

**CSI MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS FALL 2020 TELECONFERENCE
August 17, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

President: Stephen Lawrey, CSI called the meeting to order at approximately 12:05 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Board:

President: Thomas Feulner, CSI
First Vice President: Steven Lawrey, CSI
Second Vice President: Robert Vaughn, CSI
Treasurer: Dan Cudney, CSI
Secretary: Stephen Weisensale, CSI
Immediate MAR Past President: Gail Nagie, CSI
Institute Director from Middle Atlantic Region: LeeAnn Slattery, CSI

Board of Directors (Chapter Presidents/Designees):

Baltimore: Katherine Good, CSI
Blue Ridge: Tray Rowe, CSI
Central Pennsylvania: Robert Loftin, CSI
Central Virginia: Raymond Gaines, FCSI
Greater Lehigh Valley: Jon Lattin, CSI, Kevin Grega, CSI
Northern Virginia: Alan Geary, CSI
Philadelphia: Cory Robbins, CSI
Pittsburgh: Gail Nagie, CSI
Richmond: Lucinda Cordo, CSI
Tidewater: Richard Corner, CSI

Committee Chairs:

Academic Affairs: Kevin Grega, CSI, CCPR
Certification: Mary-Ellen Pfister, CSI; Winnie Sung, CSI
Education: Mitch Miller, FCSI
Electronic Communication: Katherine Good, CSI
Nominations: Gail Nagie, FCSI
Planning: Barbara Shaffer, CSI
Tellers: Bob Loftin, CSI

EXCUSED

ABSENT

District of Columbia Metropolitan: Jill Amacker, CSI
Erie Northwestern PA: Open
Northcentral Pennsylvania: Patricia Russell, CSI
Awards: Marty Thornton, CSI
Conference Oversight: David Lorenzini, CSI
Financial: Open
Membership: Open

QUORUM

A quorum was present for the meeting.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thomas Feulner reported as summarized below:

- Chapter Fall reports are due to the EXCOM at this time. So far, the following chapters have NOT provided their report: DC, Erie, Pittsburgh, and Richmond.
- All chapter leaders should have access to the leadership tools at CSIResources.org. If not, check your chapter roster on file with the Institute for possible needed updates.
- This has been a very slow year, with no MARC, LEAD, or Construct events. Tom is looking forward to seeing everyone in the future.
- Region will continue to use Mitch Miller's Zoom account for hosting monthly meetings.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Steven Lawrey reported via e-mail:

- Plans to present a report on the MAR Mission Statement at the September meeting.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Robert Vaughn had no report:

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Stephen Weisensale reported the following:

- July 2020 minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dan Cudney provided the following:

- Provided the attached July financial report including activity, line item condition, bank account and latest income results. No issues were noted.

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gail Nagie provided no report.

INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

LeeAnn Slattery provided her report via e-mail (attached).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Programs (formerly Academic Affairs)

- Kevin Grega provided his report via e-mail (attached).
- Board approved motion to change committee name to Academic Programs.

Awards

- Marty Thornton provided the attached report via e-mail.

Certification

- Mary-Ellen Pfiester provided her report via e-mail (attached).

Conference Oversight

- David Lorenzini had no report, had previously requested and is awaiting info from chapters that have recently hosted region conferences.

Education

- Mitch Miller reported as follows:
- Seven of the scheduled eleven virtual LEAD sessions are complete. Those wishing to attend any of the remaining four that have not registered need to e-mail Mitch for the link.
- Attendance has ranged from eight to 20 attendees per seminar, with some being from outside the region.

Electronic Communications:

- Katherine Good reported the following:
- Updated versions of Board minutes are being posted, deleting the financial information.

Financial:

- No report, new chair is still needed.

Membership

- No report, new chair is still needed.
- Tom Feulner noted region membership is currently 806 members.

Nominations:

- Gail Nagie reported as follows:
- All positions now have candidates, slate presented and ballot will be sent electronically in October.

Planning

- Barbe Shaffer reported as follows:
- Making additional revisions to Region Guide for presentation to Board in September.

Tellers

- Bob Loftin reported as follows.
- Assisted Pittsburgh and Northcentral Penn Chapters with elections.
- Will review section in Region Guide, forward comments to Barbe Shaffer.

CONFERENCE REPORTS**Central Virginia FY2020 (Harrisonburg, VA, April 2-5, 2020)**

- No report.

North Central Pennsylvania FY2021 (April 29-May 2, 2021)

- Continuing to plan, considering Lancaster as conference location.

Richmond FY2022

- No report.

FY2023

- No report.

CHAPTER REPORTS: Leaders reminded that fall reports that will be due to EXCOM one week prior to fall board meeting (mid-August).**Chapter reports:**

- Baltimore: Continuing with virtual meetings through the fall, anniversary event planned for September.
- Blue Ridge: Keeping chapter active via virtual meetings, getting guest involved as well.
- Central PA: Virtual Board meetings continue, developing fall event that can be live and virtual, per attendee preference.
- Central VA: Continuing to hold on-line young practitioner events with 15-20 regular participants. Next event scheduled for 08/18/20.
- DC Metro: No report.
- Erie Northwest PA: No report.
- Greater Lehigh Valley: Held "Let's Build for Girls" event in July, continuing Zoom programs.

- Northcentral PA: No report.
- Northern VA: Reducing size of Board to nine members, ballots sent out last week.
- Philadelphia: Have had several Zoom meetings with up to 60 participants, continuing grill series this fall.
- Pittsburgh: Virtual board meetings and presentations planned through spring 2021. Trivia night in September, virtual building tour in October.
- Richmond: Going to virtual board meetings, planning new member night at outdoor venue in September, program at Top Golf in October, possible breakfast event in November.
- Tidewater: Partnering with other organizations, have CE programs on website.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mission Statement: Draft has been developed, Tom Feulner will appoint a committee to finalize..

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fall board meeting scheduled for MAR in August (not a 1-hr noon call – see below).

ACTION ITEMS

- All chapters that have NOT provided Fall Chapter Reports need to do so.
- Register for spring exams, window has been extended, fall window opened in August.
- Promote remaining LEAD seminars to all chapter members (schedule is on MARC site).
- Those interested in remaining LEAD seminars to contact Mitch Miller for access.
- Barbe Shaffer – send Region guide Tellers section to Bob Loftin.
- Robert V. to pursue LEAD venues for next fall (2021) report at September Board.
- Tom F. to work with B. Shaffer on region guide update.
- Tom F. to update on Erie Chapter status.

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

Upcoming scheduled teleconference of the CSI Middle Atlantic Region Board of Directors will be as follows:

September 2020:	Monday, 09/14 @ 12:00 Noon
October 2020	Monday, 10/12 @ 12:00 Noon (Columbus Day)
November 2020	Monday, 11/09 @ 12:00 Noon
December 2020	Monday, 12/14 @ 12:00 Noon
January 2021	Monday, 01/11 @ 12:00 Noon
February 2021	Monday, 02/08 @ 12:00 Noon
March 2021	Monday, 03/08 @ 12:00 Noon
April 2021	Monday, 04/12 @ 12:00 Noon (Maybe)

Middle Atlantic Conference 04/29 – 05/02

May 2021	Monday, 05/10 @ 12:00 Noon (Maybe)
June 2021	Monday, 06/14 @ 12 Noon (Flag Day)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Weisensale AIA, CSI, CCS, CCCA
Secretary, CSI Middle Atlantic Region

Distribution on September 10, 2020 via email to all attendees, including:

CSI-MAR Executive Committee
CSI-MAR Immediate Past President
Institute Director from the MAR

CSI-MAR Board of Directors/Alternates
CSI-MAR Committee Chairmen
CSI-MAR Task Team Chairmen

From: Thomas Feulner <thomasf@bctdesigngroup.com>
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 2:35 PM
To: Stephen C. Weisensale
Subject: FW: Today's Report

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From: Lawrey, Steve <lawreys@pecora.com>
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Thomas Feulner <thomasf@bctdesigngroup.com>
Subject: Today's Report

Tom,

I will have nothing to report on the mission statement as I've been swapped over the past several months, not to mention not being able to connect with Katherine (I did try on at least two occasions).

This morning she returned my text from late last week. I emphasized we need to make progress and have something substantive to report next month.

Warm regards,
Steve

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Region Update – August 2020

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Institute News:

The last Institute board meeting was held virtually in June. Below is some information in which you may be interested.

Certifications and CSI's Learning Library:

- CSI now offers virtual proctored testing, allowing individuals to take the exam from the comfort of their home or office, vs. having to go to a Prometrics test center (although that is still an option).
- Registrations for the certification exams remained strong, despite the impacts of COVID-19.
- Regarding the CCPR exam, a job analysis of the CCPR is currently underway, and will be completed in October. Once this is done, the new CCPR exam will be developed and completed by the end of this year.
- For those who now need to renew their CDT® certifications, you have until June 30, 2021 to do so (less than one year from now). You need to earn a minimum of 24 learning units (LUs), and those need to be self-reported in your CSI account on the CSI website. In addition to reporting the credits, you need to complete the certification renewal attestation, and pay the renewal fee. Go to <https://www.csiresources.org/certification/certrenewal> for more info.
- The CSI Learning Library, which has close to 4,000 unique users, is continuously being updated to include learning unit series courses for CDT®, CCCA, and CCS credential holders, and the courses are currently FREE to CSI members – <https://www.pathlms.com/csi/courses>
- The Project Delivery Practice Guide (PDPG), 3rd Edition, workbook, and instructor slides are now available, and flashcards will be available for purchase by 8/30/20.
- The Construction Contract Administration Practice Guide (CCAPG), 2nd Edition, workbook, and instructor slides will be available by 8/30/20.
- The Construction Specifications Practice Guide (CSPG), 2nd Edition, workbook, and instructor slides will be available by 12/10/20.

CSI Help Series for Chapters and Regions:

- Resources and recorded sessions are available in the chapter and region leader tools community. This provides support in dealing with the impacts of COVID-19 and the inability to hold in-person events. Resources include how chapters can provide value to members, sponsors, and customers, virtually – <https://www.csiresources.org/communities/community-home/digestviewer/viewthread?MessageKey=9f802999-7819-45d3-a14c-08d58caf4743&CommunityKey=3c260f01-ae48-4802-8ee9-10d54a1edbddd&tab=digestviewer#bm9f802999-7819-45d3-a14c-08d58caf4743>

Dynamic Chapter Program (DCP):

- DCP coaching sessions continue to take place bi-weekly and have adapted to cover skill sets related to operating in a virtual environment and creating compelling events that members and non-members alike want to attend. The DCP is an open community with resources and coaching sessions available 24/7 to any leader who joins – <https://www.csiresources.org/communities/community-home?CommunityKey=3f10c49c-423d-42dc-9e0c-0042cb12b5d3>

COVID-19 Response Team:

- This team is a public community on the CSI website moderate by members of the College of Fellows. Many of the Fellows have navigated economic downturns and natural disasters throughout their career and are available to offer their experience and expertise one-on-one or in groups via CSI's online community - <https://www.csiresources.org/communities/community-home?CommunityKey=6160641f-e2b1-41db-90ca-a973bd97000f>

CROSSWALK:

- CROSSWALK is a web-based service and dynamic database with current versions of MasterFormat, UniFormat, and OmniClass cross-linked. Software creators and information portals (i.e. Autodesk, BSD SpecLink, Deltek/MasterSpec, etc.) that choose to use CROSSWALK have real-time access to CSI classification standards. To learn more: <https://www.csiresources.org/blogs/mark-dorsey-cae-fasae1/2020/06/10/crosswalk-creates-greater-accuracy-and-efficiency>

Initiatives for Retaining, Recruiting, and Regaining Members:

- Retaining members – this campaign will deliver a series of messages to new members promoting the value of membership and engagement with CSI with the hopes of increasing retention rates (went live July 2020)
- Recruiting new members – this campaign will focus on introducing CSI to AEC professionals who have never engaged with CSI, utilizing a prospect list secured from Construction Specifier magazine (goes live this month)
- Regaining lapsed members – this campaign will focus on reengaging former members of CSI focusing on new products and services that have or will be launched soon (goes live this month)
- Lapsed certification recipients – this campaign will target those who joined CSI when seeking a credential from CSI, but are not current members (goes live September 2020)

Save the Date for MARC 2021:

CSI MARC, hosted by Northcentral Pennsylvania Chapter, held at the Genetti Hotel in Williamsport, PA – 4/29-5/2/21



Visit www.csimarc.com for updates regarding next year's conference.

CONSTRUCT, CSI Honors and Awards Program, and Annual Business Meeting:

Since CONSTRUCT will be a virtual experience this year, CSI is also planning a virtual honors and awards ceremony. Further information will be communicated by the Institute once they have all the details worked out. Please try to attend and support the five people/companies from our region who are receiving awards. I believe there will also be a virtual annual business meeting held that week. Regarding the virtual education sessions, all can be attended for FREE this year. There will also be a free Emerging Professionals virtual event for 90-minutes being held on Wednesday afternoon, October 7th, from 4:30 to 6:00 pm, EDT.



Visit <https://www.constructshow.com/en/home.html> when the free registration opens.

Master Specifiers Retreat:

Specifiers can now apply to attend the CSI MSR being held in Tucson, AZ in January -

<https://fs11.formsite.com/Nvlurh/c6e0oma5nc/index.html>. CSI's Master Specifiers Retreat is an exclusive event that brings together senior specifiers and product selection influencers from across the country for an intimate experience of focused education, group networking, and one-on-one meetings with building product manufacturer executives. As the authority on specifying, CSI can offer unique, advanced education and discussion that meets the needs of experienced specifiers. You won't find an experience like this anywhere else! As a participant, you will engage in 12 to 14 one-on-one meetings, 30 minutes each, with specifiers and product selection influencers that you select.

Master SPECIFIERS RETREAT



January 27-29, 2021
Loews Ventana Canyon
Tucson, Arizona



June 9-11, 2021
Eau Palm Beach Resort
Palm Beach, Florida

CSI Staffing Updates:

- Tracy Petrillo, CSI's Chief Learning Officer, has accepted a position as the Executive Director of the Commission on Dietetic Registration and left CSI in June.
- Gina Sutherland was promoted to Director of Certification (formerly Manager, Certification and Meetings).
- Matt Fochs was promoted to Director of Learning, Practice and Outreach (formerly Manager, Learning Communities and Resources)

CSI Contacts:

Member Services: memberservices@csinet.org or 800-689-2900 (available 8 am to 8 pm Eastern time – Mon-Fri)
Certification: certification@csinet.org
Education: education@csinet.org
Awards: awards@csinet.org
Accounting: accounting@csinet.org
Chapters: chapterrelations@csinet.org – this also includes region relations

As a reminder, listed above are the emails of a variety of CSI departments, and a phone number for member services. If you have a specific question related to one of these areas, you should contact the Institute directly, as they are best equipped to assist you.

In closing, I miss seeing all of you and look forward to MARC 2021. Hopefully by next April we will be able to gather in person in Williamsport. Until then, I wish health, safety, and happiness to you and your family. I encourage your chapters to hold virtual events and stay in touch with each other during these trying times.

Middle Atlantic Region - Awards Committee Report

August 17, 2020

Talking Points:

- **Deadline for Region Awards:** This deadline has always been set as December 31st. Last year there were discussions about changing this date to mid or late January. We did extend the date to January 15th. I propose we do the same for this year.
- **How Submissions are Received:** In the past, submissions are sent directly to the Awards Chair. There have been discussion about setting up a secure web location either through our MAR website or through the Institute's site. Not being a web techie, I would like to know if this is attainable and should be pursued?
- **Charge to Chapter Presidents:** It is up to you to suggest to your Chapter Awards chair as to who should be submitted for Region Awards. Chapter Presidents know best who worked hard and advanced the objectives of the Region and Institute. If in doubt, please feel to contact me.
- **Review of Submissions Prior to Due Date:** Every year, award submissions are made with missing information, incorrect information or incorrect category. I would like to offer a review to anyone prior to the official award submission due date. It is very disheartening to reject an award on a technicality. The Institute is famous for this. I don't want the Region to be famous for it also.

Submitted by Martin Thornton, Region Awards Chair.

Construction Specifications Institute
Middle Atlantic Region
Certification Committee Report



Prepared 8/17/2020 for the
August 17, 2020 MAR Board Meeting

1. COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATION

Chapter Certification Chairs are part of the Region Certification Committee. If a chapter does not have a Certification Chair, then the Chapter President is listed here as the point-of-contact.

Chapter	Office	Name	Phone	email
MAR	Chair	Mary-Ellen Pfister , CSI CCCA, AIA, LEED AP	703-732-2026	mep.arch@yahoo.com
MAR	Co-Chair	Winnie Ma Sung , CSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, CCA, LEED AP, NCARB	804-649-9303	wsung@glaveandholmes.com
Baltimore	Certification Chair	Jim Lewis, CSI, CCS	410-537-3300	Jim.lewis@maryland.gov
Blue Ridge	Certification Chair	Glen Reimer, CSI, CDT, AIA, NCARB	540-797-7307	ghreimer@msn.com
Central Pennsylvania	Certification Chair	Kazim Dharsi		
Central Virginia	President	Traci Skipper	434-979-5245	tskipper@pella386.com
District of Columbia Metropolitan	Certification Chair	Paul Harouff	540-272-1842	paul.harouff@aecom.com
Erie- Northwestern Pennsylvania	Certification Chair			
Greater Lehigh Valley	Certification Chair	Mitch Miller, Chair; James Petro, CSI, CDT, AIA	610-559-6000	m2architek@hotmail.com jpetro@usaarchitects.com
North Central Penn	President	Stephen Thaler, CSI CDT		swt@lundyconstruction.com
Northern Virginia	President	Cynthia A. Heimann, RA, CDT, CCCA		cynthia.heimann@som.com
Pennsylvania Railroad	No current chapter data available for this chapter.			
Philadelphia	President	Brian Conroy , CSI	973-768-5347	briantconroy@masterwallne.com
Pittsburgh	Certification Chair	Michael C. Bosco, RA, CSI, CCS, NCARB	412-855-5876	michaelbosco74@comcast.net
Richmond	Certification Chair	Winnie Ma Sung, CSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, CCA, LEED AP, NCARB	804-649-9303	wsung@glaveandholmes.com
Tidewater Virginia	President	Margaret Chewing, FCSI, CCS, CCCA	757-581-0428	mgcccs83@gmail.com

2. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Certification Committee's spring meeting is held during the MARC. The fall meeting is held during LEAD (formerly LOS). The Region Chair provides monthly updates during the region teleconferences.

3. CHAPTER COMMITTEE CHAIR CHARGE

1. Coordinate the chapter's educational programs for certification study and exam preparation.
2. Verifies that study course participants are registered properly for exams.
3. Maintains chapter records on current and lapsed certificates and their renewals.

4. EXAMS

Spring 2020 CDT Exam

Exam Window: May 4 – June 5 2020
Registration early bird Feb 19-March 18
Registration final April 1-April 30

Fall 2020 Exams (estimate)

Exam Window: November 2 – December 4 2020
Registration early bird Aug 3 – Aug 31
Registration final Oct 1 – Oct 30

Exam results are emailed approximately six weeks after the testing window closes.

Exam fees are shown on CSIResources.

5. EXAM PREREQUISITES

CSI membership is not required for testing.

Exam prerequisites for the Construction Documents Technology (CDT), Certified Construction Specifier (CCS), Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA), and Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR) exams, posted on csiresources/certifications, are reproduced here.

CDT certification exam candidates must have a High School Diploma or Equivalent. College-level coursework and/or two (2) years' experience in construction management is highly recommended

CCS certification exam candidates must:

1. Have prepared or coordinated either Division 00 – Procurement and Contracting Requirements or Division 01 - General Requirements actually used in requirements
2. Have a minimum of two years' experience in the preparation and coordination of specifications actually used in construction with a CDT. Five years' experience is required without a CDT.
3. Provide contact information for two experienced professionals in the field who will attest the candidate has at least five years' experience in the preparation of contract documents.

CCCA certification exam candidates must have at least two years of experience in contract administration process, attested by two people experienced in the field. Five years' experience is required without a CDT.

CCPR certification exam candidates must have a minimum of two years' experience representing construction product(s) exclusive of academic preparation, attested to on company letterhead by two manufacturers and /or employers. Five years' experience is required without a CDT.

6. PASS LIST

The Fall 2018, Spring 2019 and Fall 2019 Pass Lists are posted on CSIResources at <https://www.csiresources.org/certification/csi-certification> Accessing the pass lists requires login.

The pass list includes only those individuals who set their privacy settings to allow their information to be made available to members only or to the public. Member profiles that are restricted to 'Only Me' keeps the certificant's names off the pass lists and off the Certificant Directory.

7. **RESOURCES**

Resources for chapter chairs & instructors are available at

<https://www.csiresources.org/certification/overview/cert-resources-for-trainers317>

8. **EXAM PREPARATION**

Chapter exam preparation classes and activities are not posted on csiresources. Chapter exam preparation activities are listed on an individual chapter's website.

9. **CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE / RENEWAL**

Renewal requirements are shown on csiresources, under Certification. CDT Renewal Requirements is on a 3-year renewal cycle. Retesting is not a renewal requirement.

Renewal consists of

- Completion of the Application for Certification Renewal via csiresources.
- Completion and Documentation of 24 Professional Development Hours during the prior 3 years, including 12 hours related directly to the focus of the certification being renewed.
- Log your qualifying 24 Learning Units (LUs) into your CSI account (membership is NOT required).
- Complete the Certification Renewal attestation.
- Payment of renewal fee.

CDT, CCS, CCCA, and CCPR certifications are all valid for a period of three-years and expire on June 30th. The year of expiration is based on the initial date of certification. CSI sends email and postal reminders for Certification Renewal beginning in early spring. Certification renewal is fully electronic and completed within the individual portal. Candidates for renewal must report 24 Continuing Education hours, complete the renewal attestation and pay the renewal fee.

Continuing education requirements for certification renewal: Certificants are required to earn a minimum of 24.0 Professional Development Hours (PDHs) by the end of the 3-year renewal period. The certification renewal period is defined as July 1 through June 30.

1. 50% of topics must be related to the professional practice of the certification being renewed, as defined by the CSI Practice Guide.
2. Up to 50% may accrue from serving on a CSI standing or ad hoc committee or on a CSI task team.
3. Attending educational seminars and certification study courses by CSI Chapters and Regions.
4. 100% must be related to the construction industry or the construction process.
5. [Log into the Learning Library](#) and take the CDT Learning Unit Series, currently free for CSI members.

CSI recognizes AIA credits as part of a certificant's continuing education.

Register continuing education with CSI: Certificants may enter completed CE activities in their account at any time. CSI does not require candidates to provide supporting documentation at the time of renewal. However, CSI does hold the right to perform random audits and may ask you to provide documentation of your continuing education hours in the form of AIA transcripts, meeting agendas and CEU certificates.

Examples of professional or industry activities for earning PDHs:

- Meeting state/professional license requirements, attending/instructing seminars, or publishing articles.
- Technical tours and professional technical meetings.

Activities which do not qualify for PDHs: any activities which are a normal part of your vocational job description, and which are normally and routinely performed during your employment duties.

CSI membership is not required to maintain or renew CSI certification.

CSI mails renewal certificates approximately 4-6 following a candidate's successful completion of the renewal process.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary-ellen Pfister". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary-Ellen Pfister, CSI CCCA, AIA, LEED^{AP}
CSI Middle Atlantic Region Certification Committee Chair
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**CSI MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT**

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August 2020**

To: MAR Board of Directors

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Subject: August 2020 – Academic Programs Committee Report

- In these current times, the committee has changed our name to Academic Programs. Please reference this name moving forward.
- On August 12, 2020 Thad Goodman and I presented to the Middle Atlantic Region of CSI on the Zoom call which was recorded. We discussed how to start and continue Academic Programs along with starting a student affiliate. We also referenced several available documents including the Moll Betts Scholarship Flyer, Program Outline, Sample Syllabus, and How CSI Helps Students Tri-Fold. I'll make these documents available to the region.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

STUDENT BENEFITS

- Attend local chapter meetings and meet industry professionals
- Receive the Construction Specifier, CSI's award winning magazine
- Receive The Punchlist newsletter
- Launch your career with Certification testing
- Access Web-based interactive Seminars, other on-line education resources
- Find jobs with The CSI Career Center. Register and upload your Resume or search the jobs posted.
- Many Internship Programs Exist for summer jobs with local Contractors

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For more information contact:

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Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter
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**Parent Chapter Expo:
www.thecsiexpo.com**



CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS INSTITUTE

HOW CSI HELPS STUDENTS

-EDUCATION

-CERTIFICATION

-CAREERS

***"Members working together
to build brighter futures."***

Mission of CSI:

To advance building information management and education of project teams to improve facility performance

Student Goals:

Resource for information related to construction technology

Networking

Mentorship programs

Mechanism to participant in parent chapter

Internships

CSI's Core Values:

- **Foster** innovation and creative thinking.
- **Honor** and embrace our diversity.
- **Encourage** personal and professional growth.
- Make **knowledge-based decisions**.
- Strive for **cooperative solutions**.
- Promote **stewardship of the environment**.
- Promote and recognize **individual and team** excellence.
- **Celebrate** camaraderie.
- **Keep promises**, and trust others will do the same.
- **Value** the needs of others

“CSI has also afforded me the opportunity to prove to my future employers that I have committed myself to the industry by letting me earn my Construction Document Technician (CDT) certification. I have been offered and accepted internships from three different companies because they saw the value of my CDT certification and my affiliation with CSI.”

-Craig Stanton, CSI-S, CDT

Columbus State Community College Student

“I started attending the parent chapter of CSI and the student meetings. I met architects, contractors and product suppliers who have helped me understand different aspects of the construction industry. After getting the encouragement of the instructors and members I signed up for the CDT exam and attended the review sessions through the parent chapter. To my delight, I passed the CDT exam and I'm very honored to have the CDT initials after my name.”

-Maggie Hyde, CSI, CDT

Contract Administrator, Abbott Laboratories

To: Thomas Feulner
Subject: RE: MAR Board and Business today at 4:00 PM

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Tom,

As for MARC 2021, I sent our information to Catherine for the Region website last month consisting of our video with narrative and our sponsorship information. As we get more information, I will forward that as well. We are finalizing our schedule and blocking out times for tours and seminars along with some free time. We will have the board and business meeting on Saturday afternoon (May 1, 2021).

Onward and upward.

Thanks,
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