



NEWSNOTE

Austin Chapter, CSI

August 2017

The Construction Specifications Institute

2012 TAS STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIERS

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Please join us for our August Lunch Presentation by **James Rickard, TAS Manger at P2 Consulting**. He will present Updated 2012 Texas Accessibility Standards for Specifiers. **A complimentary lunch will be provided by KSA Engineers.**

Description:

This course will address common issues with Texas Accessibility Standards compliance, focusing on issues of interest to designers and specifiers. Typical problems (and how to correct them) will be discussed from the perspectives of both scoping and technical compliance.

Learning Objectives:

- ◆ Participants will be able to correctly scope accessibility requirements and apply them to design documents and specifications, using the 2012 TAS.
- ◆ Participants will be able to correctly apply accessibility technical requirements to design documents and specifications, using the 2012 TAS.
- ◆ Participants will be able to educate their staff and clients regarding the most common accessibility problems and solutions, using the 2012 TAS.
- ◆ Participants will be able to assess existing buildings and correctly determine whether they comply with TAS requirements, using the 2012 TAS.

(Speaker's bio on page two)

Monday August 21, 2017

Networking 11:30 | Lunch and Program 11:45

Austin Center for Architecture, 801 W. 12th Street, Austin, TX. 78701

Click below to preregister for this event:

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07eeghnw2zeaf72c4&oseq=&c=&ch=>

Attendance Fee: \$5.00 per person

Email comments and/or questions to: csiaustin046@gmail.com

James A. Rickard's bio



James Rickard, TAS Manager, has been a Registered Accessibility Specialist with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation since 2008. He can shepherd you efficiently and competently through the process of complying with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) - from plan review through inspection. His clients include public agencies, such as Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Lower Colorado River Authority, as well as architects and architectural firms that design schools, hospitals, clinics, retail spaces, and myriad other public spaces that must comply with TAS. James is a native of Austin and attended Colorado State University and Sam Houston State University.

Our mission.

P3 Consulting was created to help make this a better and safer world, especially for Texans and visitors to Texas who are elderly or have physical disabilities. P3's core mission is to provide our clients with outstanding service in the area we know best: applying building codes and standards to design and construction.

CSI Austin Chapter would like to thank KSA Engineers for sponsoring lunch this month by sharing their firms history.

KSA was founded in 1978 as Kindle, Stone, & Associates, Inc, in Longview, Texas. The firm was established as a municipal engineering company. Throughout the early years of the company, our engineers focused primarily on water and wastewater plants, pipelines, pump stations, and storage tanks, many of which were funded through EPA grants that were available in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

The firm has grown rapidly since 1978 and currently has over 150 employees in eleven offices located in Albuquerque, Amarillo, Austin, Longview, Lufkin, McKinney, Norman, San Angelo, Shreveport, Sugar Land and Tyler.



www.ksaeng.com

President's Message



Hello Everyone!

Wow! July was a hot one, wasn't it? For me it wasn't just the heat that was high - business is booming. It's a great time to be in Austin.

Booming business brings business growth- new staff, which requires training. At CSI, we are believers in education. CSI's mission is to prepare all in our industry for anything design and construction phase throws our way.

A great place to start that education is by becoming Construction Document Technology Certified!

The Construction Documents Technologist Exam (CDT) is perfect for anyone who writes, interprets, enforces, or manages construction documents. By understanding the roles and relationships of all participants, CDTs improve communication among all members of the construction team. Better communication means better projects with less delays.

The Austin Chapter is planning to host a CDT boot camp in the fall to support all who are planning to take the CDT exam. If this is something you and/ or team is interested in, please let us know so we can plan accordingly.

CDT Exam Fall 2017- Testing September 25th to December 10th.

Keep your heads above water - fall and school and all that comes with it are just around the corner!

Best Regards,

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The road to success is always under construction- Lily Tomlin

JULY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Marina Reynaga,
Anthony Garcia (Phone),
Scott Mokry (Phone)
America Alva (Proxy),
Brad Bennett (Phone)
William Massingill,
Becky Winovitch (proxy),
Robbin Kersey,
Jevon Johnson

Call to Order: Marina Reynaga called meeting to order at 12:09 pm

Meeting Minutes: Meeting Minutes for June were approved as noted.

Agenda: Approved

Committee Reports:

Membership (AG): Ongoing activities

Programs (All):

1. July 17: Downtown Austin Alliance parking/ mobility (WR Meadows will sponsor lunch)
2. Aug 21: James Rickard/ TAS
3. Sept 18: Hager rep / access control (exact topic TBD)
4. Oct 16: Shirley Ellis / 2015 IECC
5. Nov 20: Jody Boatman / door hardware issues with respect to 2015 IECC.
6. Dec: Holiday party (date / location TBD)
7. Suggestions:
 - a. Austin Container Bar owned by Bridgette Dunlap and featured on Texas Society of Architects website <https://texasarchitects.org/v/article-detail/A-Container-Bar/ji/> was designed by Francisco Arredondo of North Arrow Studio <http://www.northarrowstudio.com/>. (MR to investigate options for this as June mtg)
 - b. Residential specifications by Joe Artesky

House (RK): Robbin agreed to coordinate lunch sponsors

Publications (AA): No Report

Awards (AA): Criteria for future CSI. Austin Volunteer of the Year Award to be developed.

Electronic Communication (MR) (RK) (WM) (BB):

1. FaceBook page is being managed by Robbin

2. LinkedIn has been re-created and is being managed by Robbin.
3. Robbin and William are to look into updates for CSI micro site.
4. Per Brad, Twitter page (@CSI_Austin_TX) has been created and is being managed by Brad.
5. Meeting minutes are to be uploaded to DropBox archives annually (assigned to William)
6. CSI advertising in weekly AIA Austin e-publication is being managed by Marina

Finance (SM): \$40K +/- surplus

By-Laws (TA): No Report

Old Business:

1. AIA Summer Conference (August 3-4, 2017 Norris Conference Center
<https://www.aiaaustin.org/content/summer-conference>
CSI Austin can be represented at Miller Imaging table (Jevon is to do 8/3 11:30-1 slot, Robbin & Marina are to do 8/3 Happy Hour slot; Robbin is to do 8/4 11:30-1 slot)
2. Austin Build show (CSI Austin is registered for 2018)
3. Brainstorming for getting UT Architecture & Engineering schools involved
4. Robbin agreed to coordinate prep class (date, venue, speaker [lodging / meals/ etc if speaker is not local], for Fall CDT exam being held 9/25. 12/10- possible speakers are Alex Brenhard or Peter Jordan.
5. CSI allied membership: on hold until AIA Austin determines protocol.

New Business:

1. Scott is to investigate investment options for budget surplus.
2. Marina is to notify Board as to where Austin Chapter by-laws can be accessed
3. Process needed for social media feeds & for AIA Austin.
4. Each Board member needs to know duties of their position.

Motion to adjourn was made and approved; meeting adjourned at approximately 12:42 pm.

Next Board Meeting scheduled to meet at the office of O'Connell Robertson between 12 and 1pm on Friday July 4, 2017.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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New Rates!

CSI NEWSNOTE Ad Policy

The ad period is July to June for \$75. Payment is due June 1. Cost of the advertisement will be prorated.

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Construction Specification Institute
Construction Education Network
 (CSI CEN) has ceased operations.

In order to allow all users of the system to continue managing their credits, CSI offers the following options:

Option 1 (CSI Members Only): Login to the CSI website and view your CSU CEUs in the Electronic Transcription Service (ETS). Required CSI Member login.

Option 2 (CSI Members and & Non-Members): Click on the link below. Follow instructions to setup an AECDaily.com account.


<http://education.csinet.org/>

August 2017

- 8/3-8/4 AIA Austin Summer Conference
 Norris Conference Center
<https://www.aiaaustin.org/content/summer-conference>
- 8/12 Austin Ice Cream Festival
 Fiesta Gardens
www.icecreamfestival.com
- 8/16 CSI Austin Chapter Meeting
 Accessibility
 AIA Offices - 11:30-12:45 pm
- 8/19 Bat Fest
 Congress Avenue Bridge
<http://www.roadwayevents.com/event/bat-fest/>
- 8/21 AISD- 1st day of school!



September 2017

- 9/2-9/3 Pirelli World Challenge
 Circuit of The Americas
www.circuitoftheamericas.com
- 9/4 
 Happy Labor Day
- 9/4 Free Day of Yoga Various Locations
www.freedayofyoga.com
- 9/17 Austin Museum Day
 Museums Across Austin
www.austinmuseums.org
- 9/18 CSI Austin Chapter meeting
 AIA Offices - 11:30-12:45 pm

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