new year with their first meeting on Wednesday, September 7. Lunch for the meeting was sponsored by the Eastern Chapter.

If your company would like to sponsor a meeting this year, please contact Cindy McCann at cmccann@hntb.com for details.

Next meeting: Wednesday October 5

KSPE STEM Grant Report from Kansas City, KS Public Schools

We received a report from KC STEM Alliance on the grant KSPE gave KCK School District. The funds helped them expand their Project Lead The Way (PLTW) program – and hopefully recruit more students into STEM careers!

Project Lead The Way Launch provides transformative learning experiences for K-5 students and teachers across the U.S. Students participate in an engaging, hands-on classroom environment and are empowered to develop in-demand knowledge and skills needed to thrive. Project Lead the Way provides teachers with the training, resources, and support they need to engage students in real-world learning.

Through our grant, more than 2,628 students and teachers were impacted and participated. Grant funds were used to purchase PLTW kits and additional materials needed to continue and expand implementation of PLTW through the Library program.
Publish employment opportunities and company/agency announcements in the newsletter. The monthly cost for an ad is $50.00 for a 1/8 page and $100.00 for a 1/4 page. This is a great way to get your employment opportunities in front of the people you want to hire. These ads can be placed at any time throughout the publication year (September through June) and can be run for as long as you need them. Contact Kristen Leathers-Gratton (Advertising committee) at kleathers@affinis.us or 913-239-1122, if you have any questions.
Engineers are fun, see... A look back at 2022 events!

March Madness

Stream Clean

July KSPE/MSPE Young Engineer’s Summer Picnic
Engineers are fun, see... A look back at 2022 events!

Awards Breakfast recognizing Eric Mutabazi (left), Jordan Herbert (right) and Brian Scovill (bottom)
Engineers are fun, see... A look back at 2022 events!

Awards Breakfast recognizing Kristen Leathers-Gratton (top left) and the HW Lochner, Inc. team (bottom)
KSPE August Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting Notes
Friday, August 26th, 2022

Attendees:
- Chad Hall
- Cody Porter
- Robynn Andracek
- Cindy McCann
- Jordan Herbert
- Dan Arbogast
- John Westbrook
- Feras El-Ghussein

Call to Order.........................................................................................................................Hall
- Agenda approved

Treasurer’s Report....................................................................................................................Porter/Herbert
- 2021-2022 ended in positive balance of about $1,000 once all checks from state arrive for event payouts and dues.
- Several changes were proposed for 2022-2023 budget. Cody to adjust and send out for Board approval.

Committee Reports:
- Legislative ..........................................................................................................................Trent Dansel
  - Legislative breakfast scheduled for October 13th.
  - Trent will send out official invite to legislators.
  - Will include mayors and County commissioners.
  - Chad will coordinate with Trent and Travis to create incumbent and challenger list.
- MATHCOUNTS ....................................................................................................................Rachel Henkhaus
  - No update.
- Model Bridge Building ........................................................................................................Dan Arbogast/Feras
  - Targeting end of January/first of February for event. Will be held at Museum at Prairie Fire.
  - Will utilize electronic invites only.
  - Dan/Feras will coordinate with Benedictine chapter offices for volunteers.
- Fundraising ..........................................................................................................................Rod Holcomb
  - No update.
- Membership .......................................................................................................................Robynn Andracek
  - Chad to send list of members from Wild Apricot to Robynn to cross-check. Will also send list to board to cross-check against known members from individual firms.
  - Roobyn and Darren to cross-check list against attendees of Young Engineers picnic event.
- Awards ...............................................................................................................................Allison Bruner
  - Budget will remain same as previous year.
- Young Engineers ...............................................................................................................Darren Meyer
  - Successful event. Keeping cost low helped increase attendance.
  - There are no weekday Chiefs games on weekdays in October except for the game that conflicts with Legislative breakfast. Will focus on December happy hour event.
- Engineering Preparation .....................................................................................................Tawn Nugent
  - Will utilize similar process as last year in identifying recipient(s).
- Engineer’s Week ..................................................................................................................Chad Hall/Rachel Henkhaus
  - Working to finalize date with Downtown Marriott. Currently thinking February 23rd.
- Advertising .......................................................................................................................Kristen Leathers
  - $1,000 already received. Will reflect in budget.
- Community Service Project(s) ..............................................................................................Anne Schroer
  - Stream Clean will be targeted for April 2023.
  - Harvesters will be targeted for February 2023.
- State Director .....................................................................................................................Kurt Rotering
  - KSPE annual meeting is set for June 2023 in Olathe, KS.
  - 2024 annual meeting will be a joint meeting with MSPE in Kansas City.
Meeting Minutes Continued

- September 9th will be a strategic planning meeting in Topeka.
  - Benedictine Chair ————————————————————————————————————Cindy McCann
    - Cindy proposed sponsoring two Benedictine chapter meetings at $300 each (total $600).
    - Target first meeting in September and first meeting of spring semester.
    - Board approved sponsorship and will incorporate into budget.

Chapter Meetings ————————————————————————————————————Porter

  September (9/27): NSPE President visit and joint meeting with MSPE.
  October (10/13): Legislative meeting (Trent)
  November (11/7?): KSPE President & Executive Director visit
  - Cody will coordinate date
  December (12/7?): Happy hour/social
  January: KSPE/MSPE Meeting planned by KSPE
  February: E-Week
  March: March Madness event
  April: Joint meeting with MSPE/SAME planned by SAME
  May: Awards meeting

Old/New Business ————————————————————————————————————Hail

- Website/gmail update
  - KSPE.Eastern@gmail.com
  - Board to solidify who is monitoring email.
- Wild Apricot update
  - Cody noted there has been delay in receiving payment from state following events. It will likely continue to require follow-ups with J to receive payment.
- Newsletter deadline for information – Sept 24th

The goal of KSPE is to promote, recognize, and enhance the engineering profession by delivering professional development products and services, encouraging licensure, and advocating legislation and public policy for the betterment of human welfare and the profession.
# Treasurer's Report

**Kansas Society of Professional Engineers - Eastern Chapter**

**Treasurer's Report:** May to July 2022

**Beginning Balances Date:** May 1, 2022  
**Ending Balances Date:** July 31, 2022

**Checking Account**

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**Total** $ 34,776.51

*By Cody D. Porter, PE, Treasurer KSPE EC  
July 31, 2022*
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Beyond the design

Garver knows that it goes beyond infrastructure design — it’s about helping communities soar. That’s why Garver’s Overland Park and Kansas City offices partnered with Red Tail Academy to educate and mentor underrepresented youth in the field of aviation.