



NISD Annual Conference - San Antonio, Texas

selections entered into the AISC website before September, so your support is critical. This is your opportunity to share your trade specific knowledge with our industry partners!

5 NISD Mid-Year Board Meeting – September 2025 – Christine McCulloch, VP

- a. Location – easy to travel to, ie airline hub city
 - b. Proposal to coordinate with Steel Day.
- 6 Tour or Event with Steel Day activities – ideas included; Boston Autodesk event (Mike Pelliccio); welding activities (Joe Fabregas)
- 7 IDC– Jim Truitt, Director
- a. IDC Certification and Re-certification were discussed. The committee is exploring utilization of PDH classes in lieu of re-testing.
 - b. Jim asked for volunteers to help with program administration; monitoring tests; notifying detailers that renewal is up; etc....
 - c. Jim also asked for volunteers for promotion of the program thru presentations at industry



Mike and Liz Bowers

- d. IDC test has been updated to meet today’s standards.
 - e. Detailers are not passing re-test.
 - f. Math is considerably low scoring on the test.
 - g. It is important to keep that test as is, so we do not diminish the value of the certification.
- 8 QPP, AISC/NISD Joint Committee – David Merrifield (via Kerri Olsen – Dave unable to attend)
- a. As of 2023 QPP can be done online for new applicants as well as renewals.
 - b. Dave asked for additional committee members; at least one from each field is needed for the committee; fabricator, erector & software. If you would like to volunteer or nominate someone, please contact Dave Merrifield.
- 9 Next NISD BOD Meeting - Christine McCulloch, VP
- a. September 2024 Hotel/Location TBD
 - b. All Board members are encouraged to attend.
 - c. This meeting is also open to any committee chair.

- 10 Adjournment
- a. Motion was made to adjourn at 4:08pm by Mike Pelliccio second by James Bennett
 - b. Meeting Adjourned

After the meeting we were able to go ‘freshen up’ for the President’s Banquet set to start at 6:30 p.m. This affair was a bit low-key compared to the mystery dinner we had last year. Getting special entertainment

was difficult, not only due to budgeting, but availability! Still, we had a grand time visiting with all of the sponsors and our detailing fellows, which is the real reason for us getting together. Personally, I learn more in these few days of meeting attendance than I do sitting in my office all year long.

Our person of the year is Riley Bennett, recognized for all of his hard work and dedication to the NISD in spite of being one of our newer members. Riley is the driving force behind all of our exposure on LinkedIn, as well as our most recent webinars. You often see Riley attending the bi-weekly round table meetings. Riley is a very friendly, high-energy person and has been wonderful to work with. We look forward to the future plans that Riley and Ryan have for the bi-weekly webinars!

And that, my friends, concludes another year for the NISD Annual Conference – we look forward now to the Mid-Term Board meeting in October, tentatively in Chicago. More on that in the next issue of The Connection!



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