

**PCI Gulf South**  
**2022 Summer Meeting Minutes**  
**Lake Charles, LA July 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

1. Dan Eckenrode called the meeting to order at 8:35 am July 15, 2022.
2. The Anti-Trust Statement was noted and a copy was included on the agenda. The Code of Conduct was also reviewed.
3. The Spring 2022 meeting minutes were read by Dan.  
A motion was made by Ben Spruill to accept the meeting minutes as read. Jimmy Stewart seconded the motion. Motion passed.
4. Dan briefly reviewed the financial statement and current reserves.
5. New Associate Members CarbonCure and Summitville Thin Brick were introduced, Mason Morton of CarbonCure and Daniel Dupius of Summitville gave short introductions of their company. Dan thanked all sponsors for their help with the summer meeting and mentioned Sika by name since they were not listed on the sponsor poster.
6. Andrew Windmann, LaDOTD Assistant Bridge Design Administrator gave an overview of DOTD activities, as well as future bridge projects. Andrew noted that the DOTD will soon be implementing an escalation/de-escalation clause in their specifications.
7. Scott Westerfield, MDOT Director of Structures State Bridge Engineer gave an overview of recent MDOT activities.
8. Tim Colquett, ALDOT Bridge Bureau Chief Engineer presented on the Mobile River Bridge and West Alabama Highway project.

\*There was a break at 11:10 am

9. Bob Risser, PCI President presented on the current activities of PCI and the Board of Directors. Most notable item was Workforce Development. PCI has recently created a Workforce Development Committee under the Business Performance Council. Bob noted that the updated Strategic plan was approved at the recent Summer Board meeting and that PCI is on solid ground financially.
10. Quazi Rumi, McNeese State Graduate Assistant gave the group an overview of the combined PCI Foundation/NPCA studio grant. Philip Miller of Alfred Miller Companies and Jody Singletary of Dunham Price praised the work being done at McNeese State.

\*Meeting adjourned for the day @11:50 am

11. Dan called the Day 2 meeting to order on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at 8:30 am and mentioned that the anti-trust and code of conduct were still in force.
12. Dan introduced Scott Dull from Afinitas who gave a presentation on the use of automation within the precast industry.
13. Transportation Committee: Dave Tomley, Chair of the PCI Gulf South Transportation Committee introduced Robert Taylor with SmartUp. Robert gave the group a highlighted review of UHPC and some of the recent uses in projects for the Texas DOT. Dave gave a review of recent PCI activities including the rewrite of MNL 137, the repair manual. Dave invited anyone interested in the effort and who wants to be a part of the task group to reach out to him. Dave reviewed a recent bridge project in Pass Christian, MS which Gulf Coast was a part of and the quick turn around on getting the bridge open.

\*There was a break at 9:50 am

14. Marty McIntyre, the Executive Director of the PCI Foundation addressed the group on current foundation activities within the region, as well as the Professor's Seminar and ideas for the next PCI Convention.
15. Market Committee Report: Dan mentioned that a second mailing has been sent out to school superintendents in the state of Alabama and that Mississippi and Louisiana mailings will go out in the next few weeks. Dan shared a copy of the flyer. Dan also mentioned that he has not received follow up pricing from the producers on the set of school project plans that were sent from Lewis, Landry and Germany Architects. It was also mentioned that with the help of Greg Darden of PTAC, a separate mailing has been sent to local developers. Greg gave a brief presentation of the benefits of going to the owner/developers instead of going to the designers.
16. Dan mentioned some of the workforce development activities happening in the region, namely connecting the Bridges Academy in Pascagoula with both Tindall and Gulf Coast Pre-stress. Matt DeVoss mentioned PCI Mid Atlantic's online efforts via videos and job postings. This may be an idea PCI Gulf South can adopt and implement in the region. It was also mentioned that PCI National may develop tools for the regions to use at little to no cost to the regions.
17. Ben Spruill gave a Board of Director's and Chapter Representative report.
18. The group discussed future meetings and gave Dan permission to secure multi-year contracts. Dan will also explore venues outside of our region for summer meetings.
19. The New Officers were recognized. President: Chris Ard, Vice President: Justin Yard, Secretary/Treasurer, Shannon Steen, Immediate Past President: Jody Singletary and one new Associate Director to the Board Jordan Watkins.

A motion was made by Chris Ard to adjourn. It was seconded by Ben Spruill. Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

**Attendees:**

Dan Eckenrode, PCI Gulf South  
 Matt DeVoss, Jackson Precast  
 Jimmy Stewart, F S Prestress  
 Ben Spruill- Gulf Coast Pre-stress  
 Jody Singletary, Dunham Price  
 Andrew Windmann-DOTD  
 Cary Hazard-Hamilton Form  
 Scott Westerfield-MDOT  
 Raul Cabello- Splice Sleeve  
 Philip Miller-Alfred Miller Companies  
 Tim Colquett – ALDOT  
 Jordan Watkins – PTAC  
 Mike Perdew-GCP Applied Tech  
 Dave Tomley-Gulf Coast Pre-stress  
 Chad Dews- CL Dews & Sons Foundry  
 Mark Ledkins-Gate Precast  
 Josh Mecom – Sumiden Wire  
 Dan Dupius-Summitville Thin Brick  
 Natalie Martin-Cresset  
 Greg Darden-PTAC  
 Warren Sawicki-GCP Applied Tech  
 Billy Jolly-JVI

Steve Kegley-Endicott Brick  
 Rick Barnett-Dayton Superior  
 Derek Von Cannon-Afinitas  
 Justin Yard – Gulf Coast Pre-stress  
 Justin Walker-Volkert  
 Drew Scruggs-CL Dews & Sons Foundry  
 Bethany Ervin-Alfred Miller Companies  
 Quazi Rumi-McNeese University  
 Robert Taylor-SmartUp  
 Jimmy Riccio-AP Formliner  
 Scott Dull-Afinitas  
 Tommy Indest – Continental Cement  
 Brandon Hays-Sika  
 Eric Hebert-Dunham Price  
 Rusty Smith-WMC  
 Mason Morton-CarbonCure  
 Chris Ard-Gate Precast  
 Steve Isaack- ACT  
 Darrin White-Dayton Superior  
 Marty McIntyre- PCI Foundation  
 Shannon Steen-JJ Ferguson  
 Bob Risser-PCI