

Delaware Valley Section**NEWSLETTER****April 2009**April Meeting Summary:

The ACCEI Philadelphia Delaware Valley Section hosted “Five Simple Steps to Better Capital Planning” on April 8, 2009 at The Hilton Hotel which is located at the Philadelphia Airport. The section was pleased to announce its speaker Paul Williams. Mr. Williams holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Pennsylvania State University and an M.S. in Engineering Management from Drexel University. He is also Licensed Professional Engineer (PE), Certified Project Management Professional (PMP). Mr. Paul Williams is affiliated with numerous organizations. The following organizations are: AACE International, the Project Management Institute (PMI), and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). Mr. William’s presentation was given at The 52nd Annual Meeting of AACE International and the 6th World Congress of ICEC on Cost Engineering Project Management, and Quarterly Surveying. Mr. Williams discussed the pros (better approach) and cons (conventional wisdom) for the five simple steps: 1) Continuous (act annual) Portfolio Creation, 2) Stagger Project Starts (and Finishes) throughout the year, 3) Over list the Budget (just like the Airlines), 4) Eliminate “Allowance Buckets” and 5) Don’t be a slave to what month it is. In conclusion, the following recommendations were provided: 1) Get away from batch wise annual process, 2) Manage a Portfolio of Projects, and 3) Make decisions through the year.

Companies Represented at the Meeting:
PATHFINDER, L.L.C.; Computer Sciences Corporation; Capital Projects Management,

Inc.; Nooter; Nabors Consulting, Inc.; Analytiq, LLC; WRE, Inc; Urban Engineers, Inc.; Gilbane, Co.; Resolution Management Consultants, Inc.; Washington Group International; STV Construction, Inc.; Charlton Project Management Services, Inc.

AACEI - 2009 EXAM SCHEDULE

AACEI DVS is hosting the exam in Philadelphia on June 13, 2009.

Dates and Topics for Upcoming Meetings:

13-May-09 – Joint Meeting with NJ-DV Section (PA Turnpike Connector to I-95 Interchange)

10-Jun-09 – Planning Meeting for 2009/2010 Program

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