

DBIA Western Pacific Region Newsletter

SPRING 2010

DBIA Testifies to the CA Senate Committee

Oversight Committee invites DBIA to present on the benefits of Design/Build

WPR was invited to testify at Senator Cox's special Senate Select Committee for the extension of Design Build for Counties and for California in general.

The oversight hearing will be instrumental in formulating the Legislature's response to bills effecting design/build statutes. DBIA WPR's Board Member Barbara Wagner, senior vice president with Clark Construction Group, gave the presentation to the Senate Committee on DBIA's behalf. Committee Chair Senator Dave Cox wrote a letter of thanks for Barbara's efforts and expressed how DBIA's input will help guide the committee in the legislative process.

Senator Dave Cox created a radio address regarding the success of the hearing. [Radio Address Senator Dave Cox](#)



Barbara Wagner
Senior Vice President
Clark Construction Group
575 Anton Boulevard, Suite 1000
Costa Mesa, CA 92656

Dear Ms. Wagner:

Thank you for testifying at yesterday's oversight hearing on how counties use design-build contracting. The Committee and the public learned a lot about how county officials, contractors, and labor organizations use the state laws that control the design-build contracting method. Your presentation contributed to our hearing's success.

The Committee's staff is preparing a summary of yesterday's discussions so that legislators will have a permanent record of our hearing. Your written materials will be part of that summary. We will send you a copy of the Committee's summary report.

Yesterday's hearing is one of the factors that will shape the Legislature's response to my Senate Bill 879 and other bills that propose amendments to counties' design-build statutes. As those bills progress through the legislative process, I know that your comments and the results of the hearing will guide us.

The Committee appreciates the time and effort that you invested in preparing for yesterday's presentation.

Sincerely,

DAVE COX
Chair

DC:pmd
cc: Members, Senate Local Government Committee

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About DBIA Western Pacific Region

The Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA) is a membership organization founded in 1993 to advocate and advance single source project delivery within the design and construction community. The design-build method of project delivery embraces architecture / engineering and construction services under a single contract, thereby re-integrating the roles of designer and constructor. DBIA members include practitioners from all project phases, plus public- and private-sector project owners.

DBIA focuses its efforts on increasing the successful use of innovative design-build teams on non-residential building, civil infrastructure and process industry projects.

Western Pacific Region includes Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada. DBIA Regions allow our members to have an impact on the local design and construction community. Regional chapters provide support to members in their local markets in a variety of ways, including programs and events, legislative efforts, and owner education.

2010 Awards Program Has Begun!



The 4th Annual Project Awards Program has begun!
CALL FOR ENTRIES

INTRODUCING: New to our Region - the Distinguished Leadership Awards

Meet the New Executive Committee

[Executive Committee voted in for 2010](#)

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SECRETARY



Eric Kisshauer
Director, Business Development
Pankow Builders

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Categories include:
Owner Private Sector Owner Public Sector Industry Professional
Legislator Local Legislator State Full Time Faculty
Student

Submissions are due April 15th

SAVE THE DATE:

The 2010 Awards Banquet will be held at the beautiful Newport Beach Marriott
May 27, 2010

Sponsorship Benefits that can't be beat!
Reserve Early!
10% discount if reserved by March 15th

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2010 Sponsors To Date:

TOP SPONSOR: *Abracadabra Level*



Smoke & Mirrors Level



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DBIA has a Voice in Sacramento

Lawmakers in California win Awards - Nominated by WPR

Members of DBIA WPR presented National DBIA Distinguished Leadership Awards to three California lawmakers who were nominated for their efforts overall impact of their legislative careers. The nominations were evaluated in terms of their achievements in furthering design-build as a delivery method as demonstrated in one or more of the following areas.

- A strong and well-documented commitment to alternative delivery strategies, including design-build project delivery;
- Sponsorship or co-sponsorship of design-build enabling legislation on the federal, state or local level;
- Vocal and written advocacy of design-build and design-build best practices for use in public agencies or departments.

Awards were presented to:

Senator S. Joseph Simitian

California State Senate, 11th District

Senator Joe Simitian is a design-build innovator in California. As a member of the State Senate, Mr. Simitian was the first legislator to pass design-build laws that are workable for all public agencies. That language crafted in 2001, has been the model for subsequent design-build legislation. He also recently authored the bill that extended the sunsets on K-14 D-B legislation and provided design-build authority to all community college districts. Since Simitian's first effort in 2001, design-build authority has expanded to include cities, counties and many municipalities, making California one of the most progressive states in its use of alternative delivery methods.

Assemblyman Roger Niello

California State Assembly, 5th District

Assemblyman Roger Niello has represented citizens of Sacramento, California's 5th Assembly District since 2004, and has spent his tenure advocating for alternative delivery methods. He has authored and successfully advocated for both P3 and design-build legislation. Assemblyman Niello has also educated the public about the advantages of alternative project delivery through articles, including "A Public Private Solution to Aging Infrastructure," published in the Sacramento Bee. Now serving a third and final term, Niello serves on the Transportation, Insurance, and Business and Professions Committees and is Vice-Chair of the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee.

Senator Dave Cogdill

California State Senate, 14th District

Senator Dave Cogdill expanded design-build authority and public-private partnerships, which encourages private investment in state infrastructure projects by authorizing public-private partnerships for state transportation projects until 2017. This will help reduce the costs on state transportation projects by allowing private firms to compete for construction contracts at the lowest price. Not only will the state be able to stretch limited infrastructure dollars to the fullest under this reform, it will also mean more private-sector jobs.



L to R: Victor Sanvido, Southland Industries, DBIA Legislative Committee, Eric Kisshauer, Pankow, DBIA WPR Secretary, Praful Kulkarni, gkkworks, DBIA WPR President, Robert Hartung, ADSLLC, DBIA WPR Legislative Chair, presented the award to Senator Dave Cogdill.

Immediate Past President

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WELCOME



DBIA WPR representatives present the award to Senator Joseph Simitian.

Also in attendance was Beau Biller, of Platinum Advisors and Lobbyist for DBIA. Our group was introduced on the Assembly Floor during a session and given a round of applause from both sides of the aisle.

Student Chapter Update

Active Cal Poly Student Chapter sends a note of thanks

The DBIA Student Chapter at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo sent a note of thanks to WPR for ongoing support.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STRONG SUPPORT IN ENABLING STUDENTS, LIKE OURSELVES, TO GAIN EXPOSURE INTO THE INDUSTRY. IT IS INNOVATORS SUCH AS YOU WHO WILL HELP LEAD GENERATION Y INTO WHAT CAN TRULY BE A MORE SEAMLESS AND PURPOSEFUL BUILDING INDUSTRY. FROM ALL OF US AT CAL POLY, WE THANK YOU.

-DBIA CAL POLY STUDENT CHAPTER



DBIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

October 18-20, 2010
Caesar's Palace, Las Vegas, NV

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Click [Here](#) for Committee Chair contact information

DBIA Designation Certifications

How to Gain Career Momentum

DBIA's 2 LEVEL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Step 1: Shift It Into High Gear Assoc. DBIA™

Step 2: Accelerate Professional DBIA™

The Designated Design-Build Professional™ program is intended to create an accepted and recognized education standard for experience, professional and knowledgeable practitioners who possess a qualified and quantified level of expertise in design-build project delivery.

The program has been developed for and by professionals working on commercial, civil and process projects in the design-build arena.

CALENDAR

- March 24 - Metro Gold Line Breakfast Program, Los Angeles, CA
- April 10- Scholarship Applications Due
- April 15 - Awards Submissions Due
- April 19-21 - National Water Waste Water Conference, Dallas, TX
- April 21-23 - National Transportation Conference, Dallas, TX
- April 28 - Lunch Program, Oakland, CA
- May 3-7 - Bootcamp, Cal-Poly

Chico State Chapter leads a Design-Build Winter Community service project

As part of Blitz Build - a community service project initiated by the Construction Management Department at California State University, Chico, the DBIA Student Chapter participated in the design and building of two homes from the ground up in merely 8 days for the Catalyst Domestic Violence Shelter for battered women and families.

The planning began 8 months prior for logistics, permits, architectural designs and pre-fabrication. On January 16th, a large crew started the actual "hammering" on the site, erecting two 850-square foot homes. In order to complete the construction, volunteers from Chico State, as well as local contractors and tradesmen, rotated in two shifts.

Student Chapter member **Phil Strawn** commented on the impact of being a part of the project *"This project was truly managed by the DBIA Student Chapter. Due to the design/build process of planning as an integrated team with all parties involved. The planning went smoothly and the project completed 2 days earlier than the original 10 scheduled days. An extraordinary experience."*



Programs

March 24th: Informational Breakfast Session with the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority

Speakers include **Habib Balian**, Chief Executive Officer and **Chris Burner**, Chief Project Officer.

	24 MARCH
	24 MILES
METRO	12 STATIONS
GOLD	02 PHASES
LINE	1.3 BILLION
FOOTHILL EXTENSION	

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BREAKFAST
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2010 7:15AM - 9:30AM
MILLENIUM BILTMORE HOTEL
506 SOUTH GRAND AVENUE, LOS ANGELES

SPEAKERS: *Habib Balian*, Chief Executive Officer
Chris Burner, Chief Project Officer
for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority

AGENDA: 7:15 to 7:45AM **Networking & Breakfast**
7:45 to 9:30AM **Presentation**

Click here - [Registration](#) for registration and sponsorship information.

The Foothill Extension is a 24-mile, 12-station, \$1.2 billion extension of the Gold Line light rail line from Pasadena to Montclair. The design-build project will be constructed in two phases - Phase 2A (Pasadena to Azusa) is projected to break ground in June and be completed in 2013, and Phase 2B (Azusa to Montclair) is projected to be completed in 2017. The project will connect historic downtowns in eleven cities along the corridor, four historic depots are slated for renovation and incorporation into future stations, and a \$200 million maintenance facility is to be constructed.

2010 College Scholarship Program

The second year of the WPR Scholarship Program is in full swing. Applications are due April 10th.

May TBD - Healthcare Forum, Oakland, CA

May 27 - Awards Banquet, Newport Beach, CA



Take a Swing...

WPR Golf Tournaments benefit Student Chapters and Scholarships

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Proceeds from tournament support DBIA-WPR Student Chapters and Scholarships

Save the Date!
June 28th, 2010
Registration 12:00noon - Shotgun Start 12:00noon
(Shamble Format)

GOLF

Diablo Country Club
1700 Clubhouse Road
Diablo, CA 94528
(925) 837-4221

Raffle, Dinner & Awards to follow

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Publications

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COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS Annual Program



Working towards a design or construction related degree?
Have an interest in design build?

The Western Pacific Region of the Design Build Institute of America has partnered with gkkworks to offer 6 scholarships (\$5,000 each) to qualified students pursuing a design or construction related degree at selected universities in the western US.

Scholarships are offered to students in the Western Pacific Region (California, Arizona, Nevada & Hawaii). Award winners will be recognized at the annual Awards Program on May 27, 2010 at the Newport Beach Marriott. Applications can be found under Scholarship Application on the website [Events Calendar](#).

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