

Memorandum of Understanding

Between
Associated Schools of Construction Region 6 and Region 7
And

_____, Here for Known as, Problem Sponsoring Company
Company Name

For Application To
Regions 6 & 7 2015 Student Competition

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes a mutual agreement between the Associated Schools of Construction Region 6, Region 7, and Problem Sponsoring Company.

I. MISSION

Associated Schools of Construction Mission Statement:

The Associated Schools of Construction (ASC) is the professional association for the development and advancement of construction education, where the sharing of ideas and knowledge inspires, guides and promotes excellence in curricula, teaching, research and service.

Problem Sponsoring Company Mission Statement:

II. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to clearly identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to providing the ASC member institutions the opportunity to participate annually in a high quality, challenging, and professionally organized student competition.

The Associated Schools of Construction Regions 6 & 7 Student Competition is intended to provide students with a real world construction problem, solved as a team, within a limited amount of time. Problems provided in each category should be challenging and educational. Problems should also strive to incorporate construction industry best practices and current technologies. To support this goal, ASC Region 6 and Region 7, and Problem Sponsoring Company will conduct a competition in their specific problem category for eligible students.

Both Associated Schools of Construction Region 6 and Region 7, and Problem Sponsoring Company should ensure that the competition activities are in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations posted at the following link: <http://asc67.org/rules.html>

III. CONTACTS

Each party will appoint a person to serve as the official contact and coordinate the activities of each organization in carrying out this MOU. The initial appointees of each organization are:

Associated Schools of Construction Region 6 and Region 7

Lori A. Brown, Competition Manager
Department of Construction Management
400 West 1st Street
California State University, Chico
Chico, CA 95929
530.898.3279

Problem Sponsoring Company

_____		_____
Authorized Representative's Name		Title

Company Name		

Street Address		

_____	_____	_____
City	State	Zip

Contact Number		

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES

The organizations agree to the following tasks for this MOU:

The Associated Schools of Construction Region 6 and Region 7 will:

- Organize and conduct an annual Regional Student Competition, Construction Management Conference, and Job Fair.
- Organize and conduct an annual Summer Planning Meeting with all Problem Sponsoring company representatives.
- Promote and support the problem sponsor whenever possible in achieving the intent, spirit, and goals of the Student Competition event.

- Promote and support the ASC member institutions whenever possible in achieving the intent, spirit, and goals of the Student Competition event.
- Sign an MOU each year at the Summer Planning Meeting.
- Provide written feedback from participating faculty coaches within thirty (30) days of the competition to each problem sponsor based on input, feedback, and impressions derived from the competition.

Problem Sponsoring Company will:

- Have a company representative present at the Summer Planning Meeting with the authority to discuss and negotiate all relevant business.
- Sign an MOU, with revisions as agreed to by all parties, each year at the Summer Planning Meeting.
- Provide a pre-problem statement to the competition manager by the first Monday in October.
- Provide written feedback within thirty (30) days in an agreed format to all faculty coaches that entered a competing team.
- Not use projects built on a university campus that is home to a competing team in any problem category.
- Show no favoritism towards any individual school or team.
- Not exclusively prepare any team(s) competing in said sponsor's problem for the upcoming competition. Providing assistance to competition teams not within their problem category is permitted.
- Not serve as a coach (or assist) any team entered into their Problem Category.
- Provide only constructive criticism to students. Sponsoring Companies will never denigrate or humiliate any team or individual team member during any portion of the competition, particularly the oral presentations.
- Provide the personnel necessary to properly staff the Job Fair held on Saturday morning.
- Not conduct any concurrent activity during the Job Fair portion of the ASC Regions 6 & 7 Student Competition; this undermines the main purpose of this event.

- Be the sole sponsoring company of the Problem Category.
- Comply with the oral presentation time schedule as detailed by the competition manager. This schedule will follow 15 minute increments as agreed to during the summer planning meeting.
- Provide in writing to the competition manager (preferably by email) the team oral presentation schedule on Friday morning on or before 6:00 a.m.
- Not discuss team performance or results to anyone outside of the judging panel prior to the conclusion of the awards ceremony.
- Provide trophies to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams at the awards ceremony.
- At their discretion provide only one additional award at the awards ceremony.
- Provide award money to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams in the amounts determined at the Summer Planning Meeting and within thirty (30) days following the awards ceremony.

If Problem Category participation should fall to eight or below, the competition manager will initiate discussions with the problem sponsor to strategize on ways to increase student interest and participation in the problem the next year. If participation in a Problem Category should fall to six teams or below, the problem and/or problem sponsor may be removed or replaced the following year.

V. TERMS OF UNDERSTANDING

The term of this MOU is for a period of one year from August 22, 2014 and may be extended upon written mutual agreement. It shall be reviewed annually to ensure that it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions.

VI. MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

Failure of either party (or their representative company) to meet, attempt to meet, or rectify any issues as a result of the provisions contained in this document are subject to being released of their obligations/privileges related to the ASC Regions 6 & 7 Student Competition Event.

This agreement may be cancelled or terminated without cause by either party by giving thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice and at least ninety (90) days prior to the upcoming competition to the other party. Such notification shall state the effective date of termination or cancellation.

Any and all amendments to the MOU will be proposed and discussed at the next year's Summer Planning meeting for consideration to include in the next year's MOU.

VII. AUTHORIZATION

The signing of this MOU is not a formal undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in the MOU.

On behalf of the organization I represent, I wish to sign this MOU and contribute to its further development.

Signatures and Date

Associated Schools of Construction Region 6 and Region 7

Scott Glick, Region 6 Director

Philip L. Barlow, Region 7 Director

Lori A. Brown, Competition Manager

Date

Problem Sponsoring Company

Authorized Representative for Problem Sponsoring Company

Date